Christ Episcopal/Anglican Church

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The 14th Sunday of Pentecost - Proper 16 (Year C) August 21st, 2016



The entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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Mission Statement:

"In the Name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, we are a community of believers who are united in purpose to love and serve the Lord, to seek to do what is just and right and good, and to restore all people to God and each other in Christ."

PARISH LEADERS

Vestry

Senior Warden, Charles Bethel
Junior Warden, Andrea Honore`
Clerk, Alice Eason
Treasurer, Kimberley Bradshaw
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Heads of Organizations

The Order of the Daughters of the King, Ollie Taylor
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Sunday School, Fredericka Brown
Retirees, Fredericka Brown

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Altar Guild, Willie Mae Bethel
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St. Cecilia's Guild, Mary Jessie
St. Luke's Guild
St. Margaret's Guild, Vernon Brooks
St. Paul's Guild, Violet Giles

St. Theresa's Guild, Andrea Honore`
Ushers' Guild, Robert Wilder
Young Episcopal Stewards

Welcome to Christ Episcopal Church!!

The Clergy and Members of this church welcome all of you today. We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us and sincerely hope you will receive a blessing from the service.

Dear Friends, when we enter this sacred place, let our conversation with each other cease. Take time in the silence before the Eucharist begins to make the transition from "getting here" to "being here".

Let us center ourselves and focus on the reality of The Living God Who is in our midst. Take these moments to recall the troubles, achievements, and gifts of grace of the past week. With thanks for our strengths and resources, offer our needs and cares in this holy place.

Let us remember all who have lived and worshipped here, all who have brought us to this time. As the community gathers may we sense the Spirit. May we be prepared to give and to receive. May we be blessed by our time here.



Prayer(s) upon entering church:

O Lord our God, we humbly beseech thee to purify our hearts from all vain and sinful thoughts, and so to prepare us to worship thee acceptably, with reverence and godly fear; for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We come in all our diversity and needs, Lord, searching, hoping, praying, seeking again the light and love that drew us here in other days, that makes us long for the courts of our God and there find home. **Amen.**

Father, on this sacred day we come into your presence knowing that you are never far from us. Yet here in this sacred place we long to find you more fully that you may lift us up into a new faith in you and a new vision of what you are about with us. For the dark hours come when questions arise concerning you, and doubts throng in. O God, from whose great reservoir of goodness these streams flow, make us more certain about you, until today, we too shall say, "The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" In this faith lift us to a new courage. **Amen.**

Prayer(s) before leaving church:

Accept, O Lord, the praise we bring to you; pardon the imperfections of our worship; write upon our hearts your holy word; and give us grace to love and serve and praise you all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



This Bulletin is intended for you to take away, to think and to pray over, and to share with others. Spare copies can be obtained from the ushers or the clergy. If you are visiting or if you are looking for a church home, please be sure to complete a visitor's card before you leave. The ushers will be happy to give you one.



From the Rector's Desk Are you seeking to fulfill God's plans??



"⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ⁵ 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

- Jeremiah 1:4-5

In our First Lesson for today, the Church has given us the story of the call of the Prophet Jeremiah for reflection. The role of the prophet was and is very important to God's plan for the salvation of mankind. Prophets were tasked firstly with intimately and extensively knowing and understanding God's Word and Will. Next prophets needed to be both bold and obedient in answering God's call to tell those who had strayed from His ways that they had done so, and warn them of the consequences of their actions. God has and still uses prophets today to steer us individually and collectively away from sin and destruction back to the path of obedience and righteousness.

Can you imagine what our world or the church would be like if people like Jeremiah and others did not fulfill God's plan for their lives. If you read your Old Testament Lesson for today you would see that Jeremiah tried to make excuses out of fear and feelings of inadequacy, but God assured him that He was 'with him to deliver him'. After God touched him and put His words in His mouth, Jeremiah went on to be a mighty Prophet.

As we reflect on Jeremiah's call, we are challenged to look at our own lives and ask ourselves if we are still making excuses and/or afraid, or if we are seeking to fulfill God's plan for our lives. God does have a plan for us individually and collectively, but it hinges on our willingness to submit ourselves in faith and love to Him.

If you were to honestly do an assessment of what you put your effort and energies into, and ask yourself what you worry and complain about, what would your answers have to do with God's plans? All the gifts and skills you possess, and every blessing you have received came from Him. Why not devote them and yourself to Him and His plans?

