

Tintoretto [Jacopo Comin] (1519–1594), Christ at the Sea of Galilee, 1575-1580. National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC.

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 13, 2023 — 9:00 am

Christ Church

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Christ Church Riverton, New Jersey The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II, Prayer A

August 13, 2023 — 9:00 A.M.

Prelude	"As Torrents In Summer"	T. Dubois
	"Prayer"	L. Cerubini

Processional Hymn 432 "O Praise Ye The Lord"

The people standing, the Celebrant saysCelebrant :Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.People:And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.Amen.

Celebrant : Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gloria S-280 *"Glory to God in the highest"*

The Collect of the Day --

Celebrant :	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Celebrant :	Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

A Reading (Lesson) from 1 Kings 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent

the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

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

Psalm 85:8-13 Benedixisti, Domine

8. I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, * that his glory may dwell in our land.

- 10. Mercy and truth have met together; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11. Truth shall spring up from the earth, * and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12. The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, * and our land will yield its increase.
- 13. Righteousness shall go before him, * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A Reading (Lesson) from Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

The Gospel Hymn LEVAS 200 "When The Storms Of Life"

Then, all standing, the Deacon:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew 14:22-33

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Deacon:	The Gospel of the Lord.
People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Don Caron, Priest

The Nicene Creed (Sung to the tune of Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing 686 or Love Divine, All Loves Excelling 657)

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan, earth and heaven sprang to being, all created things began.

Jesus infant born of Mary He grew up in Galilee.

From the water with John the Baptist, He began his ministry.

Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led, suffered under Pontius Pilate, he descended to the dead.,

- We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's king to rule and reign, to the Father's side ascended. till as judge he comes again.
- We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above; saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.
- So by faith, our sins forgiven,. Christ our Savior, Lord and friend. we shall rise with him in glory. to the life that knows no end.

Prayers of the People for the 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Presider: As Peter cried out from the waves, let us cry to the Lord our God, who hears our voice from the heart of the flood.

Deacon: For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place, especially, Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Sally, our Bishop, Donald our Priest, Leslie our Deacon. For the Ministry of Deacons, the Diocesan Treasurer, The Churches in Burlington, Clementon, Haddon Heights, Pleasantville, Point Pleasant Beach, and Stone Harbor, Iglesia Santa Maria in Keyport, Rev. Andrew Hanyzewsk, the Officers of the Diocese, the Testing and Vaccines Task Force, the Standing Committee.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all nations and their leaders, especially Joseph the President of the United States, and Phillip the Governor of NJ, for Volodymyr Zelensky and Vladimir Putin, and for mercy, justice, and peace in the world. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For farmers and a good harvest, for sailors and all who work at sea, for travelers and those on vacation, and for safety from violent storms. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all those in danger and need: the sick and the dying, especially *Ruth, Ed, Sharon, Annamarie, Susan, Donna, Cheryl, Carol, Jeanette, Susan, Austin, Lynn, Tibor, Cynthia, Katie, Kelly, Eileen, Doris, Don, Sean, Bob, Arlene, Barry, Joan, Naomi, Carol,* *David, Stephanie, Natalie,* the poor and the oppressed,prisoners and their families, victims of terror, and those who commit violence. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead. especially, *Capt. Walter Salmon, Jr., John and Ethel Roy*

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our city and every community, and for our families, companions, and all we love. *Lord, hear our prayer.*.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord.*

Presider: Lord of wind and water, hear the prayers we offer this day for all battered by the waves of this world and bring them in safety to your harbor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Confession of Sin

The Deacon:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept. Minister and People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned 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 Priest, stands and says

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace(All stand.)Celebrant:The peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And also with you.

Offertory Music "Maestoso"

C. Saint-Saens

The Doxology (Hymnal 380 Verse 3)

All: Praise God of whom all blessings flow Praise God all creatures here below Praise God above the heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Rite II Form A		
Celebrant :	The Lord be with you.	
People:	And also with you.	
Celebrant :	Lift up your hearts.	
People:	We lift them to the Lord.	
Celebrant :	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
People:	It is right to give God thanks and praise.	
Celebrant:	It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always	

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy Holy, Holy Lord (Hymnal S-129)

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say *(spoken)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Invitation

Communion Music "O Christ, The Word Incarnate" arr. Gordon Young

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen. Birthday Blessings

Anniversary Blessings

Announcements

Final Blessing

Recessional LEVAS 196 "Leaning On The Ever lasting Arms"

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia

Organ Postlude "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus"

arr. G. Young

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THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR TODAY

are given to the glory of God and in memory of in memory of *Capt. Walter W. Salmon, Jr. USN*, by The Rev. Canon Dr. Alan K. Salmon

THE CHAPEL SANCTUARY LIGHT is lit

in memory of John and Ethel Roy by Suzanne Vollmer

Participating in the 9am. Service

Lector: Jeff Mack Acolyte: Jeff Mack, Shea Gulbin, Christian Gulbin Ushers: Glenn Gulbin, Fred Hill Videographer: Mike Kinsler Altar Guild: Debbie Sigler, Susan Stevens, Mary Shea Counters: Don Dietz & Bob Engel

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TO ALL ACOLYTES- I want to thank you for your great service to the church. All of you do an outstanding job at the altar assisting Fr. Don. I am very proud to be a part of this dedicated group.

