

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Sunday, February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:30 a.m.

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Liturgy of the Word

| Prelude | | |
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| Announcements | | Bill Masters |
| Processional | Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven | H-410 |
| Opening Acclamation | | BCP 355 |
| Gloria | Glory to God | S-280 |
| The Collect of the Day | | Attached |
| First Reading | Jeremiah 17: 5-10 | Attached |
| Psalm | Psalm 1 | Attached |

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen

| Second Reading Gospel Hymn | 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20 Glorify Thy Name | Attached Attached |
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| Gospel | Luke 6: 17-26 | Attached |
| Sermon | The | Rev. Gerardo Brambila |
| Nicene Creed | | BCP 358 |
| Prayers of the People Form III | | Attached |
| Absolution | | BCP 360 |
| The Peace | | BCP-360 |
| Birthdays/Anniversaries/Blessings | ý. | BCP Inside Cover |
| Travel Blessings | | BCP 831 |
| | Offertory | |
| Offertory Sentence | | BCP 376 |
| Offertory Anthem | As With Gladness Men of Old by William Chatte | rton |
| Doxology | Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow | H-380, v. 3 |
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The Holy Communion

| Eucharistic Prayer B | | BCP 367 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Sanctus | Holy, Holy, Holy Lord | S-129 |
| The Lord's Prayer | Our Father | Hymnal Inside Front Cover |
| Fraction Anthem | Christ Our Passover | S-155 |
| The Breaking of the Bread | | BCP 364 |

The Invitation & Distribution

| The invitation & distribution | | | | |
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| Communion Hymn | On Eagle's Wings | W-810 | | |
| Post Communion Prayer | | BCP-498 | | |
| The Blessing | | Celebrant's Choice | | |
| Dismissal Hymn | Praise to the Living God | H-372 | | |
| Dismissal Acclamation | | BCP 366 | | |

St. Christopher's uses the following texts as worship aides:

The Book of Common Prayer = BCP
The 1982 Hymnal = H
Wonder, Love & Praise Hymnal = WLP

Today's Worship Leaders

Celebrant:The Rev. Gerardo BrambilaVerger:Patty EmanuelsonCrucifer:Al FrancoGospel BearerBetty Roddy

First Reading and Psalm

Second Reading

Dick Young

Diane Plein

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Chalice Bearers:

Music Director

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Collect of the Day

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Jeremiah 17: 5-10

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse--who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

The Psalm Psalm 1

- 1. Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3. 3hey are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
 - everything they do shall prosper.
- 4. It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5. Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The Holy Gospel Luke 6: 17-26

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Prayers of the People Form III

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Lector: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people. Lector: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Lector: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Lector: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Lector: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Lector: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Lector: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Lector: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully

accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Confession of Sins:

Minister Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned

And People: against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we

have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the

glory of your Name. Amen.

The Absolution

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earth.



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Weekly Announcements February 16, 2025

Our Vision: One congregation worshiping and serving in two languages

Our Mission: We are the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus: welcoming all to worship and

serving those in need to the glory of God.

Please leave the music inserts and the Prayers of the People inserts in the pews or in the narthex. Thank you for helping to save administrative costs.



CHRISTOPHER SINGERS: Please join with the Christopher Singers for a sing-along on **Friday February 21** at **11:00 a.m**. at Lucy's Place Benevilla located at 16752 N Greasewood Street in Surprise. We are going to help the residents in the day care center make a

joyous noise unto the Lord, and we could use your help. For more information see Diane Plein or Bill Lynn.

SCAM ALERT—PLEASE BE AWARE OF THIS SCAM! Several people have received a phone call or text message from a person pretending to be Fr. Gerardo and asking for assistance to help cancer patients. This person has requested Apple gift cards. Fr. Gerardo wants to assure everyone that he is not asking for help and would **NEVER** request assistance from anyone at the Church. Chase Bank has also reported to the Church that many of their customers are reporting that scammers on social media asked them to send their payment with Zelle® or Wires



BOOKSTORE: The BOOKSTORE has received <u>many</u> boxes of new to us books and puzzles. Our low prices continue—no inflation here! So, now is a good time to stock up on summer needs. Look it up, there is a lot here to **streeetch** your minds.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: One of the best ways to connect and grow in our church community is through small groups. Small groups are a place where we can study God's word together and support each other in our faith journeys. The Men's Bible Study takes place on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Come and join in fellowship.

MORNING PRAYER BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAYS AT 10:15 AM: If you like morning prayer and can't get to church all the time, feel free to join us on Zoom any Wednesday morning around 10:15-10:45. For more information, contact Patty Emanuelson, Mona Guarino or Beth Mayhew (602-435-5272). Look forward to seeing you!

GIVING STATEMENTS: Full year 2024 giving statements are now in your mail cart folders. If you have questions, please ask Beth at 602-435-5272. Thank you for your support!

COFFEE HOUR: Thank you every week to everyone who helps make coffee hour a friendly, yummy gathering! If you haven't helped with coffee hour before, please consider joining your fellow church members to help serve. You'll make new friends and have a fun time!

This Sunday's coffee hour is being hosted by Dick Young We really appreciate the help everyone gives each week!

