# CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1 DECEMBER 2024

## WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

We extend a welcome to all visitors who are worshipping with us today. Christ Church is truly a beautiful edifice, erected and appointed to the Greater Glory of Almighty God. Herein you find all things in their proper place; everything focused toward the Altar, the center of our worship. The windows in the Nave depict some of the fathers of the early Church, both English and Latin. The Rood shows our Savior, robed as a Priest, with the right hand in Blessing. The Chapel forms a quiet restful spot where, before the Blessed Sacrament, one may kneel in supplication and reverence. We are proud of our worshipful Church and invite you to share its benefit. Come in, rest, pray apart from the world. Surely God is in His Holy Temple.

All who confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, have been baptized in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, are repentant of their sins and believe the Blessed Sacrament to be the true Body and Blood of Christ are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. We hope that you will enter fully into worship by joining in the prayers, responses, and hymns. Because our worship may be unfamiliar to those not raised in the Episcopal Church, feel free to ask the assistance of those around you in following and participating in the liturgy. If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship, and service. Please sign the guest register at the church entrance so we may have a record of your visit.

**Restrooms** are located in the Parish House and are accessible through the double doors by the pulpit or by exiting through main doors and accessing the Parish House by way of the side office door. **A Baby Changing Station** is located in the accessible bathroom in the Parish Hall. **A restroom for small children** is located in the nursery at the far end of the Parish House.

**Pastoral Emergencies** such as sickness, hospitalization, or the death of a loved one should be directed to Fr. Matt at 732.859.5823. Father is happy to respond to your needs even if you are not a parishioner, so please do not hesitate to call.

**The AED** is located to the left of the door to the parish office.

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## The Five Traditional Precepts of the Church

- 1. Attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- 2. Confession of serious sin at least once a year.
- 3. Reception of the Blessed Sacrament at least once a year.
- 4. Observance of the days of fasting and abstinence.
- 5. Providing for the needs of the Church.

#### **At Christ Church**

- 1. Share the joy and strength found in Christ with others.
- 2. Be present at the Mass unless prevented by travel, illness, or condition.
- 3. Support the Parish with time, talent, and treasure.
- 4. Find community in the mission and ministry of the Parish.
- 5. Show Christ in the world by being of service to others.

## 5:30 P.M. VIGIL MASS

The Vigil Mass follows the form found in the Chapel Booklet

## 8:00 A.M. LOW MASS

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INTENTIONS OF THE MASS	
Ŋ. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord	
R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.	
	ice.
R. Amen.	
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## THE LAST GOSPEL

- V. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.
- R. Glory be to thee, O Lord
- V. ...full of grace and truth.
- R. Thanks be to God.

#### 10:00 A.M. SUNG MASS

The page numbers refer to pages in the red 1979 Book of Common Prayer found in your pew. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1940.

ORGAN Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

J. S. Bach (1865-1750)

**INROIT** 

Deus meus, in te confido, non erubescam: neque irrideant me inimici mei: etenim universi, qui te exspectant, non confundentur. Vias tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi: et semitas tuas edoce me. Gloria Patri...Ad te levavi...

NTO thee lift I up my soul: my God in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded: neither let mine enemies triumph over me: for all they that look for thee shall not be ashamed. Shew me thy ways, O Lord: and teach me thy paths. Glory be...Unto thee lift I up...

OPENING SALUTATION & RESPONSE COLLECT FOR PURITY & SUMMARY OF THE LAW KYRIE *Hymnal* 747 PROPER COLLECT

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The Congregation is seated for the Lesson and Psalm.

LESSON Zechariah 14:4-9

PSALM 50:1-6 Deus deorum



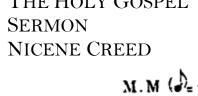
THE LORD, even the Most Mighty · God hath spoken, \* and called the world from the rising up of the sun unto the · going down thereof.

- 2 Out of Sion hath · God appeared \* in · perfect beauty.
- 3 Our God shall come and shall not keep silence; \* there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.
- 4 He shall call the · heaven from above, \* and the earth, that he may · judge his people.
- 5 Gather my saints to gether unto me; \* those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.
- 6 And the heavens shall de clare his righteousness; \* for · God is Judge himself.