God Bless you and your service to the church, Jeff Mack

MUSIC NOTES - Next Sunday we will be singing favorite hymns selected by the congregation. You may select from either of our two hymnbooks. Come prepared with your favorite.

HANDBELL CHOIR - We are going to rehearse our handbell choir at 10:00 to play at the service on August 24 Would you like to join us? See Peter H. for details.

MONDAY MEDITATION GROUP will meet Monday, August 14, at 2:30 p.m. in the Parish House Parlor. This is a new in-person group which will be twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays every month. Contact Mel Caron at melanieannecaron@gmail.com or 478-234-3698 if you have questions.

MID-WEEK SERVICE A celebration of the Eucharist is held every Wednesday at 10:00. It includes special mention of the persons on the parish prayer list and asks for God's healing for the world. The Service lasts about 20 minutes.

EXPLORING AND EXPERIENCING THE NAKED NOW

by Fr. Richard Rohr will be the video the Thursday Study Group views this week, August 3, and next week, August 10. In the first talk, Rohr explores the main themes of his book The Naked Now: Learning to See as the Mystics See. Contemplative seeing is a lost treasure from our Christian tradition. In the second talk, Rohr leads us to process a new way to process reality - not by thinking, but by encountering. Our heritage is by experiential Christianity, to know it for ourselves. This talk opens Scripture to reveal the goal of religion. Join us at 10 a.m. in the Parlor.

MEN'S GROUP. We will meet for about an hour every first and third Saturday of each month @ 9:00 am (so you can still have your day), and we will talk about the things that are important for a man's spiritual life. It's an opportunity to deepen relationships with other men of the parish, too. All men are invited!

MINISTRY TO RIVERVIEW ESTATES On the first and third Sunday of each month, at 3:00 pm Christ Church leads a Communion service for the residents. Members of the parish are welcome to help the participants.

CONFIRMATION

In the Eiscopal Church, Confirmation completes the initiation of an individual into full membership. We become Christians through Holy Baptism, which makes us members of the local community and which maked parents, godparents and the community responsible for teaching us as we grow and worship. Confirmation is the means by which the church recognizes us as ready to take up ministry within the church.

It is often thought of as a sacramental way of signifying Christian adulthood.

If you have not been confirmed by a bishop (in the Episcopal Church or another denomination with bishops) you might want to be confirmed at the next opportunity vy our new bishop Very Reverend Sally French. The plan might lead to confirmation at the Cathedral in Trenton or here at Christ Church.

There will be two requirements to be recommended to the Bishop for Confirmation. I will have a booklet of information for candidates to read and meet with me to discuss. Also we want the candidates to attend the Intergenerational program, which is held in conjunction with the change of liturgical seasons. Please contact Fr. Don if you are interested in being confirmed.

At the same time as Confirmation is administered, two other options are available. One is Reception. This is the way by which someone baptized and confirmed in a religion other than the Episcopal Church officially becomes a member of the Episcopal Church. There is also the lovely opportunity for Reaffirmation. This is a way that people who are already fully members of the Episcopal Church may publicly state their intention to remain as Episcopalians, and with the help of God, to live as Episcopalians. If you are interested in any of these options, or if you have questions, contact Fr. Don.

THE THIRD FREE SENIOR LUNCHEON WILL BE HELD AT NOON ON AUGUST 15.

Everyone is invited. We are close to getting certification from the State so that food can be prepared on-site.

For that, we need a new refrigerator. Any donations toward that would be much appreciated.

If you are dropping it into the collection plate, make sure the envelope is labeled "refrigerator."

Thank YOU.

A Concert Featuring IONA FYFE AND ADAM HENDEY will be held on Friday, August 18 at 7:00 PMÂ TICKETS \$20

It is scheduled to be held on the lawn (bring a chair), but in case of inclement weather, will be moved to the Hall in the Parish House.

Iona was Scots Singer of the year in 2018 and Musician of the year in 2021. She has appeared in concert halls in many European nations and performed with the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra.

> This event is sponsored by Circle of Friends. You can get tickets by email at circleoffriendsconcerts.org

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HISTORIC CHURCHES WALKING TOUR

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 from 6;00 - 8:30 pm

Program:

6-7pm overview of the 4 churches at Christ Church Parish Hall

7-8:30pm all churches will be open for on-site visits

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Riverton Restaurants, *Early Bird, Juanita's and Milanese*,

will be open for an early dinner before the event.

Shopping at Home Off Main and Tillie's Trinkets.

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