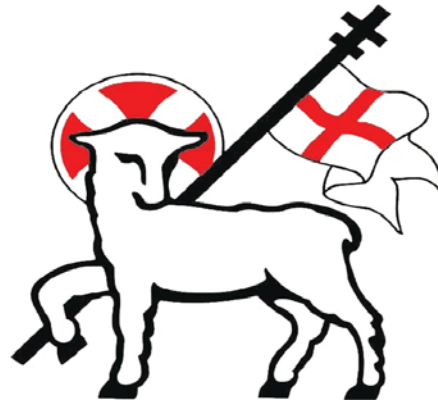


# CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL

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THE MOTHER CHURCH OF GEORGIA

SAVANNAH



Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 25, Year B

October 25, 2009

5:00 P.M.





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The Book of Common Prayer, Holy Eucharist, Rite II (“BCP”)

**Entrance Rite**

Processional	Hymnal 690
<i>Guide me, O thou great Jehovah</i>	<i>William Williams</i>
Opening Acclamation and Response	BCP 355
<i>Gloria in excelsis</i>	Hymnal S-280
Collect of the Day	
Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.	
<i>Amen.</i>	

**Word of God**

First Lesson	Jeremiah 31:7-9
Gradual Psalm 126 <i>In convertendo</i>	BCP 782
Epistle	Hebrews 7:23-28

Sequence Hymn	Hymnal 440
<i>Blessed Jesus, at thy word</i>	<i>Tobias Clausnitzer</i>
Holy Gospel	Mark 10:46-52
Sermon	The Rev. James B. Shumard
Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People, <i>Form VI</i>	BCP 392
Confession and Absolution	
Peace	BCP 360

### Holy Communion

Offertory <i>Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life</i>	<i>Malcolm Archer</i>
Doxology	Hymnal 380, v. 3
Great Thanksgiving <i>Eucharistic Prayer A</i>	BCP 361
Sanctus and Benedictus	Hymnal S-125
Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S-169
Communion Hymn	Hymnal 691
<i>My faith looks up to thee</i>	<i>Ray Palmer</i>
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
Processional Hymn	Hymnal 493
<i>O for a thousand tongues to sing</i>	<i>Charles Wesley</i>

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Please join us after the service for a reception in the parish hall. If you are in need of pastoral assistance, please contact The Rev. Michael S. White at [michael.white@ccesavannah.org](mailto:michael.white@ccesavannah.org) or 912-414-0378. Our website address is [www.ccesavannah.org](http://www.ccesavannah.org).

First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
"Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and  
those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.



Roman School Fresco of Jeremiah, c. 1120

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The LORD has done great things for them."

4 The LORD has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Epistle

Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for

them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

### Gospel

### Mark 10:46-52

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.



Duccio di Buoninsegna. *Healing of the Blind Man.*

1308-11. National Gallery, London

## Announcements

### **Acolytes, Readers and Greeters for October 25**

Today, our greeters are Mr. and Mrs. William B. Haile and Henry Garlington, and our readers are Rebecca A. Cheatham and Patricia Stringer. Our acolytes are Alexander M. Fleming, Alston E. Macgill and Margaret Ann Bohnstedt.

### **Holy Fun: Camp for Big Kids!**

Inviting college students and young adults aged 18-29 to a fall retreat at Honey Creek, Friday, Nov. 6 to Sunday, Nov. 8. For more information and to register, follow the link at [www.georgia.anglican.org](http://www.georgia.anglican.org) or call the Rev. Helen S. White at 912-925-6517.

### **Upcoming Dates**

**November 1** All Saints' Day

**November 22** Bishop Louttit's visitation to our Church

**November 24** Thanksgiving Interfaith Service at First African Baptist

**November 25** Thanksgiving Interfaith Service at First Christian Church

**January 10, 2010** Baptism of **Anna Reeves**, daughter of Jerry and Kristy Reeves

**January 23, 2010** Consecration of Bishop-elect Scott A. Benhase as the Tenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia

### **Meet Claudia Lichtenberg**



Christ Church Episcopal's nursery services are provided by Claudia Lichtenberg who is exceptionally qualified for the position. Claudia is the mother of three boys and currently teaches Spanish for grades 3-5 at the Savannah Country Day School. She graduated from Florida Atlantic University with B.S. degree in elementary education, and worked as a teacher in the Broward County, Florida school system prior to relocating to Savannah.

She has also had experience working with several developmental pre-school and kindergarten organizations.

### **Becky Cheatham To Be Honored By Voices for Georgia's Children**



On November 13 in Atlanta, CCE member Becky Cheatham will receive the Big Voice for Children Award from Voices for Georgia's Children. Based in Atlanta, Voices for Georgia's Children is an independent, non-profit advocacy organization speaking up for the well being of the state's children. Its aim is to be a primary information source to assist the leaders and citizens of Georgia in making sound decisions on policy, investment and systems that serve children and youth.

### **Acuffs and Meadows to Thailand for Habitat for Humanity**

Steve and Montie Acuff and Comer Meadows have been accepted to participate in the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project for Habitat for Humanity. The Project will unite volunteers and families in need of affordable housing in the Mekong region. From November 15-20, volunteers will build with an estimated 175 families in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and China's Sichuan Province. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built and rehabilitated more than 300,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1.5 million people. Comer Meadows and the Acuffs also serve as dental missionaries in Belize and, since 1992, have treated over 9,000 children in that country.

