



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Sunday, February 9, 2025

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:30 a.m.

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
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Liturgy of the Word

Prelude		
Announcements		Mike Sock
Processional	<i>Come Though Almighty Kind</i>	H-365
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria	<i>Glory to God</i>	S-280
The Collect of the Day		Attached
First Reading	Isaiah 6: 1-8, [9-13]	Attached
Psalm	Psalm 138	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	1 Corinthians 15: 1-11	
Gospel Hymn	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia</i>	H-178, Vs 1, 2
Gospel	Luke 5: 1-11	
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		BCP Inside Cover
Travel Blessings		BCP 831

Offertory

Offertory Sentence		BCP 376
Offertory Anthem	<i>In His Presence by Dick and Melodie Tunney</i>	
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	H-380, v. 3

The Holy Communion

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

The Invitation & Distribution

Communion Hymn	<i>Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus</i>	H-336
Post Communion Prayer		BCP-498
The Blessing		Celebrant's Choice
Dismissal Hymn	<i>O Master Let Me Walk With Thee</i>	H-660
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 Brambila
Vergers:	Patty Emanuelson
Crucifer:	Judi Sock
Gospel Bearer	Al Franco
First Reading and Psalm	Marva Martinez
Second Reading	Bonnie Franco
Prayers of the People	Don Palm
Chalice Bearers:	Judi Sock & Al Franco
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Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Isaiah 6: 1-8, [9-13]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'

Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled."

The holy seed is its stump.]

The Psalm
Psalm 138

1. I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
2. I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
3. For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
4. When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
5. All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
6. They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
7. Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
8. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
9. The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Epistle
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Holy Gospel
Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Weekly Announcements
February 9, 2025

Our Vision: One congregation worshipping 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.

VESTRY CHANGE: There is a change in the Vestry. Jane Cooley will take over the duties of Senior Warden. She and Beth Mayhew will work together for the next year to allow for a smooth transition.

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

LADIES LUNCHEON: The February ladies' luncheon will be at **The Wildlife World Zoo, 16501 W. Northern Avenue, Litchfield Park** on **Thursday, February 20 at 12 noon**. All are welcome! If you have questions or are interested in car pooling, please see Sue Schlichting.

SAVE THE DATE! SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER: The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will take place on **Tuesday, March 4 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

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!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES: High winds and drought conditions combined to accelerate the growth of wildfires that have devastated communities in California. Places of worship, businesses and homes have been heavily damaged. Mass evacuations and widespread power outages have affected hundreds of thousands of people. Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with partners to support people affected by the Southern California wildfires. The Wildfire Response Fund is an important tool for responding to immediate needs and supporting long-term recovery. Please contribute to Episcopal Relief & Development’s Wildfire Response Fund or visit episcopalrelief.org to donate and get more information.

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: Please bring cans, packets of soup, bean mix, broth, or ramen noodles. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. *~No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted--Aesop*

Monthly Food Bank Donations

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

Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

	February 3, 2025	January Total	2025 Year Total
Bargains	\$415.00	\$2,245.00	\$2,270.30 **
Bookstore	\$83.00	\$255.15	\$255.15

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

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 * Sarah Benson * Viviana Brambila * Judy Broeder * Kia Browning * Jan Browning *
- * Tom Camper * Tommy Canavan * 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 * Marianne Spratley * Eunice Uzokwulu * Anna Van Scoter * Victoria *

For those who have died

- * Aubrianna Exner * Maria Payan *

**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 & Isobel Jaramillo * Barbara Kimball * Leona Lindvall * Bill Lynn * Miguel Lopez & Elvira Vasquez *
* Zeferino & Maria Maciel * Marva Martinez * Bill & Carol Masters * Beth Mayhew * Don Palm *
* Diane Plein * Charles Powley * Charlotte Powley * Feliciana Reyes * Betty Roddy * Michael Rowe *
* Joanne Mola * Frank & Susan Schlichting * Mike & Judi Sock * 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 Sock, Mick Sock, Anna Van Scoter, Barbara Welsh.



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	Beatriz Cortez	February 18
Frank Schlichting	February 10	Maggie Mayer	February 18
Susan Barnette	February 11	Janet Cairo	February 19
Richard Young	February 11	Bonnie Franco	February 20
Rose Harris	February 14	Ariana Schwartz	February 21
Jereme Perez Valenzuela	February 15	Betty Roddy	February 22
Eva Quiles	February 17	Sallie Crill	February 26
Amy Schultz	February 17	Lyberthad Xynayth Aguirre Salgado	February 28

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