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# The Collect of the Day

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# **The First Lesson**

# 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalm 20

The Epistle

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

# The Gospel

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we

#### 1 May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, \* the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

2 Send you help from his holy place \* and strengthen you out of Zion; 3 Remember all your offerings \* and accept your burnt sacrifice; 4 Grant you your heart's desire \* and prosper all your plans. 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God; \* may the Lord grant all your requests. 6 Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; \* he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right hand. 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, \* but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God. 8 They collapse and fall down, \* but we will arise and stand upright. 9 0 Lord, give victory to the king \*

and answer us when we call.

#### 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

# Mark 4:26-34

compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large

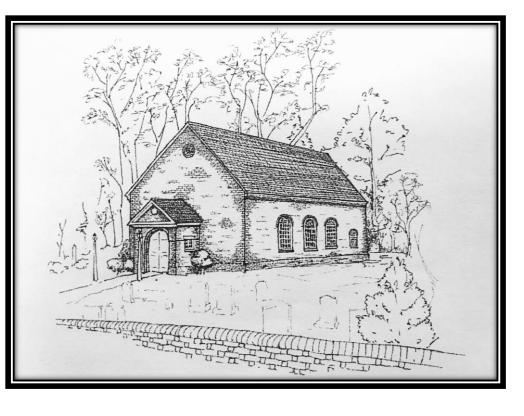
branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

### The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Parish Hall Chapel each Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

We give thanks with those who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Roxie Jones 6/13, Beverly Barnhardt 6/13, Janie Allen 6/14, Anne Lewis 6/14, Arthur Wilton 6/14, and Amy Schacht 6/16.

We give thanks with those who are celebrating their anniversaries this week: Rich & Anne Donoff 6/13, Rusty & Tonya Spears 6/15, and Jim & Lydia Dudley 6/19.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and parishioners of Christ Church – Alexandria, St. John's – Tappahannock, and St. Paul's – Hanover.



# Welcome to Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) June 13, 2021 10:30 a.m. The Third Sunday after Pentecost

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.