The Solemn Sung Eucharist of The 14^h Sunday of Pentecost - Proper 16

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Jonathan Archer

Prelude: "Prelude in F"	(by Alexandre Gilmant)
Introit Hymn: "The Church's one foundation"	525 HYMNAL
The Acclamation	BCP 355
The Collect For Purity	BCP 355
The Kyrie	BCP 356
The Gloria	
Collect of the Day	

rant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Reader: A reading from the book of Jeremiah, chapter 1, verses 4-10.

^{1:4}Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." ⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
 let me never be a shamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; * incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; * you are my crag and my stronghold.

- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
 from the clutches of the evil doer and the op pressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O'Lörd'GOD, *
 my'confidence since'I was'young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; * my praise shall be always of you.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * As it was in the be ginning, is now, * and to the Holy Spirit: and will be for ever. Almen.

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews, chapter 12, verses 18 - 29.

^{12:18}You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death."²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the spirikled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17Priest

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, the

13th chapter, beginning at the 10th verse.

All: Glory to you Lord Christ.

^{13:10}Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon:	Fr. Jonathan Archer
Nicene Creed:	BCP 358
Confession of Sins.	BCP 359
Prayers of the People: Form I: (Aaron Latty)	BCP 383
Absolution & Peace	

OFFERTORY

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Anthem: "Just a Little Talk with Jesus"	(Summer Choir)
Offertory Hymn: "Glorious things of thee are spoken,"	523 HYMNAL

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Great Thanksgiving Prayer [Eucharistic Prayer B]	BCP 361
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Fraction	
Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)	LEV II 270

Communion:

NB: Visitors who normally take Communion in their own Churches are invited to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ in this Church, if they so desire.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"Here I am Lord"	Inside Cover of LEV II
"Just as I am, without one plea,"	693 HYMNAL
"Deck thyself, my soul with gladness,"	
"Higher Ground"	165 LEV II

"I Must Tell Jesus"	66 LEV 11
Post Communion Prayer:	BCP 365/366
Blessing	
Notices & Announcements	
Post Communion Hymn: "Rock of ages, cleft for me,"	685 HYMNAL
"God be with You"	
Dismissal	
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Let us pray...

For members of our church who are confined to home

There are many people in our church who because of their illness are confined to home and are in need of our prayers. It is our Christian duty to pray for and visit the sick and confined.

<u>Sisters:</u> Donna Baptiste, Ellen Bethel, Johnnie M. Culmer, Viola Culmer, Helena Curry, Alexine DeLancy, Ethel Fife, Princess Lamb, Charlie Mae McKellar, Hattie Wright & Marion Culmer Wright.

Brothers: Benjamin Gibson, Richard Howell, Sr., Philip Roberts & Garfield White.

For members of our church and the wider community who have requested our prayers

There are also many people in our church and community who are sick and/or in need of our prayers. Here is a list of persons to whom you might also add a bit of sunshine by a call, a card, or a visit.

<u>Sisters:</u> Alvetia Anderson, Lorraine Bethel, Elnora Boyd, Juliette Brewster, Doris Brown, Mary Cambridge, Orie Clarke, Mary Lindsay Dixon, Vernette DuPuch, Pansy Graham, Ernestine Hudson, Lynette Latty, Sharon Lindsay, Dorothy McCoy, Roslyn Poole, Margaret Robbins, Darlene Robinson, Robyn Stringer, Lexie Taylor, Sandra Tucker, Yvonne Vinson & Dr. Freddie Young.

Brothers: Trevis Abner, William Donald Christie, Donald Clark, Willie C. Daniels, Lazarius T. Johnson & Nathaniel Thompson.

Oftentimes we ask for persons to be placed on the prayer list and forget to have them removed as necessary. Please contact the Rector to have names inserted or deleted when necessary. Thank you for your cooperation.

With thanksgiving for the life, work, and witness, and repose of the souls of those whose deaths we remember this week

Lubbie Allen, David A. Gardner, Marion Fife, Glenn Stevenson, Kenard Francis, Eren L. Smith & Elizabeth Williams.

May they Rest in Peace!

For those preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation of Confirmation Vows

Jordan Ahmedi, Diane Alexander, Dorothy Alexander, N'Lyssa Bullard, Sanai Clark, Beyonce Davis, Bryce Davis, Shena Hamilton, Andrea Honoré, Antavius Howell, Eryn Latty, Danny Olgetree, Jodye Scavella, Rachad Wildgoose Jr., Amir Williams, & Shaylon Wilson.

