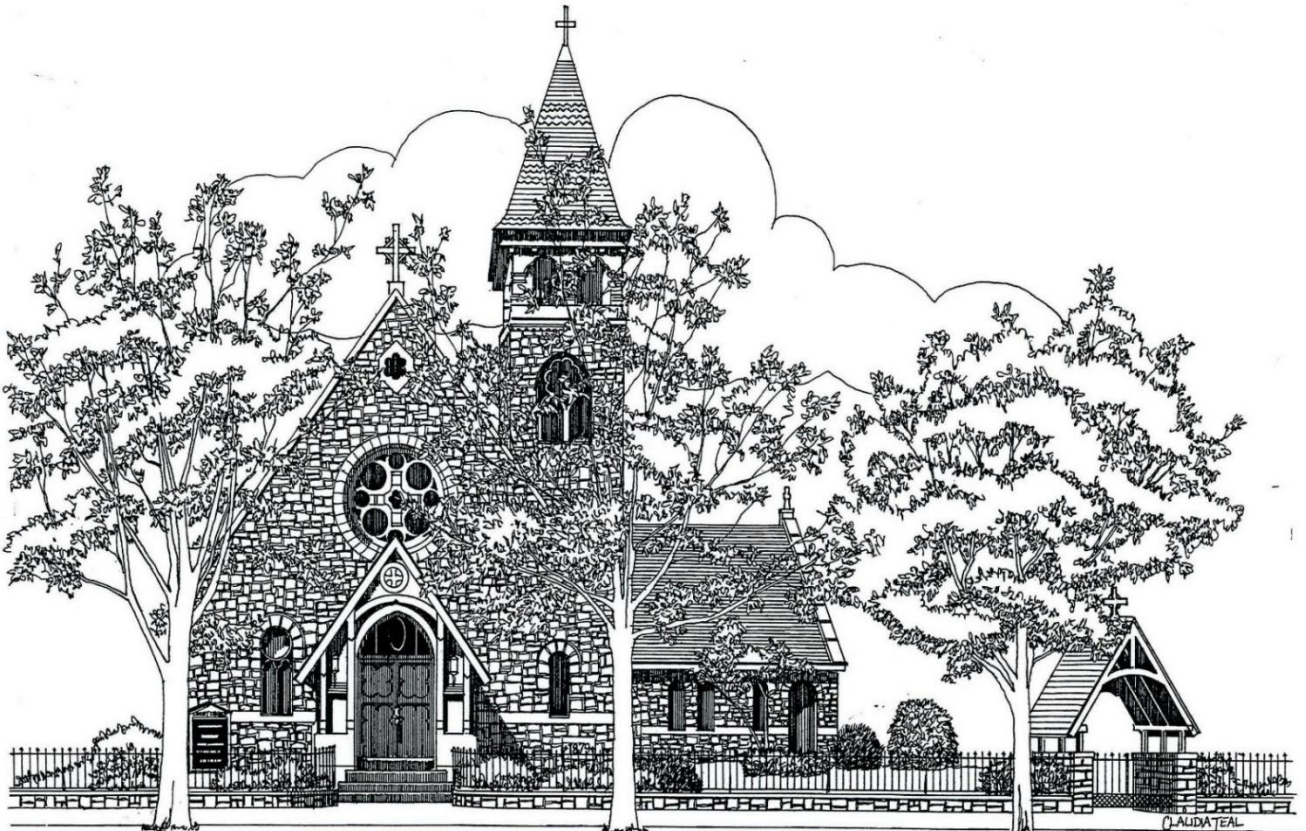


CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

HOLY CROSS DAY

14 SEPTEMBER 2025

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.



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	
V. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord	
R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.	
V. ☩ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.	
R. Amen.	
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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.	

9:30 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 *Prelude and Fugue in C Major*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN (insert) Lift high the cross

Crucifer

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KYRIE *Hymnal: 710/Healey Willan*

GLORIA *Hymnal: 713/Willan*

PROPER COLLECT

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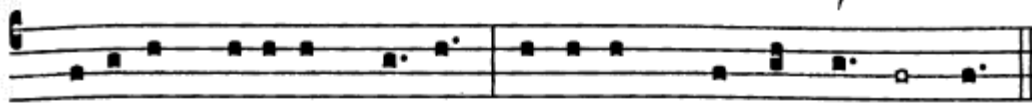
COLLECT FOR THE HOLY CROSS

The Congregation is seated for the Lessons and Psalm.

LESSON *Exodus 32:1,7-14*

PSALM 98

Tone VI A



O SING unto the LORD a • new song; * for he hath • done
marvellous things.

2 With his own right hand and with his ho-ly arm * hath he
gotten him-self the victory.

3 The LORD declar-ed his sal-vation; * his righteousness hath
he openly show-ed in the sight • of the heathen.

4 He hath remember-ed his mercy and truth toward the house of
Is-rael; * and all the ends of the world have seen the sal-vation of
our God.

5 Show yourselves joyful unto the LORD all • ye lands; * sing •
rejoice and give thanks.

6 Praise the LORD upon • the harp; * sing to the harp with a
psalm • of thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also • and shawms, * O show yourselves joy-
ful be-fore the LORD the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that there-in is; * the round
world and • they that dwell therein.

