

# GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

April 15, 2022

7:00PM – In-Person & Online

Given into the hands  
of sinners

GOOD FRIDAY

*We welcome you today, and always, just as you are: content or wiggly, confused or confident. Masking is always welcome for whatever reason. All directions for sitting, standing, and kneeling are “as you are able”. If you need assistance of any kind, ask a neighbor or an usher.*

*Congregation shares in saying the words in **bold**.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

There is a green hill far away (*Horsley*)

H 167

*All Stand.*

1 There is a green hill far a - way, out - side a ci - ty wall,  
2 We may not know, we can - not tell, what pains he had to bear,  
\*3 He died that we might be for - given, he died to make us good,  
\*4 There was no o - ther good e - nough to pay the price of sin,  
5 O dear - ly, dear - ly has he loved! And we must love him too,

1 where our dear Lord was cru - ci - fied who died to save us all.  
2 but we be - lieve it was for us he hung and suf - fered there.  
3 that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his pre - cious blood.  
4 he on - ly could un - lock the gate of heaven and let us in.  
5 and trust in his re - deem - ing blood, and try his works to do.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*All Stand.*

*Presider:*

Blessed be our God,

*People:*

**For ever and ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*All Remain Standing.*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray. Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Wisdom 2:1,12-24

*All are Seated.*

A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

<sup>1</sup>For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, "Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades."

<sup>12</sup>"Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training.

<sup>13</sup>He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord.

<sup>14</sup>He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;

<sup>15</sup>the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange.

<sup>16</sup>We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father.

<sup>17</sup>Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;

<sup>18</sup>for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.

<sup>19</sup>Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance.

<sup>20</sup>Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected."

<sup>21</sup>Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them,

<sup>22</sup>and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness, nor discerned the prize for blameless souls;

<sup>23</sup>for God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity,

<sup>24</sup>but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM: Psalm 63:1-29

*All Remain Seated. Psalm is read responsively by WHOLE verse.*

<sup>1</sup>O God, you are my God, I seek you,  
my soul thirsts for you;  
my flesh faints for you,  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**<sup>2</sup>So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.**

<sup>3</sup>Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**<sup>4</sup>So I will bless you as long as I live;  
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

<sup>5</sup>My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

**<sup>6</sup>when I think of you on my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;**

<sup>7</sup>for you have been my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

**<sup>8</sup>My soul clings to you;  
your right hand upholds me.**

<sup>9</sup>But those who seek to destroy my life  
shall go down into the depths of the earth;

**<sup>10</sup>they shall be given over to the power of the sword,  
they shall be prey for jackals.**

<sup>11</sup>But the king shall rejoice in God;  
all who swear by him shall exult,  
for the mouths of liars will be stopped.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:16-25

*All Remain Seated.*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

[After the Holy Spirit says,] <sup>16</sup>“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” <sup>17</sup>he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” <sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

Eja, Mater, fons amoris, me sentire vim doloris fac, ut tecum lugeam.

Translation: *Come now, O Mother, fountain of love, make me feel the power of sorrow that I might mourn with you.*

GOSPEL John 18:1 — 19:42

*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.*

*The Passion Gospel may be read or chanted by lay persons.*

*The congregation takes the part of the crowd. The congregation says the **Bold** part aloud.*

*The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha (John 19:17), the asterisk (\*) indicates a posture change from Sitting to Standing. Then kneel or sit at part which mentions Jesus giving up his spirit.*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered.<sup>2</sup> Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples.<sup>3</sup> So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons.<sup>4</sup> Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?"<sup>5</sup> They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them.<sup>6</sup> When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground.<sup>7</sup> Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth."<sup>8</sup> Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go."<sup>9</sup> This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me."<sup>10</sup> Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus.<sup>11</sup> Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

<sup>12</sup> So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.<sup>13</sup> First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year.<sup>14</sup> Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jewish leaders that it was better to have one person die for the people.