We pray that their hearts and minds may be opened, so that they might grow in God's grace, knowledge and love, and be strengthened in God's service.

For members of our church who are members in the armed forces

There are members of our congregation who are serving God and country in the armed forces: Richard Howell, Jr., Ronald McKinney, Jr.,
Stacy White & Rashad Williams.

Let us pray peace, their well-being, and for their safe return to us.

For members of our church who are away in school, college or university

Let us remember in our prayers those persons who have left us to pursue higher education:

Vernon A. Brooks, Davon Clark, Deveni Gibson, Deisha Giles, Ijah Lundy, Brooke Spratling & Jasmine White.

Let us pray both for their safety and success.

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week...

<u>Birthdays</u>: Larry A. Dawkins, Mary McDaniel, Janet Culmer, Bryana V. Springer, Louis Cardoso, Kent Lightbourn, Tahj D. Coney, Rosalina Bello, Garfield T. White, Robert Riley, Bonnie Hepburn, Keith Nelson, Rev. Cyril White, Sr., Nancy Berry, Ellen Gandy, Lacie Cousin, Tony Clark & Edeane Stirrup.

Anniversaries: Joseph & Helen Brown and Alonzo & Janet Culmer.

Let us pray: O God, in whom we live and move and have our being: we give you hearty thanks for the preservation of your servants from the beginning of their lives until this day. Grant we humbly pray, that as those celebrating birthdays, grow in age and those celebrating wedding anniversaries, grow in marital bliss may they also grow in grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

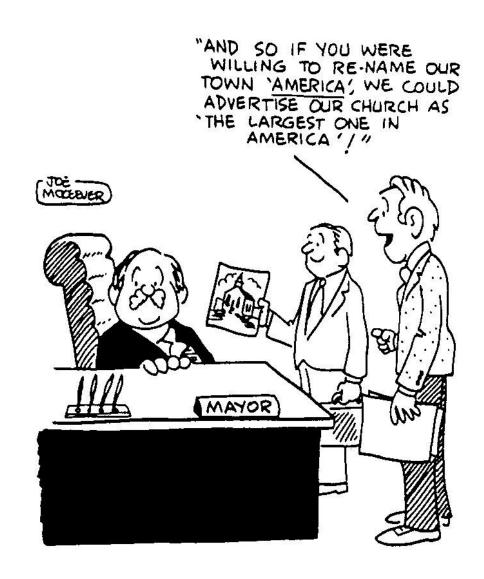


In thanksgiving to God...

Flowers in the sanctuary are given in memory of **Ellen Bain** for her natal anniversary and the anniversary of her death by Marjorie Woods, Brenda Smith and her god-daughter, Sandra Martin.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given in memory of Verneka Silva by her family.





Notices and Announcements

Saints(s) and Celebration(s) this Week

Wednesday, August 24th is the Feast of **St. Bartholomew, Apostle**.

Church Men Football Season Kick-off Give Away

What: Football Season Give Away When: Sunday, August 28th, 2016

Where: Gibson Hall

Cost: \$2.00 each or three (3) for \$5.00

1st Prize 32" Flat Screen TV 2nd Prize \$50.00 3rd Prize \$25.00

Winner need not be present!

Church Membership Update

During the month of August we are updating our church records. This is in an effort to do the ensure that we have current contact information for all of our members. This is important in case we need to contact you or send you information. All members of the church are asked to ensure that they have filled out a "Membership Information Form" and have had their picture taken. Forms are available from Dr. McKenzie before or after service.

Additionally, all members of the church who have filled out a form and have access to the internet can see and update their own information and see a record of their giving by logging on to https://onrealm.org/. If you have not registered, you may do so by clicking "Register" at https://onrealm.org/ChristEpiscopalCG/SignIn.

Every year, we are required to send membership statistics to the National Office, and it is important that we know and submit the correct information. We are also updating our records to ensure our information is correct.

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

Please note the following as it relates to the different types of membership:

MEMBER of the Church (Canon I.17.1 of the Episcopal Church)

"All persons who have received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, whether in this Church or in another Christian Church, and whose Baptisms have been duly recorded in this Church," are members thereof. (Canon I.17.1)

COMMUNICANT MEMBER of the Church (Canon I.17.2a of the Episcopal Church)

"All members of this Church who have received Holy Communion in this Church at least three times during the preceding year are to be considered communicants of this Church."