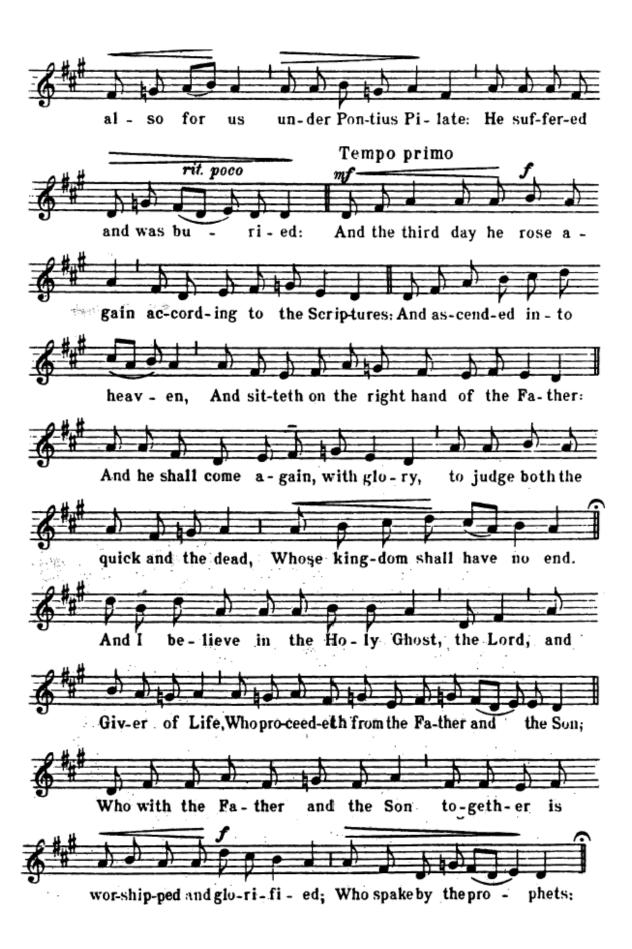
EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

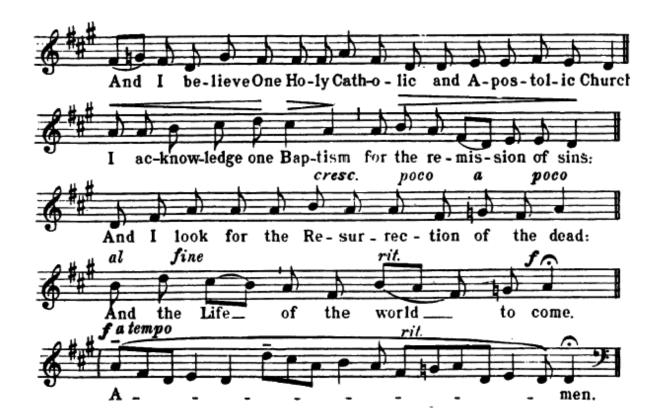
The Congregation stands for Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

Mr. Paul Smith









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THE PEACE The people may greet one another in the Name of the Lord with a bow or wave.

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## OFFERTORY - O Thou the Central Orb

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Ordaining counsel, As Thy sight gives measur'd grace to each, Thy power to prove. Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all shall feel eternal day in fellowship with Thee, transforming day to souls ere while unclean, now pure within. Amen.

HYMN 9 – Hark, a Thrilling Voice

Merton

SURSUM CORDA Hymnal 734

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS Hymnal 748/799

Sowerby

The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal 722

AGNUS DEI Hymnal 749

Sowerby

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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## COMMUNION Dominus dabit

OMINUS dabit benignitatem: et terra nostra dabit fructurum suum.

The Lord shall shew lovingkindness: and our land shall give her increase.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 544 – Thy Kingdom Come, O God	S. Cecilia
The Congregation kneels through the Dismissal.	
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The Congregation stands for the Last Gospel.

#### THE LAST GOSPEL

- V. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.
- R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.
- V. ...full of grace and truth.
- R. Thanks be to God.

HYMN 2 – O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

ORGAN Improvisation on 'Veni Emmanuel'



## **PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS**

The flowers that decorate the church this week are given in loving memory of Geraldine Walls Spady, Judy Collom, Nancy Walls, and Richard Collom Jr.

The Fritz-Weitzel Sacramental Candle in the Lady Chapel is given in celebration of the birthday of Kristen Fritz.

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#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the sick: Margerie Graverner Blair, Mary Beth Carver Tallman, Vicky Barbos, Betty Slaper, Richard Mueller, Donna Preston, Michael Tunney, Suzanne Previti, Alannah Aldea, The Rev. Donald Muller, Wendy Goldstein, Suzette Mansell, Gail Petricek, Susan Preston, Angelo Cipriano, Ryan Wiese, Amelia Sciortino, Kimberlee McCafferty, Mark Goldstein, Roseann Walder, Dave Mohr, Fran Sutter, Christine Fritz, Theresa Abitz, Robert Abitz, Walt Fell, Ellen Murphy, James Tucker, Joseph Carson III, Bruce Kwietnieski-Casais, Reagon Condron, Russell Childs, Lisa Jones, Patty MacAllister, Scott O'Brien, John Miosz, Sava Nedic, Walter Easley, John Haney, Sharon Kedzierski, Kathy Buckland, Daryl Albury, Val Jackson, Alexander Ounjian, Michele Hartpence, and Renee Formica.