<sup>15</sup> Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest,<sup>16</sup> but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in.<sup>17</sup> The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not."<sup>18</sup> Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

<sup>19</sup> Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching.<sup>20</sup> Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jewish leaders come together. I have said nothing in secret."<sup>21</sup> Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said."<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?"<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?"<sup>24</sup> Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

<sup>25</sup> Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not."<sup>26</sup> One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?"<sup>27</sup> Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

<sup>28</sup>Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. <sup>29</sup>So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" <sup>30</sup>They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." <sup>31</sup>Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jewish leaders replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." <sup>32</sup>(This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

<sup>33</sup>Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish leaders. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup>Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." <sup>38</sup>Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went out to the Jewish leaders again and told them, "I find no case against him. <sup>39</sup>But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>40</sup>They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

<sup>19:1</sup>Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. <sup>2</sup>And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. <sup>3</sup>They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. <sup>4</sup>Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." <sup>5</sup>So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" <sup>6</sup>When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." <sup>7</sup>The Jewish leaders answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."

<sup>8</sup>Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. <sup>9</sup>He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" <sup>11</sup>Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." <sup>12</sup>From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jewish leaders cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

<sup>13</sup>When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew, Gabbatha. <sup>14</sup>Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jewish leaders, "Here is your King!" <sup>15</sup>They cried out, "**Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!**" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "**We have no king but the emperor.**" <sup>16</sup>Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus; <sup>17</sup>and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called \*The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha.\* <sup>18</sup>There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. <sup>19</sup>Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." <sup>20</sup>Many of the Judeans read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. <sup>21</sup>Then the chief priests of the Jewish leaders said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" <sup>22</sup>Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." <sup>23</sup>When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. <sup>24</sup>So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots." <sup>25</sup>And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And

from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

<sup>28</sup>After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” <sup>29</sup>A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. <sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

<sup>31</sup>Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jewish leaders did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. <sup>32</sup>Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. <sup>33</sup>But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. <sup>34</sup>Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. <sup>35</sup>(He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) <sup>36</sup>These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, “None of his bones shall be broken.” <sup>37</sup>And again another passage of scripture says, “They will look on the one whom they have pierced.”

<sup>38</sup>After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jewish leaders, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. <sup>39</sup>Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. <sup>40</sup>They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Judeans. <sup>41</sup>Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden, there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. <sup>42</sup>And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

*A Long Silence takes place.*

## THE SERMON

*All are Seated.*

## THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

*All Stand.*

*Presider:* Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life. We pray in silent reflection, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

*All Kneel or Sit.*

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world; for its unity in witness and service; for all bishops; for our bishop; for our priest; for our deacon; for our lay ministers; for our diocese; for all Christians in this community; for all servants of the church; for those preparing for baptism, confirmation, reception, marriage, or reaffirmation of vows; for God’s entire creation; that God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

*Silence*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**



Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth; for those in authority among them; for the President of the United States; for the Members of Congress, for the Supreme Court; for Representatives of the United Nations; for all who serve the worldwide common good; for all in economic and healthcare authority that by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

*Silence*

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind, for the hungry and the homeless; the destitute and the oppressed; for the sick, the wounded, and the crippled; for those in loneliness, fear, and anguish; for those who face temptation, doubt, and despair; for the sorrowful and bereaved; for prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger; that God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

*Silence*

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ; for those who have never heard the word of salvation; for those who have lost their faith; for those hardened by sin or indifference; for the contemptuous and the scornful; for those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples; for those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others; ; for those who do not share our trust in Jesus Christ; for those whose hearts and minds are far from acknowledgement of God's mercy and love; for those who abuse your trust and despise the beauty of diversity; that God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

*Silence*

Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

*Silence*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*All are Seated.*

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world.  
But that the world through Him might be saved.

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

## DEVOTION ANTHEMS

*All Kneel or Sit.*

We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;  
**for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.**

May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
**show us the light of his countenance and come to us.**

Let your ways be known upon earth,  
**your saving health among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**let all the peoples praise you.**

We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;  
**for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.**

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,  
**because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;  
**if we endure, we shall also reign with him.**

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,  
**because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

O Savior of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us:  
**Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.**

*All are Seated to consider deeply the cross.*



*All Remain Seated. Only Singing Verses 1, 2, & 3.*

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? \_\_\_\_\_ Were you  
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? \_\_\_\_\_ Were you  
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? \_\_\_\_\_ Were you  
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? \_\_\_\_\_ Were you

1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
 2. there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
 3. there when they laid Him in the tomb? O!  
 4. there when He rose up from the grave?

Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem - ble. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? \_\_\_\_\_

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*All Stand.*

*Presider:* Finally, we pray slowly, line by line, the prayer our Savior taught us:

*People and Presider:*

**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,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**

## FINAL PRAYER

*All kneel or sit.*

*Presider:* Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

*Everyone departs quietly in Silence.*

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## CCRP EVENTS & INFORMATION

*Whoever you are, for whatever draws you to join Christ Church today, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about how to connect and grow through the ministries of the Episcopal Church in this region, and Christ Church Ridley Park, please find the Connect Card under "Dive In" or "Join" on our website: [ChristChurchRidleyPark.org](http://ChristChurchRidleyPark.org).*

**Sponsor Altar Flowers** – Beautify the sanctuary with altar flowers shared “in memory” or “in honor” of someone special. Information on how to donate flowers is located under the “GIVE” button on our website (in the upper righthand corner).

**Bingo** – Support of Episcopalian neighbors at St. James Prospect Park. Win prizes, enter raffles, or the 50/50. Tickets are \$30.00 in advance or \$35.00 at the door. Call 610-461-6698. The event is on Saturday, April 22nd at 7:00PM, and food and drink are welcome.

**Godly Play 2023** – Our interactive storytelling Montessori-based "Sunday School" is open for. Children Pre-K to 5th Grade. Meet in the Whaley Room at 10:15AM. This is the same time as our second Eucharistic Service, which Caregivers are encouraged to attend. Children will rejoin their Caregivers at communion when they are brought to the sanctuary. This invitation is open to any household interested in engaging their children in the sacred epis of the Christian tradition with wonder and hands-on fun.

**Phillies Game!** – Christ Church Ridley Park and two Delaware Deanery churches are going to see the Philadelphia Phillies play on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The game time is 1:30PM. There are limited tickets for \$26.00 each. Call, message, or sign up on Reverend Jane's Office Door!

**Life Center Dinner Volunteers Needed** – Outreach is looking for volunteers to help provide a meal for the Life Center residents on April 12<sup>th</sup>. They need **3** volunteers to prepare the main meal, and several others to donate other individual supplies. The Full List can be viewed on our website. Please sign up by contacting Carole McManus at [carolemcmanus@comcast.net](mailto:carolemcmanus@comcast.net) (e-mail) or 610-509-6614 (text).

**Saving Cards Are Here!** – Save at 14 wonderful local businesses and help us raise funds for the sanctuary gutters. Cards cost \$20.00 and are valid for one year starting Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. **If you already purchased a card, we ask they you bring it back to exchange. New updated cards with corrected information are now available. Thank you!**

**Deppich Scholarships** – Applications are now available! The Earle Deppich Scholarship Fund was established by the Vestry of Christ Church to remember Mr. Deppich and to emphasize the importance that Christ Church held in his life and the lives of many others. Applicants must be affiliated with Christ Church Ridley Park and must have been accepted by or be attending an accredited college, seminary, or trade school. Students are eligible to be awarded the scholarship for four years, but they must reapply annually. The Deadline is Monday, May 8th.



If you've never been a giver or pledging member before, now, more than ever before, is the time to invest in Christ Church Ridley Park with wonder, and work, and wealth. If you haven't been a regular giver before, now is the time to discover the spiritual discipline of sacred giving. It's your support that ensures we can continue to teach, pray, serve, and gather in Jesus' name.

### **Joining from Elsewhere?**

Worship is like art, it is a representation of the relationship of God, community, and self. So, if it is an art, we should use our imagination and body. First, get ready. Turn off distractions and give the whole time to something greater than ourselves. Second, light a candle, place art, or arrange flowers near your screen. During the prelude breathe deeply and stretch your body. During the service: stand, sit, kneel, make the sign of the cross, and bow. Lastly, find something 'artistic' and not distracting to do with your hands to keep the tactile part of worship in your body.

#### **Christ Church Ridley Park (CCRP) Leadership**

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