

CHRIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Cashiers, North Carolina



**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
THE HOLY EUCHARIST
8 MARCH 2026 | 10:30 AM**

Welcome

We welcome all who are worshipping with Christ Anglican Church today. We are thankful for God's Spirit joining us together in corporate worship.

Our Guests

We invite you to complete a Connect Card (located on the pew back) with your name and pertinent contact information and any needs you would like the CAC staff to address. Please tear the card in half and place the completed portion in the offering plate or give to the Rector as you leave today. You may wear a name tag so we can greet you by name. Please sign the guest book in the narthex.

Name Badge

Everyone is encouraged to wear your name badge located in the Narthex. If you do not have one and would like one, please contact the church office and one will be created for you. You do not have to be a member of the church to receive a nametag.

Prepare for Worship

It is essential for all in worship to enter the sanctuary in quiet reverence for the triune God and cultivate a posture and spirit of prayer. You are encouraged to take a few moments in silent meditation as you prepare for worship. You may read one of the prayers on page 676 of the Book of Common Prayer, read one of the hymn texts, read one of the Scriptures appointed for today, or pray your own prayers of thanksgiving and petitions as you ask the Lord to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

*The Service begins on page 123 of the **Book of Common Prayer** (BCP) or you may follow along in the service sheet. Our hymns are found in the **Worship and Rejoice Hymnal** (WRH) and the Scripture Texts are in the **Pew Bible**. If you are new to the Anglican way of worship, you will find assistance in the "Worship Overview and Preparation" handout in the narthex or under "Anglican Helps for Worship" on our website.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

Kyrie Eleison

Franz Schubert

THE PEALING OF THE CHURCH BELLS

The People are invited to stand and sing the processional hymn.

THE PROCESSION

Come Away from Rush and Hurry

WRH 655

The People remain standing.

THE ACCLAMATION

BCP 105

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People *His mercy endures for ever.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 106

The Celebrant and people say

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 DECALOGUE

BCP 100

Celebrant God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods but me.

People *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

People *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant You shall not murder.
People ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***
Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.
People ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***
Celebrant You shall not steal.
People ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***
Celebrant You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
People ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***
Celebrant You shall not covet.
People ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.***

Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:6-21

THE KYRIE

BCP 124

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.
People ***Christ, have mercy upon us.***
Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 107

Celebrant The Lord be with You.
People: ***And with your spirit.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The People are seated.

THE CHILDREN'S MINUTE

The people remain seated for the reading of God's Word.

THE WORD OF GOD

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

The reader and people read responsively by half-verse.

THE PSALTER VERSES

Psalms 95

BCP 394

¹O come, let us sing unto the LORD; *

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

²Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

³For the LORD is a great God *

and a great King above all gods.

⁴In his hand are all the depths of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

⁵The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands prepared the dry land.

⁶O come, let us worship and fall down, *

and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

⁷For he is our God, *

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

⁸Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts *

as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness,

⁹When your fathers tested me, *

and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works.

¹⁰Forty years long was I grieved with this generation and said, * “

It is a people that err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways,”

¹¹Of whom I swore in my wrath *

that they should not enter into my rest.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 1:16-32

Bible 939

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.” ¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. ¹⁹For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. ²¹For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²²Claiming to be wise, they became fools, ²³and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things. ²⁴Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, ²⁵because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen. ²⁶For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; ²⁷and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error. ²⁸And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done. ²⁹They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, ³⁰slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, ³¹foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. ³²Though they know God’s righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The People stand to sing the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel Lesson.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN ***I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*** (Stanzas 1&2) WRH 506

Deacon The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 4:5-26, 39-42

Bible 889

So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. ⁷A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God

is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”²⁵The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”²⁶Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.”⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of his word. ⁴²They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (Stanza 3)

WRH 506

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 127

All Standing, Celebrant and People say

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

All Kneeling

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and ever living God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your Holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially Donald, our President, and Josh, our Governor, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servant, Steve, to Julian, our Provincial Dean, to Foley and Frank, our Bishops, to Marc, our Interim Priest-in-Charge and to Nick, our Assistant Priest that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation and to The Shoals Anglican Mission in Florence, Alabama that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom, throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of

all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially persecuted Christians in Uzbekistan, Niger, Tajikistan, Laos, and all those on our parish prayer list. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We remember before you all your servants, who have departed this life in your faith and fear that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

The Celebrant Concludes with this Collect.

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. *Silence*

All remain kneeling and say

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 Celebrant says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 130

The Celebrant says

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matt.11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

THE PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

All stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY

TALLIS' CANON

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow, praise Him all crea-tures here be - low;
 praise him a-bove ye heaven-ly host, praise Fath-er, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,
People ***And of your own have we given you.***

All Remain Standing

HOLY COMMUNION

THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP 132

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And with your spirit.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them up to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People Say

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 PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 134

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 135

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

BCP 136

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People have mercy on us.

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People have mercy on us.

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People grant us your peace.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays 9:00 AM – Coffee, Treats, and Fellowship! Enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ before Christian Formation time.

Sundays 9:15 AM – Adult Christian Formation.

Sundays 10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist

Wednesdays 5:00 PM – Bible Study in the Parish Hall

Thursdays 10:30 AM – Women’s Bible Study at the home of Melisa Loudermilch, 338 Saratay Falls Drive, Cashiers.

Fridays 9:45 AM – Moms in Prayer Contact: Lisa Fore lisafore21@gmail.com

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