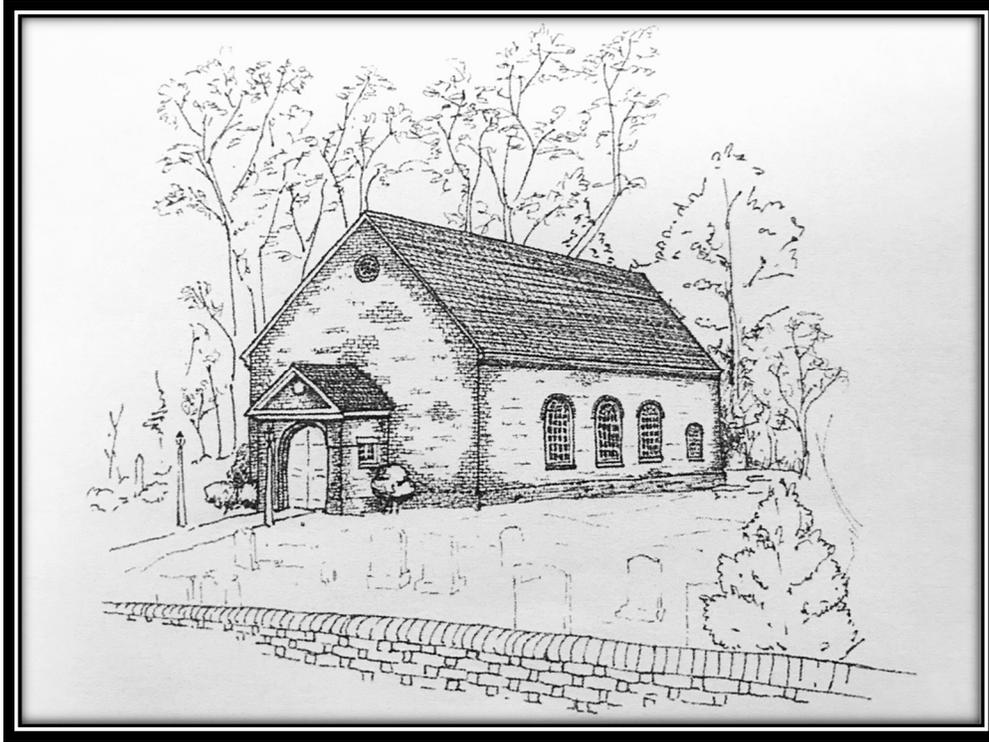


*Welcome to Christ Church Parish  
(Episcopal)  
February 11, 2024  
10:30 a.m.  
The Last Sunday After the Epiphany*



*Founded in 1666*

*Before the service, speak to God in the silence of your heart.  
During the service, let God speak to you through  
Word and Sacrament.  
After the service, speak with your neighbor!*

**Christ Church Parish Mission Statement**

*We are a family of faith,  
growing in Christ through worship, learning, and  
service, who strive to love God  
and to love our neighbors as ourselves.*

The Last Sunday After the Epiphany  
Holy Eucharist: Rite II – February 11, 2024

*The Transfiguration signals that the time of our conversion is at hand.*

Opening Voluntary      Trio in “*Carlisle*”      David Blackwell  
*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones – Lasst Uns Erfreuen*      Paul Manz  
Processional Hymn 135      *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*  
Opening Sentences      BCP Page 355  
The Gloria (S-278)

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day (*Last Sun. after the Epiphany*)      BCP Page 217  
First Lesson      2 Kings 2:1-12  
Psalm 50:1-6      BCP Page 654  
Second Lesson      2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
Sequence Hymn 7      *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*  
Gospel      Mark 9:2-9  
The Sermon      The Rev. Stuart Clary Wood  
The Nicene Creed      BCP Page 358  
The Prayers of the People: Form V      BCP Page 389  
The Confession and Absolution      BCP Page 360  
The Peace      BCP Page 360  
Offertory Anthem      *O Light of Light*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Officiant*      Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church,  
the hearts of your people joined in praise and  
thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer B      BCP Page 367  
Sanctus (S-128)      BCP Page 367  
The Lord's Prayer      BCP Page 364

Breaking of the Bread:

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

*All*      **Though we are many, we are one body, because we  
all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion:

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of  
the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Communion Voluntary    Variations on *Ratisbon*    Davis Paxton  
Post Communion Hymn 333    *Now the Silence*  
The Prayer of Thanksgiving    BCP Page 365  
The Blessing  
Recessional Hymn 618    *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*  
The Dismissal: Go in the peace of Christ.  
*People       Thanks be to God.*  
Closing Voluntary    *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*    Aaron Shows

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

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The First Lesson**

**2 Kings 2:1-12**

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## Psalm 50:1-6

*Deus deorum*

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
**he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.**
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
**God reveals himself in glory.**
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
**before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.**
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
**to witness the judgment of his people.**
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
**those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."**
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
**for God himself is judge.**

## The Epistle

## 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## The Gospel

## Mark 9:2-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

## **Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:**

Those on our Prayer List: Lindsay Adkins, Jack Tarran, Helen Tarran, Tom Cockrell, Mike Gorin, Betty Evans, Ann Donoff, Zubin, Taylor Johnson, Shannon Budd, Lori Rexinger, Br. Christopher Hamlett, Joanne Bruce, Lucille Redmon, Jennifer Montague, Jean Crown Hodges, Cole Sullivan, Keith Callis, Trip Poates, Colt Johnson, Lovey Jane Long, Tim Schwartz, and Mary Breedon.

We give thanks to those celebrating their birthdays this week: Katherine Humphreys, and Virginia Miller; and those celebrating anniversaries: Harold Johnson & Diane Martin.

We pray for our Parish Discernment Committee as they carry on their work.

We pray for our Diocese and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and parishioners of St. Peter's in the Woods – Fairfax Station.

**ASH Wednesday will be observed  
at 12:30 p.m. in the church.**

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