### **Prayer Requests**

Prayer requests can be made by going to our website [www.ccesavannah.org](http://www.ccesavannah.org) and clicking on "Request a Prayer" or by calling Margaret Miller at 912-596-0361.

### **Tim Hall is a Grandfather!**



Preston Andrew White, Jr. was born at 9:40 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at St. Francis (Bon Secour) Hospital in Richmond, Virginia. The son of Preston and Caroline White, he weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and measured 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Timothy L. Hall and Candy Hall.

### **Happy Birthday, George Bass Wirth!**

CCE's youngest congregant, George Bass Wirth, celebrated his first birthday on October 23. Please join us after the service as we celebrate, too! George is the son of Carol and Phillip Wirth and the younger brother of Charlie.



### **Father White Chosen for Clergy Leadership Project**

Our rector, The Rev. Michael S. White, has been chosen as one of 29 participants in the 25th class of the Clergy Leadership Project to take place in West Cornwall, Connecticut. Several hundred clergy were nominated from across the U.S. and participants were selected on the basis of talent, experience, geography, leadership ability and other criteria. The Clergy Leadership Project is a national initiative formed to develop and strengthen clergy leaders, supporting new visions for vigorous ministries in their congregations and communities as

well as support their personal growth. Trinity Church, Wall Street in New York City and The Episcopal Church Foundation initially funded this leadership model. Today, Trinity Church is the sole sponsor of the project.

Father White will be attending the six-day conference, October 25-30 and will continue to meet with his clergy colleagues for another three sessions as they prepare to equip themselves for the important task of leading the church in the 21st century.

### Our Episcopal Church Shield



The Episcopal Church shield and flag are well known symbols of our church. The red cross on white is for the Church of England from which the Episcopal Church began; the white cross-crosslets represent the nine original dioceses; and the blue canton with the crosses in saltire is a reminder of the Episcopal Church of Scotland from whom the first American bishop Samuel Seabury received his consecration as bishop.

### CCE's Youth Coordinators



Kelly Garrett and Sarah Brockenbrough are leading our Church's youth program this year. Kelly (l) is a mother of three and Sarah (r) is a school teacher. Both are passionate about the Episcopal Church and our youth. They have planned several events including the ever-popular "Saints' Chain" for All Saints' Day on November 1. Last year's chain had hundreds of names listed on the more than 700 links and this year's will be even longer. If you have children interested in our program, contact Kelly at [cha-teapouchon@comcast.net](mailto:cha-teapouchon@comcast.net) and Sarah at [mlbrockenbrough@yahoo.com](mailto:mlbrockenbrough@yahoo.com).

## Welcome To The Rev. James B. Shumard

We welcome today The Rev. Jim Shumard as our guest preacher and celebrant. Father Shumard is a lifelong Episcopalian and is the assistant rector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Previously, he served as the rector of St. Francis of the Islands Episcopal Church. Father Shumard is CCE's 35<sup>th</sup> guest preacher since our rebirth as an Episcopal congregation two years ago.

## Thank You, Holly Koons McCullough

Last week, Holly Koons McCullough, the Telfair Museum of Art's chief curator, gave a fascinating forum presentation entitled "Longing for Faith: The Religious Underpinnings of Dutch Utopia." Below are photographs of (1) Catherine Varnedoe (whose deceased brother-in-law Kirk Varnedoe was the curator for the MOMA) and Mrs. McCullough and (2) Mrs. McCullough with Linda McWhorter and Cathy Solomons, the Telfair's board president.



## All Saints' Day Preparation



During our service today, Margaret Miller will hand out strips of paper for you to write the name of any saints (living or deceased) in your lives. We



will string the list together and present it next Sunday along with a special banner made by our youth. In these photographs, Will Garrett works on the banner project while our acolytes prepare for last Sunday's service.



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The Right Reverend Henry I. Louttit, Jr., *Bishop of Georgia*

The Reverend Scott A. Benhase, *Bishop-elect of Georgia*

The Reverend Michael S. White, *Rector*

The Reverend Canon H. Neal Phelps, *Associate Priest*

The Reverend George M. Maxwell, *Rector Emeritus*

The Reverend Susan W. Harrison, *Deacon*

Timothy L. Hall, *Choirmaster*

Kenneth G. Yates, *Organist*

### Vestry

T. Mills Fleming, *Senior Warden*

M. Daniel Suwyn, *Junior Warden*

Montie S. Acuff, *Clerk of the Vestry*

Jane F. Espy, *Treasurer*

William M. Brockenbrough

Rebecca A. Cheatham

M. M. Goldsmith, III, M.D.

Joseph R. Gussler, M.D.

Mimi S. Jones

Virginia T. Maxwell

Ann Y. Miller

Margaret J. Miller

Janet D. Stone

Christ Church Episcopal, the "Mother Church of Georgia", was founded on February 12, 1733 and is a member of the Diocese of Georgia which, in turn, is one of 111 Dioceses which composes The Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces, and regional Churches in communion with the See of Canterbury. The fellowship upholds and propagates the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer.

