



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. A nursery is available.

A gentle reminder: please mute or turn off cell phones before the service.

Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the Chapter House.



Ministers For Today

Celebrant and Preacher.....Dean Gibson
First ReadingLucy Moore
Second ReadingDouglas Kearley
Intercessor.....Skip Archer
Chalice Bearers Burnley Davis, Leland Moore
OblationersNoreen Hume, Chris Hume
Crucifers..... Anna Francis Weeks, Annabelle Ramo
Acolytes Sadie Ladd, Virginia Ladd, Jordan Moore,
 Leland Moore, Yates Grehan
Children’s Chapel..... Barbara Mitchell, Elinor Gibson
Altar Guild..... Barbara Archer, Jennifer Grehan,
 Donna Moreé, M. J. Ramo, Martha Ann Stafford
Flower Guild..... Missy Patrick, Kay Whiting
Ushers Mark Weeks, Paul Clinton,
 Fred Hoffmeyer, Gene Moreé
Hospitality Team.....Marianne Hall, Chambliss Brister, Kim Ellis,
 Valerie Hines, Lucy Moore, Kristyn Seawell



Christ Church Cathedral

Cathedral of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

The Right Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, *Bishop*

The Very Reverend Beverly Findley Gibson, Ph.D., *Rector and Dean*

The Reverend Canon Daniel Andrew Wagner, *Canon Pastor*

Christopher William Powell, *Organist and Music Director*

Katherine Elaine Powell, *Choir Director*



Christ Church Cathedral Mission Statement

The Cathedral is the spiritual center of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. The Cathedral is a dynamic and evolving church that serves as a liturgical, educational, and pastoral center for Diocesan life. It serves as a visible symbol of unity and promotes growth, hope, and a deepening trust in the Lord. The Cathedral is a place where the Gospel of Jesus Christ will be faithfully preached and responded to, and it will model new concepts and ideas for education, evangelism, and outreach to which the Gospel calls us.

THE LESSONS

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2016

First Reading:

Acts 16:9-15

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: **Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5**

Reader: A Reading from the Revelation to John

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. [...] I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel: John 14:23-29

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

CATHEDRAL PRAYERS

May 1, 2016

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAY FOR:

Members:

Sonny Burchfield, Alice Carwie, Katherine Deaton, Hank Cobb, Martha Middleton, Jordan Moore, Debbie Ramsey

Friends & Family:

Peggy Naughton, Gary Davis, Harrison Leff, Michael Cameron, Nancy & Don Cameron, Rob & Amy Archer Ellis, Joyce Lee, Davis Nelson, Michael Sumrall, Gwen Cook, Alfred Showers, Jim Elia, Anne Brown, Mark Brown, Harriett Lillich, Dave Carlyn Block, Rachel McClanahan, Tom Cunningham, Norma Beazley, Curtis Bullock, Valerie Boatman, Ann Jones, Hank Wozniak, Lisa Thompson, Stella Phillips, James Thomas, Mark Miles, Tot Swanson, Art Swanson, Hayden Jenkins, Maggie Jenkins, Carolyn Pryor, Merle Findley, Louise Douglas, Shirley & Dunlap Peeples, Steve Harris, Marian Macpherson Currie, Kit & Roger Geil, Angel & Larry Torres, Kathy Boucvalt, Bill Stevens, Ginger Simpson, Karen Sentilles, Lila Fisk, Tracey Johnson, Joe Lowrey, Temple Webber, Betty Browder, Kathy Sanders, Clarise Waters, Glenn Hill, Leslie Ellis Sharbel, Marian Hall, Homer Kemp, Jane Behlen, Dan Jones, Carolyn Graham, Ralph Neal, Mark Mason, Anita Stead, Tim Fulton, Bennett Stenger, Gladys Crowson, Billy Yost, Noel Fell, Sybil