9 Let the floods clap their hānds † and let the hills be joyful
together before • the LORD; * for he is • come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge • the world * and the
peo-ples with equity.

EPISTLE 1 Timothy 1:12-17

The Congregation stands for Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

HYMN 337 – When I survey the wondrous cross

Rockingham

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10

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OFFERTORY

HYMN 279 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe den Herren

SURSUM CORDA Hymnal 734

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS Hymnal 711/797

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 712

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

COMMUNION *Per signum Crúcis*

By the sign of the cross from our enemies, deliver us, O Lord, our God.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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HYMN 345 – The King of love my shepherd is

Dominus Regit Me

The Congregation kneels through the Dismissal.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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BLESSING

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DISMISSAL

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The Congregation stands for the Last Gospel.

THE LAST GOSPEL

℣. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.

℟. **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

℣. ...full of grace and truth.

℟. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN - Take up your cross (see insert)

Bourbon

ORGAN *Improvisation of 'Wareham'*

PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS

*The flowers that decorate the church this week are given to the Glory of God
and in Thanksgiving by Dr. David Addis and family.*



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the sick: Grayson Porter, Robert J. Law, Bob Iero, Ed Ackerman, Cindy Nahill, Vicky Barbos, Donna Preston, 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: Tess Santos, Mary Pullen, Beatrix Kwiatkowski, Elaine Morrissey, Rick Sibley, 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: Cara Bradley, USN, Ben Skarzynski, USMC; Chris Neal, USN; Jacob Foerter; USAFR; Nickolas George USMC, Kevin Preston USAR

celebrating a birthday this week: Ivan Sopko, Janet Moscatiello, Madelyn Malone, Fiona Guyer, Jennifer Dalton, Andrew Zalescik, William Mesa, Kenneth Hartmann, Joseph Platt, and Ava Grace Richardson

celebrating an anniversary of their nuptials: James & Janet Atkinson, Gary & Suzanne Wheelock, Mark & Wendy Goldstein, David & Lindsay Tennett, and Richard & Andrea Jones

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

Ice Cream Social: Join us on September 20th at 6:30pm for our annual Ice Cream Social. Hope to see you there!

Please Note: We return to the normal Mass schedule on **September 21**. The schedule is as follows:

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
8:45 a.m. Church School
9:00 a.m. Adult Education (when scheduled)
10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

Cranberry Festival: One of the most popular festivals in Bordentown, the annual Cranberry Festival, is **October 4 – 5!** This festival has been quite a successful fundraiser for our Parish and Christ Church's homemade goods are sought out each year. Volunteers are needed to set-up, staff our booth, and create homemade goods for sale. Homemade goods needed are cookies, bar cookies, small cakes, breads and crafts. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the church office. Please consider joining us in this fun community event.

The Annual Blessing of the Animals will be held on **Sunday, October 5 at 9:15 a.m.** on the front church lawn. Everyone is encouraged to attend with or without an animal. Since 1992, this beloved tradition has drawn people from our parish membership as well as the community at large. It is traditionally held on the Sunday nearest the Fest of Saint Francis, who is remembered in part, for his concern for all of God's creation, "all creatures great and small."

Bishop's visitation for Confirmation and Reception: Bishop French will visit Christ Church on **Sunday, March 8, 2026**, for her official visitation, which includes Confirmation and Reception. If you desire to be Confirmed or to be Received into the Episcopal Church, please let Fr. Matt know, and plan on attending a short meeting on **November 16th at 9am**, where a Confirmation workbook will be handed out. Classes will be held, as the calendar allows, from late November to early March, as well as other opportunities for ministry and fellowship.

Make your Offering online using the code below:



Upcoming Events:

September 20, 6pm: Ice Cream Social
September 21, 8:45am: HomeFront Meal Prep
September 25. 6:30pm: BBQ & Theology
September 27: Flower Sale
September 28: Adult Education
October 4-5: Cranberry Festival
October 12: Blessing of the Firetrucks
October 19, 8:45am: HomeFront Meal Prep
October 19, 7pm: Sung Compline w. Vox Fidelis
October 25, 6pm: Parish Dinner

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Schedule for the Week following 14 September

Sunday, 14 September

Holy Cross Day

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
9:30 a.m. Sung Mass
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Monday, 15 September

Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Church office closed.

Tuesday, 16 September

Ninian, Bishop in Galloway, c. 430

Church office closed.

Wednesday, 17 September

Hildegard of Bingen, Bishop and Martyr, c. 705

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

Thursday, 18 September

Edward Bouverie Pusey, Priest, 1882

10:00 a.m. Low Mass w. Anointing
6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Meeting

Friday, 19 September

Theodore of Tarus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690

Saturday, 20 September

John Coleridge Patterson, Bishop of Melanesia, Martyr, 1871

9:00 a.m. AA Workshop
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social

Sunday, 21 September

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
8:45 a.m. Homefront Meal Prep
10:00 a.m. Sung Mass
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Descant

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.

till all the world _____ a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.

1 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 2 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if
 2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill
 3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and
 4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and
 5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
 2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your
 3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
 4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -
 5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
 2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
 3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
 4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
 5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.