NAME BADGES: We ask that everyone please remember to wear your name badge as it would be of a great help for Fr. Gerardo, new parishioners, and visitors. If you need a name badge, please contact the office.

FOOD DRIVE/FOOD BANK: Next week is "Surf & Turf" Sunday. Please bring canned (or packets) of tuna, sardines' salmon, or canned meats (canned spam or canned roast beef) etc. As always, thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Monthly Food Bank Donations

| | February 3,. 2025 | 2025 Total | |
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| Weight | 75 lbs. | 180 lbs. | |
| Cash | | | |

Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

| | February 10, 2025 | February Total | 2025 Year Total |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Bargains | \$579.00 | \$994.00 | \$2,849.30 ** |
| Bookstore | \$130.00 | \$385.15 | \$385.15 |

^{**}Total includes amount received from Big Brothers/Big Sisters in January

Thank you for your promise for Saint Christopher's for 2025 Gracias por su promisa para San Cristóbal para 2025

- * Bernabe Aguirre & Maria Salgado * Chinenye Anako * Dorothy Anako * Ken & Pamela Anako *

 * Jim & Susan Barnette * Carmen & Rey Borda * Fr. Gerardo Brambila * Janet Cairo * Clive Chancey * Jane Cooley *

 * Sallie Crill * Tad Daughters * Carole & Dudley Dickey * Patty Emanuelson * Trinidad D. & Trinidad A. Fabela *
 - * Barbara Fabre * Kathryn Frantz * Mona Guarino *Wilma Hammond * Marilyn Hunter * Barb & Ron Jackson *
 - * Arturo & Isabel Jaramillo * Barbara Kimball * Leona Lindvall * Bill Lynn * Miguel Lopez & Elvira Vasquez *
 - * Zeferino & Maria Maciel * Marva Martinez * Bill & Carol Masters* Beth Mayhew * Don Palm *
 - Zeferino di Maria Madele i Marva Martinez i bili de Carol Masters i betti Maynew i boli i alli
 - * Diane Plein* Charles Powley * Charlotte Powley * Feliciana Reyes * Betty Roddy * Michael Rowe *
 - * Joanne Mola * Frank & Susan Schlichting * Mike & Judi Soock * Constance Stresing *
 - * Gail & Michael Tetrick * Kelly Thomas * Anna Van Scoter * Barbara Welsh *
 - * Dick & Janet Young * Katy Young *

We thank the following people who have completed the Time and Talent Form

As we share our time and talents we can accomplish much more together: Dorothy Anako, Janet Cairo, Kathryn Frantz, JP Harrison, Barbara Jackson, Barbara Kimball, Leona Lindvall, Marva Martinez, Beth Mayhew, Diane Plein, Betty Roddy, Judi Soock, Mick Soock, Anna Van Scoter, Barbara Welsh.

This Week's Prayer List

One of the ways we care for one another in this church is through prayer. We believe that prayer is powerful and has the ability to bring comfort, healing, and peace. Today, we pray for the people below.

- * Juan Gabriel Aleman * Emmanuel Anako * Isaac Anako * Noc Anako * Stella Ardire * Susana Avila * Jim & Sue Barnette *
- * Viviana Brambila * Judy Broeder * Kia Browning * Jan Browning * Mike Burkhart * Tom Camper * John Card * Clive Chancey *
- * Agnes Chukwudozie * Claudio * Ryan Colton * Philip Cooley * Judy Couvillion * Gale & Arthur Farinas * Isaiah Garcia *
 - * Ann Gay ** Cathy Gustin * Gary Gustin * Michael Heap *Marilyn Hunter * Annamarie Jett *
 - * Jacob "JJ" Johnson (Sister Cheryl's son) * Julie Jones * Lois Jones * Ruth Jones * Judith *
- * Dorothy Lafferty & grandson Andrew * Gene Lapham * Rosa Madrid & Family * Christina Mason * Larry Mayper *
- * Shawn Mirigian * Joanne Mola * Mr. Monata * Bryan Nance * Paul & Paula * Joanne Porter * Audrey & Christopher Price *
 - * Ramon* * Rick & Robbie * Ranulfo Orozco Reyes * Javier Sanchez * Socorro Sanchez * Sebastian *
 - * Charles Jay Smith & Family * Eunice Uzokwulu * Anna Van Scoter * Victoria *

For those who have died

* Aubrianna Exner * Ranulfo Orozco * Maria Payan *



Happy Anniversary in February

Lourdes & Martin Rios

30 years

Sue & Frank Schlichting

61 years

Carol & Bill Masters

53 years



Happy Birthday to Everyone Celebrating in February

| Marva Martinez | February 09 | Maggie Mayper | February 18 |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Frank Schlichting | February 10 | Janet Cairo | February 19 |
| Susan Barnette | February 11 | Bonnie Franco | February 20 |
| Richard Young | February 11 | Ariana Schwartz | February 21 |
| Rose Harris | February 14 | Betty Roddy | February 22 |
| Jereme Perez Valenzuela | February 15 | Sallie Crill | February 26 |
| Beatriz Cortez | February 18 | Lyberthad Xynayth Aguirre Salgado | February 28 |

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