<u>COMMUNICANT IN GOOD STANDING MEMBER of the Church (Canon I.17.3 of the Episcopal Church)</u>

"All communicants of this Church who for the previous year have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God, are to be considered communicants in good standing."

(Note: In order for the church to know that you are contributing to the church you must have an envelope number.)

These different definitions are important for all of us to know and understand, as they affect our participation in the life and work of the church.

For example, OFFICIALLY/TECHNICALLY in order to be a Lay Minister, Eucharistic Minister, or a member of the Vestry, or to have voice and vote at our annual meeting you must be a Communicant Member in Good Standing.

Also, if a person is a Communicant in Good Standing, he/she is afforded certain discounts on fees and services associated with the Church.

OUR STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The statistics that are sent to the National Church considers Active Baptized Members which the national Church Defines as:

"Any person whose baptism is recorded in the Register of Church Membership and Rites (Parish Register) and contributes to or participates in the worship and communal life of the reporting congregation, regardless of how much or how little, should be considered active and counted in this report."

According to their records there have been over 500 active members of the church annually for a number of years. While there are probably over 500 members on the baptismal roll, we do not have that many Active Baptized Members.

In order to correct these Statistics, we are asking everyone to:

- 1. Pray about your membership in the life and work of your church and commit to becoming/being a Communicant Member in Good Standing.
- 2. Fill out a "Membership Information Form".
- 3. Consider Tithing/Pledging to the church if you are not already doing so, and if not stay tuned for our annual appeal for members to fill out pledge cards and receive Offering Envelopes.

If you have any questions about any of the information found here please contact the Rector—

Word Search Puzzle

Directions: Find the words in the list below, taken from our Eucharistic readings appointed for Sunday's Service:

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Suggested Bible Readings for the Week



Monday

Morning	Evening
Psalm 1, 2, 3	Psalm 4, 7
Job 4:1; 5:1-11, 17-21, 26-27	Acts 9:19b-31

John 6:52-59

Tuesday

Morning Evening
Psalm 5, 6
Psalm 10, 11
Job 6:1-4, 8-15, 21
Acts 9:32-43

John 6:60-71

Wednesday

 Morning
 Evening

 Psalm 119:1-24
 Psalm 12, 13, 14

 Job 6:1;7:1-21
 Acts 10:1-16

John 7:1-13

Thursday

MorningEveningPsalm 18:1-20Psalm 18:21-50Job 8:1-10, 20-22Acts 10:17-33-40

John 7:14-36

Friday

 Morning
 Evening

 Psalm 16, 17
 Psalm 22

 Job 9:1-15, 32-35
 Acts 10:34-48

John 7:37-52

Saturday

Morning
Psalm 20, 21:1-7(8-14)
Job 9:1; 10:1-9, 16-22
Psalm 110:1-5(6-7), 116, 117
Acts 11:1-18

John 8:12-20

[&]quot;All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."

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7 Pentecost 12	∞	9	10	11	12	13
14 Pentecost 13	15 St. Mary the Virgin	16	17	18	19	20
Pentecost 14	22	23	24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle	25	26	27
Pentecost 15 ECM Give Away	29	30	31	Notes		

There will be no Mid day Mass until Wednesday, September 7th, 2016

There will be no Bible Study until Wednesday, September 7th, 2016

There will be no Sunday School until Sunday, September 11th, 2016

There will be no Confirmation classes until Sunday, September 11th, 2016

Eucharistic Readings for August 28th 2016 Pentecost 15 Proper 17(Year C)

(Liturgical Color –Green)

Readings Reader

The Old Testament: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Brenda Smith

Psalm: Psalm 81:1, 10-16 Insert

Epistle: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Dianne Williams

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14 Priest

Intercessions: Form II Hiram Williams

Corporate Communion: Corporate Communion will resume September 4th

Schedule of Weekday Events

WEEKDAY SERVICES / EVENTS

Day	Time	Event
1 st Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Episcopal Church Men
3 rd Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Vestry
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Retirees Meeting
Wednesday	12:05 p.m.	Said Eucharist, Hymns & Sermon
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mondays	11:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Tuesdays	3:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Thursdays	3:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.