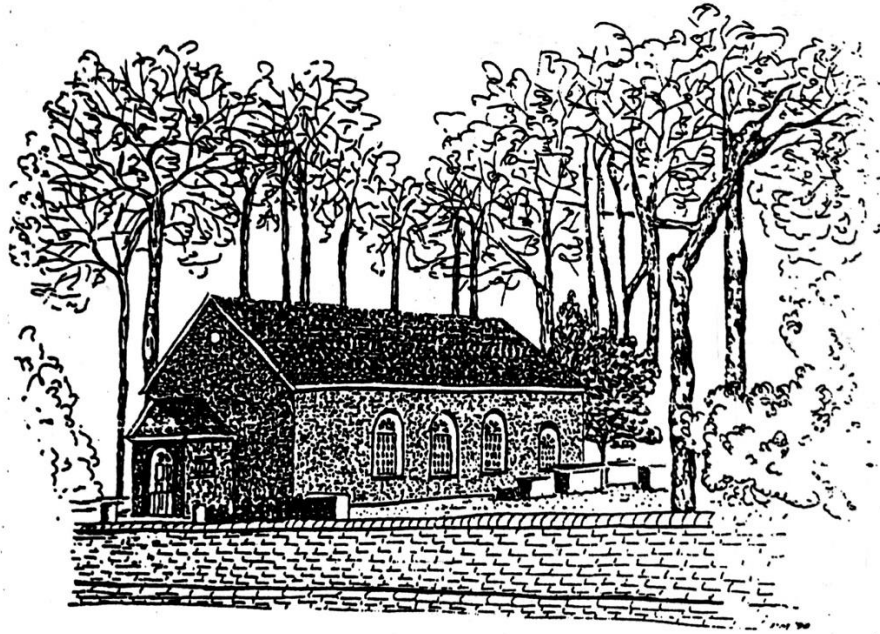


*The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Daily Morning Prayer: Rite II  
and Communion from Reserved Sacrament*



*Christ Church Parish, Saluda, VA  
(Episcopal)  
Founded 1666*

*Sunday, August 29, 2021*



*Then follows*

## **The Psalm Appointed**

**Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10**

*Eructavit cor meum*

- 1 My heart is stirring with a noble song;  
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; \*  
**my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.**
- 2 You are the fairest of men; \*  
**grace flows from your lips,  
because God has blessed you for ever.**
- 7 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, \*  
**a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;  
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.**
- 8 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you \*  
**with the oil of gladness above your fellows.**
- 9 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, \*  
**and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.**
- 10 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; \*  
**on your right hand is the queen,  
adorned with the gold of Ophir.**

*At the end of the Psalms is said*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

### **A Reading from Deuteronomy (4:1-2, 6-9)**

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am

setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

**Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah**    (*said in unison*)      *Ecce, Deus*

*Isaiah 12:2-6*

**Surely, it is God who saves me; \***

**I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \***

**and he will be my Savior.**

**Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \***

**from the springs of salvation.**

**And on that day you shall say, \***

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

**Make his deeds known among the peoples; \***

**see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \***

**and this is known in all the world.**

**Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \***

**for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \***

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**A Reading from the letter to James (1:17-27)**

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at

themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

**Canticle 19 The Song of the Redeemed** (*said in unison*) *Magna et mirabilia*

*Revelation 15:3-4*

**O ruler of the universe, Lord God,  
great deeds are they that you have done, \*  
surpassing human understanding.  
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \*  
O King of all the ages.**

**Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,  
and sing the praises of your Name? \*  
for you only are the Holy One.**

**All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \*  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**A Reading from the Gospel According to Mark (7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)**

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching

human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

The Word of the Lord.

*People*        ***Thanks be to God.***

## **The Sermon**

Fr. Stuart Clary Wood

## **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **The Prayers**

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            ***And also with you.***

*Officiant*        Let us pray.

## **Suffrage A**

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. ***And grant us your salvation.***
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. ***Let your people sing with joy.***
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. ***For only in you can we live in safety.***
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. ***And guide us in the way of justice and truth.***
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. ***Your saving health among all nations.***
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. ***Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. ***And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.***

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects*

### **The Collect of the Day**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### **A Collect for Grace**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **A Collect for Mission**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

**Hymn 414** *“God, my King, thy might confessing”*

## **Authorized prayers and intercessions**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Susan, Jennifer, and Porter our bishops, Stuart our Rector, Peg our Deacon, and Bob our Priest Associate. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for all Sunday School teachers and Youth Leaders.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for those who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Steve Gahan, Andrew Wilton, Jackie Brown, and Marion Goodloe; and those celebrating their anniversaries: Chip & Mary Buxton, Jeff & Susie Loustaunau, and Tom & Kathy Clarke.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***



Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; we pray for all who suffer from COVID-19 in our community and throughout the world, for their families and caregivers, and for those who mourn; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

*The Officiant ends with a closing Collect.*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **Confession of Sin**

*The Deacon says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together.*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,**

**and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.***

*The Officiant says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

### **The Peace**

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### **Offertory**

## **COMMUNION FROM RESERVED SACRAMENT**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

As our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Facing the people, the Officiant says the following Invitation*

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Communion Hymn 574**     *“Before thy throne, O God, we kneel”*

### **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*The Officiant says*

Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn 344**     *“Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing”*

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**                     *“Passacaglia”*

Gordon Young

## **Participants in the service**

The Rev. Stuart C. Wood – Officiant and Sermon

The Rev. Deacon Peg Moncure

Debbie Davis – Organist

Grace Parker – Lector

Jean Holt – Eucharistic Minister

Nicole Davis – Crucifer / Acolyte

Ushers – Linda Irwin, & Nancy Campbell

Altar Guild – Cean Cawthorn, Barbara Shaw, Lydia Dudley, & Grace Parker

Flower Guild – Cean Cawthorn, and Ashton Respress

Tech Team – Greg Grichtmeier, Ann de Peyster, Mike Floyd, Mike Gorin, & Jack Fackler.

**The mid-week Eucharist is celebrated on Wednesday mornings in the Parish Hall Chapel at 9:00 a.m.**

[For the next couple of weeks, we are asking for monetary donations for relief work in Haiti following the devastating earthquake that has caused widespread destruction. Haiti is home to more than 93,000 Episcopalians. Please make checks out to Christ Church Parish and in the memo write “Haiti relief.” We will then send a check to “Episcopal Relief and Development” for use in Haiti. Thank you.]