Willis Rodgers, Hap Myers, Jr., Paul Vickers, Sr., George Robison, Georgia Dominick, Robin Wade, Randy Moore, Rick Nichols, Kate Heddrich, Julie Brinson, Ceaser Bryant, Moana Karstater, Icy Lee Neel, Frances Robison, Emily Hubbard, Mike Dowers, Jason Lockwood, Pat Fisher, Bubba Murray, Bernice Vickers, Jerry Collins, Grady McMillan, Kerry Goode, Chris Schnieder, Liz Charbonnet Talmadge, John Day Peake, Jr., A. J. Villars, Kaye Koffler, Tay Morrisette, Robert L. Hatcher, Mary Katzman, Jennifer Strong, David Keniston, Zaidee Galloney, Maggie Behlen, Chrissie Irby, Adele Stuardi Gwatkin, Lydia Moore, Bill Betbeze, B. F. Paty Daves, Ralph Boudreaux, Tommy Roberson, Billy Bailey, Henry Trice, Pete and B.J. Cobb, Cathlene Quizon, The Rev. John Rees, Rip Nance, Charlie Mae Moreé, John Houston Tatum, Jr., Mary Christine Wilson, E. J. Boudreaux, Allison Robinson, Randy Batiste, Louise Batiste, Iris LaCoste, Susan Farr, Robert Zarzour, Christina Stanley, Katherine Carver, Lisa Clement

For Those Serving in the Military:

Brian Caselton, Louis Coggin, Jonathan Duralde, Tyler Gamble, Sam Garcia, Darrien Gibson, Parker Hollinghead, Kelley Hood, Brian Hudson, Abby Hutchins, Randy Johnson, Ron Lansong, Jean-Michael Lemieux, Chris Marslender, Zack Miller, Todd & Jordana Mouthaan, Keith Moss, Michael Nassar, Jerry Olin, Brian Pennell, Josh Power, Daniel White-Spunner Reed, Susan Reniewicz, Evan Sizemore, John Snyder, Conner Thigpen, Ryan Anthony Thomas, Ryan Walker, The Rev. Bowen Woodruff, Tom Pearce, Colton Ulmer, Margie Hall Malloy

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Kenya

Cathedral Cycle of Prayer: St. Paul's, Foley; Sara Phillips, Pastoral Leader, St. Mary's, Coden

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer: The Church in Eritrea and Ethiopia, and The Holy Church of God in Christ, Mobile.

Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer: Santa Rosa Correctional Institution, Milton, Florida.

Repose of the Soul: Amiel Word Brinkley, Jr.

Flowers: The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of Sally St. John Webb, and in thanksgiving for the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Robbie Lynn and Sonny Irvine, and in thanksgiving for the Thigpen-Russell families.

CATHEDRAL NOTES

May 1, 2016



EYC

Today, May 1

Our youth have a study break from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at IHOP (3912 Airport Blvd). The approximate cost is \$20. For more information, please see Sarah Bolt.



ADULT CHRISTIAN

EDUCATION

Today, May 1

Fall Planning Meeting in the chapel immediately following the service.



UNITED THANK

OFFERING INGATHERING

Sunday, May 8

United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of the Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through United Thank Offering, men, women, and children nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. These prayers of thanksgiving start when we recognize and name our many daily blessings. United Thank Offering is entrusted to promote thank offerings, to receive the offerings, and to distribute the UTO monies to support mission and ministry throughout the Episcopal Church and in invited Provinces of the Anglican Communion in the developing world.

UTO is a project of the Episcopal Church Women. UTO materials are available on the Ministry table.



MORNING CIRCLE

Monday, May 9

At the home of Happy Grehan, 257 Dilston Lane
For directions, call Happy at 316-3622.
For information on Morning Circle, call Carolyn Stephenson at 342-5637.



FORWARD DAY BY DAY

Daily devotionals for May, June and July are available on the ministry table.



GRADUATION

We will celebrate our high school graduates on Sunday, May 15. Please let us know if you have a senior for us to recognize.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Tuesday, June 7 – Thursday, June 9
Egypt: Joseph's Journey from prison to palace

SPEND A LITTLE WHILE ON THE NILE!

Alison Mitchell and her VBS team are busy planning for VBS 2016. Volunteers of all ages needed.

Sign-up online to register your child or volunteer at www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/christchurchcath

Questions? Please contact Alison Mitchell at alisonmitchell2@gmail.com or 689-7874.