

**Post-Communion Prayer**

BCP, p. 365

**All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our LORD. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Hymn 493** "O for a thousand tongues to sing" *Standing*

**Dismissal**

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the LORD. Alleluia, alleluia!  
**Response** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia**

**Postlude** *Theme from "A Bridge Too Far"* John Addison

*After the dismissal the congregation is welcome to either stay and listen quietly to the postlude or to quietly exit the church.*

<b>Birthdays</b>	<b>Anniversaries</b>
<i>Bob Spencer</i> 6 <i>Kathleen Snaper</i> 8 <i>Bennie Floyd</i> 9	<i>Spencer &amp; Linda Adams</i> 10

**Birthday and Anniversary Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**The Rt. Rev. Jim Waggoner, Assisting Bishop of Nevada**

**The Rev. Liz Zivanov, Interim Rector**

The Rev. Jorge A. Hernandez	Senior Associate Priest
The Rev. Steven Kalas	Associate Priest
The Rev. Robert Spencer	Associate Priest
The Rev. Bonnie Polley	Deacon
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**Announcements**

ARE YOU A VISITOR at Christ Church today? WELCOME. PLEASE COME AGAIN. Please make yourself known to the ushers to get a free visitors bag. Please fill out the visitors card and put in the collection plate.

**Rebuilding Our Ministries!** Please join us today after the services in the parish hall and show us what your interested in and learn about all the ministries available at Christ Church. We are just asking for a little bit of your time to explore the ministries in the church community. Help us recover after COVID.



Nevada is one of those states that have seen a significant increase in reported COVID cases. We'd like to invite you to be as safe as possible while attending worship. We are requiring masks and there will be masks at the entrance of the church or you can wear your own masks. We're asking you to be safe, and especially to keep our kids safe.

This week please welcome **Mr. James Geffert**, our guest pianist.

 **Pastoral Care:** Are you sick, homebound or hospitalized? Please contact church office at 702-735-7655 to arrange a visit with Rev. Liz or Deacon Bonnie.

**Some church worship services are being livestreamed via video for our online congregation. By participating in this service you acknowledge that you may be visible on live broadcast or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.**

**Dates to Remember**

- Sept 11th** Ordination of **Gerry Jones** to the Sacred Order of Deacons, **2pm at Epiphany.** Please RSVP to gjonas@gmail.com.
- Sept 12th** Ordination Reception for Gerry Jones after both services in the Parish Hall.
- Sept 25th** Patio Nights in the courtyard at 7pm.
- Oct 7th-9th** The **51st Annual Diocesan Convention** of The Episcopal Diocese of Nevada: will be meeting in Ely, NV. 
- Oct 14th-17th** Via De Cristo, will be using the entire campus.
- Oct 23rd** Lobster Fair from 9am - 3pm in the courtyard. Please contact Hank Hope at 702-612-8169 to schedule donation drop-off time for the Silent Auction. Please call Elana at 702-300-3526 to volunteer, rent a booth or with any questions. 
- Nov 14th** The **Assisting Bishop Jim Waggoner** will be visiting CCE. At that time, he'll be doing confirmations, baptisms, reaffirmation of faith, and reception at 4:00pm, if you are interested please contact Rev. Liz or the church office for information.





# Christ Church Episcopal

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**Welcome to Christ Church**

*Please silence all electronic devices when entering the church.*



**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 5th, 2021 at 11:00 AM**

**The Service of the Word**

**Prelude** *Look Inside* James Geffert

**Hymn 371** "Thou, whose almighty word" *Standing*

*Priest* Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**Response** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

**Collect for Purity** **BCP, p. 355**

**Gloria S-236**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of you majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

**Collect of the Day**

*Priest* The LORD be with you.  
**Response** **And also with you.**  
*Priest* Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**First Reading** *Isaiah 35:4-7a* *Sitting*

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

*Reader* The word of the LORD.  
**Response** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 146

*Sitting*

1. Hallelujah!  
Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*  
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
2. Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
for there is no help in them.
3. When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts perish.
4. Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
5. Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*  
who keeps his promise for ever;
6. Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
and food to those who hunger.
7. The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
8. The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cares for the stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
9. The LORD shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!.

## Second Reading

*James 2:1-17*

*Sitting*

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

*Reader* The word of the LORD.  
*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 291** “We plow the fields, and scatter”

*Standing*

## The Holy Gospel

*Mark 7:24-37*

*Standing*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our LORD Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Response** **Glory to you, LORD Christ.**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the LORD.  
**Response** **Praise to you, LORD Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Michael Engfer

*Moment of Silent Reflection*

## The Nicene Creed

**BCP, p. 358**

## Prayers of The People

*Standing or kneeling*

*Please join using Form 3 in the Book of Common Prayers.*

**BCP, p. 387**

## Prayer requests

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer** The Episcopal Church of Sudan and The Most Rev. Ezekial Kumir Kondo, their Bishop.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses of Clergy of the Nevada Diocese and The Rev. Carolyn Shannon, the Chaplain.

**Thanksgiving** For the social and economic achievements of American workers on this Labor Day weekend.

**Those in Need** Arnold, Barbara, Bea, Bob, Bonnie, John, Kathy, Lyle, Renee, Rusty, Terri, Virginia: Cody, Stephen, Jan, Yvonne, Carol, Theresa, Pearl, Albert, Bill, Tony.

**The Deceased** Bev.

## Confession of Sin

**BCP, p.360**

## The Peace

## Announcements

*The holy table belongs to our LORD Jesus Christ and all those who desire to follow him as LORD and Savior are welcome to receive the bread and wine. If you cannot come to the altar, please signal an usher and we will bring communion to you.*



## The Service of the Lord’s Table

### Offertory

*Offertory*

James Geffert

**Doxology 380,vs3** “Praise God from who all blessings flow” *Standing*

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.

### The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)

**BCP, p. 361**

*Priest* The LORD be with you.

**Response** **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

**Response** **We lift them to the LORD.**

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

**Response** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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

*Priest* 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 :

### Sanctus S-130

*Standing*

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

*The priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, while the congregation stands or kneels.*

*Priest* ...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**BCP, p. 363**

**All** **Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again**

*Priest* ...And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

### The Lord’s Prayer

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### The Breaking of the Bread

*The priest breaks the bread*

*Priest* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Response** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**Fraction Hymn 178 vs. 1** “Alleluia, alleluia”

*Standing*

### Communion

**Hymn 602** “Jesus, Jesus, fill us with your love”

*Standing*