and those who have long term illnesses: Dennis Russell, Jeffrey McCafferty Richard Mueller, Christiana Carty, Dawn Applegate, Barbara Sury, Paul Sootkoos, Caroline Tucker, Donna Fritz, Stephen Vigh, Mark Casais, Christine Nicosia, Kevin Kintner, Anna Sury, Earl Reading, Dixon Leavers, Zachary Birnbaum, Shelly Eberhart, Gary Rutherford, Alice Ward Carriger, Ryan Murray, Justin McCafferty, Zachary McCafferty, Kelly Bergen, Hannah McNinch, Mackenzie Sutter, Daniel Applegate, Jennifer Vigh, Jonathan Okeson, Mary Dallmann, Bob Bernard, Pat Temple, Danielle Morgan, Jai Autar, Emma Burris, Gloria Jones, Kelley Gilger, Lori Forenson, Michael Chahanovich, Sister Angela, Dee Watkins, Marge Lee, Robert Fritz, Lynn Muller, Irene Fithian, Brianne Nicosia, Jennifer Millar, Kathy Gabel, Sean Higgins, and Kelly Zsenak.

and for those in military service: Ben Skarzynski, USMC; Chris Neal, USN; Jacob Foerter; USAFR; Nickolas George USMC, Kevin Preston USAR.

celebrating a birthday this week: Patricia Ciaccio, Marlene Mohr, Anna McElmoyl, Abigail Bayzath, Dylan Marsh, Kevin Kintner, Emilee D'Angelo, and Emre Avunduk

Anyone may contact the office with names of those who are ill and/or hospitalized for inclusion in our prayers. Names will remain on the list for a maximum of four weeks unless we are notified that they should remain for a longer period.

If you would like to include loved ones in the Altar Flower or Sacramental Candle dedications, please contact the Church Office. The donation for flowers is \$50; the donation for the Sacramental candle is \$10.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Join us on the First and Second Sundays in Advent at 9am in the Parish Hall for discussions on the Advent and Christmas seasons. We will explore the Scripture and Traditions that inform what we do and how we do it during these seasons.

THE ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP PACKET AND FINANCIAL INTENTION CARD for our support of Christ Church in 2025 was distributed to all households on our mailing list. Please return the card as soon as possible, as the Vestry is charged with creating and approving an operating budget for 2025 in the next few weeks. Extra pledge cards are located on the table at the back entrance of the church.

**NOMINATIONS:** In preparation for our 2025 Parish Annual Meeting, names are being submitted to the nominating committee. Terms will be ending for the Senior Warden, four Vestry posts including a one-year unexpired term, all Diocesan Convention delegates and alternates, as well as our Convocation representatives. Suggestions of names to be considered for the proposed slate may be directed to Father Matt or Mary Ellen Carty, 609-298-4337.

ADVENT PAGEANT AND PIZZA PARTY: Join our Parish children on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 5:30pm for our annual Advent Pageant and Vigil Mass. All are invited to the Pizza and Bring a Dessert to Share Party following the pageant and Mass.

**SOLES4SOULS:** Our shoe drive continues to bring in a wonderful amount of shoes for those in need. Keep this in mind during your winter cleaning of unwanted/unused shoes you may want to donate. Thank you!

**MAKE YOUR OFFERING** online using the code below:



Saturday, Dec. 21, 5:30pm.: Advent Pageant & Vigil Mass

CHRISTMAS EVE 6 p.m. Family Mass 11 p.m. Sung Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY 10 a.m. Said Mass w. Carols

If you or someone you know cannot make it to Mass due to frailty or illness, please let Fr. Matt know so that he can offer the Blessed Sacrament this Christmas.



## **CHRIST CHURCH PARISH**

A Parish of the Episcopal Church

## **Clergy and Staff**

The Rev. Fr. J. Matthew Tucker, *Rector* 

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# Schedule for the Week following 1 December

## Sunday 1 December

The First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

8:45 a.m. Church School

9:00 a.m. Advent Series

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Monday, 2 December

Channing Moore Williams, Missionary Bishop

in China and Japan, 1910

Church office closed.

Tuesday, 3 December

Francis Xavier, Priest, Missionary to Japan,

1552

No Services

Wednesday, 4 December

John of Damacus, Priest, c. 760

No Services

6:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 5 December Clement of Alexandria, Priest, c.210

10:00 a.m. Low Mass w. Anointing

Friday, 6 December

Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 342

12:10 p.m. Low Mass

Saturday, 7 December Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, 397

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, 8 December
The Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

8:45 a.m. Church School

9:00 a.m. Advent Series

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting