# **Christ the King Episcopal Church**



The 24th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
November 12, 2023
10:30 am

## Welcome to Christ the King Episcopal Church!

If you are a seasonal guest, we are delighted that you found your way to the "church in the wildwood" and we invite you to consider Christ the King as your church home away from home. If you live in the area and do not have a church home, we invite you to journey with us as followers of Christ in this wonderful community!

A note about our worship service: We understand that newcomers to the Episcopal Church might be a little lost during the worship service. Don't worry — you are in good company! Many of us did not grow up in the Episcopal Church, but were drawn to the way that our worship feels simultaneously ancient and contemporary. So if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Episcopal Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. It is most important that you experience the sights, sounds, and silence of our worship service.

The worship bulletin contains the scripture lessons for the day, and points you to page numbers in the red *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), which is found in your pew rack. At the 10:30 service, hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982*, which is also in the pew rack. There are pamphlets in the pamphlet rack in the church narthex (lobby) that give helpful information about the Episcopal Church. Feel free to pick some up and read through them.

# **Making Connections**

Sometimes called "the parable of the closed door," this story is in the final discourse of Matthew's gospel, which emphasizes distinctions between those who are, and those who are not, ultimately included among faithful followers of Jesus: apparent in his separating sheep from goats, deciding who is included or excluded from the wedding banquet, and even his characterization of the last judgment. Expecting high standards for readiness in cultural, theological, and political aptitudes from the disciples is not bad in and of itself. But the major premise of Jesus' authentic parables was the breaking down of any social barriers. Today's story runs counter to the true message of Jesus. We should exercise caution, and not confuse discipline, which certainly strengthens our lives with God and in community, with faith itself. Out failure to get it right, and our judgment of others, attempts and failures, does not dictate or direct God's love.

## The Entrance Rite

The flowers on the altar today are dedicated in honor of Jim and Vickie Moomaw's 44<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary! Happy Anniversary!

The Prelude: David Ott, Organ

The Welcome & Announcements

The Invitatory & Entrance Rite (standing)

Celebrant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

People Come, let us adore him.

The Ringing of the Bell

The Hymn in Procession (standing)

**Hymn 398** 

# **The Opening Acclamation**

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Collect for Purity & Summary of the Law

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

## The Gloria S 280

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This symbol indicates that this is a moment in the liturgy when it is customary to make the sign of the cross.



# The Liturgy of the Word

# The Collect of the day<sup>2</sup>: Proper 27 (standing)

**BCP 236** 

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

## The First Lesson<sup>3</sup>: Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 (seated)

Illumination: There is no shortcut to wisdom and understanding. Anyone can attain to it, but it does take persistence and hard work to glean it.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A collect is a short prayer that includes an invocation, a petition, and a pleading of Christ's name or an acknowledgment of God's glory. It is called a "collect" because it collects our thoughts for a particular time or season of the Church year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The lessons appointed for each Sunday and for special feast days throughout the year occur on a three-year rotation known as the Revised Common Lectionary. Currently, we are in "Year A."

One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate.

To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.

Lector The word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

## The Response: Psalm<sup>4</sup> 70 (read responsively by <u>whole</u> verse)

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; \* O LORD, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed; \* let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, \* because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \* let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the LORD!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; \* come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; \* O LORD, do not tarry.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Psalms have been called "the Bible in miniature." Originally used as hymns composed for Jewish worship in the Temple in Jerusalem, they date from the tenth century to the third century BC. The Psalm is a "musical" response that is chosen to mirror or echo the theme of the Old Testament lesson that precedes it.

## The Second Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her, and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality, and immortality brings one near to God; so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

*Lector* The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia Acclamation



# The Gospel Lesson<sup>5</sup>: Matthew 25:1-13 (standing)

Illumination: Jesus tells the parable of the wise and the foolish bridesmaids; though they all fall asleep, some have brought extra oil, and some have not come prepared.

Celebrant ■The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>5</sup> The reading of the Gospel symbolizes the presence of Christ during the Liturgy of the Word. When the Gospel is announced, many people make the sign of the cross (♣) three times: on their foreheads, on their lips, and on their hearts. Since we are in Year A, the Gospel lessons are from Matthew's Gospel.

#### Alleluia Acclamation



# The Homily (seated)

# The Rev'd Richard G. Proctor, OA<sup>6</sup>

The period of silence that follows the sermon is a good time to open your Prayer Book to page 358 so that you will be ready for the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed<sup>7</sup> (standing)

**BCP 358** 

# The Prayers of the People<sup>8</sup> (kneeling or standing)

**Celebrant**: Gracious One, you have made us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Enliven us to be alert and responsive to your awakening word, that we may participate in your work of healing and reconciliation, as we pray: Be pleased, O God, to deliver us; O God make haste to help us.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "OA" stands for the ORDER OF THE ASCENSION, a dispersed Episcopal, Benedictine religious community that helps ground and center its members in their daily life and their roles as parish leaders and developers. Members take a promise "to seek the presence of Jesus Christ in the people, things and circumstances of life through stability, obedience and conversion of life." Fr. Richard entered the novitiate process with OA in 2019, and took his life vows in May 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Many people make a solemn bow at the waist during the *Incarnatus* (at the words describing Jesus' birth). Some also make the sign of the cross ( $\maltese$ ) at the words, "We look for the resurrection of the dead," a reminder that resurrected life is promised to all who have been baptized in Christ.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Prayers of the People are written by The Rev'd Lowell Grisham, OA. Each petition includes a reference to one of today's assigned scripture readings.

#### Intercessor:

Awaken the church with such mindfulness and hope, that we will be ready and prepared to welcome you as you visit us with your ministry of healing and reconciliation, peace and justice.

Be pleased, O God, to deliver us;

O God, make haste to help us9

Visit our leaders and all who have authority in the nations and the world, that they may heed the warnings of Amos and the prophets to let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

We pray for Joe, our President; Ron, our Governor and the members of the Walton County Commission.

Be pleased, O God, to deliver us;

O God, make haste to help us.

Come speedily to aid the poor and needy, and let those who take pleasure in misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

Be pleased, O God, to deliver us;

O God, make haste to help us.

Let your love be manifest in this community to fill us with hope and sustain us in constant wisdom, that when Christ comes again with power and great glory, we all may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom. Sanctify the outreach ministries of our parish by the power of your Holy Spirit-especially our partners in ministry at Zihuatanejo Christian Ministries in Mexico and The Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center.

Be pleased, O God, to deliver us;

O God, make haste to help us.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The versicle and response are taken from today's Psalm.

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you. You are our helper and our deliverer. Hear our prayers for all for whom we intercede, especially for those on our parish prayer list.

Let all who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the Holy One!" Hear our prayers of thanksgiving and praise, especially for our Flower Guild of St. Therese.

We do not grieve as others do who have no hope, for we believe that Jesus died and rose again. May God bring to Jesus all who have died, where they will be with the Lord forever. We remember especially Mary Berglund. Be pleased, O God, to deliver us;

O God, make haste to help us.

**Celebrant**: Loving and Faithful God, let your church offer to you worship and prayer that is not mere ceremony or outward ritual, but a sincere renewal of our commitment to your justice and righteousness; lead us to be wise and responsible stewards of your earth and inheritors of the glorious kingdom you have promised through Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit we worship, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.** 

The Confession of Sin and Absolution (kneeling)

**BCP 360** 

The Peace (all stand)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

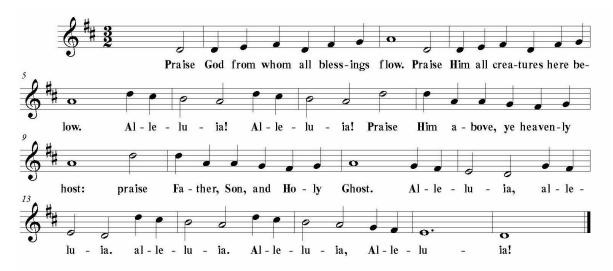
# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory (seated)

At this time, the bread and wine are brought forward and presented at the altar by the Oblations bearers. You can make an offering via text message or QR code, see the green "Give" card in the pew rack. Now is a good time to open your Prayer Book to page 361 for the Eucharistic Prayer

## The Presentation of the Gifts (standing)

At this time, the collection plates are brought forward and presented at the altar.



All things come of thee, O Lord: Celebrant

And of thine own have we given thee. People

The Great Thanksgiving<sup>10</sup> (standing) Eucharistic Prayer A

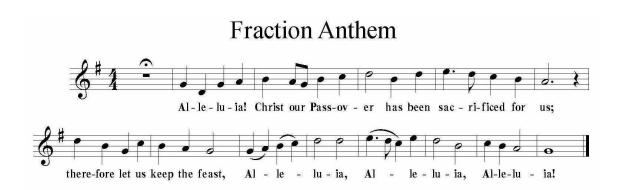
**BCP 361** 

The Lord's Prayer<sup>11</sup> (sung)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> All of the Eucharistic prayers in the Prayer Book are Trinitarian, which means that they all speak of the God we worship as Christians: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each prayer begins with a section of praise to God the Father and Creator of all. This is followed by a section that remembers and makes present the saving work of Jesus, the Son of God. Finally, we invoke the presence of the Holy Spirit to make this Holy Communion real and effective in our own lives.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The music for this setting of the Lord's Prayer was composed by the Rev'd Carl Bright, who served as the first Rector of Christ the King Episcopal Church 1989-2003.





### The Invitation to Communion

All are invited and encouraged to come forward to the altar rail during communion. All baptized Christians, regardless of tradition/denomination, are welcome to receive communion. To receive the Body of Christ/Bread, place one hand over the other, palms facing upwards, and the minister will place the Bread in your hand. To receive the Blood of Christ/Wine, place your hand on the base of the chalice to assist the chalice bearer in bringing the chalice to your lips (or you may dip the Bread in the Wine if you prefer). Those who are not baptized or who are baptized but do wish not to partake in the Eucharistic Elements, cross your arms over your chest, and you will receive a blessing from the priest. If you are interested in the sacrament of baptism, please see Fr. Richard after worship...he'd love to have a conversation with you!

## The Communion Hymn (seated)

Hymn 334

On Sundays when we send out a Lay Eucharistic Visitor, the following is said:

Celebrant

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People

We who are many are one Body, because we share in one bread, one cup.

The Prayer for Mission (standing)

**BCP 365** 

The Blessing<sup>12</sup>

**BCP 366** 

The Hymn at the Procession (standing)

**Hymn 380** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Many people make the sign of the cross (★) during the Blessing.

## The Dismissal 13

The Celebrant says the Dismissal.

People Thanks be to God. (Alleluias are only added during the great 50

days of Easter)

The Postlude: Dr. David Ott, Organ

## Special thanks go out to the ministers of our worship services today:

#### The Altar Server Guild of St. Tarcisius:

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Lee Owen and Mary Gene Dowling

Crucifer: Whip Jones

Torchbearer: Anderson King and Lindsey Johnson

– Gospel Bearer:

#### The Lector Guild of St. Bede

Lector: Emily Proctor

Prayers of the People Intercessor: Nan Jacobs

## The Hospitality Guild of St. Benedict

Usher: Ali Weil and John Finch

- Greeter:

Coffee Host: Dale Dalbey

### The Flower Guild of St. Therese

Flowers: Nan Jacobs

## The Altar Guild of Ss. Martha and Mary

Altar: Jenny Adams

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The service concludes where we began, in the midst of a world where there is great suffering and need. But, we are centered, as Christ was, in a life to be lived and shared. The Eucharist is the work of the people of God together. It is not a service confined to Sunday mornings. Rather, it is a way of life.

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Scott Gilmore - Guitarist sgilmore10s12@gmail.com

Michelle Casady – *Bookkeeper* 

bookkeeper@christthekingfl.org

# Vestry (Vestry meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend.)

Dale Dalbey Rector's (Sr.) Warden

Don King People's (Jr) Warden

Brian Kellenberger At-Large

Meredith Spector Parish Life

John French Adult Formation

Sallie Peebles Pastoral Care

Jim Moomaw Worship

Mark Mahaffey Outreach & Mission

Ruth Johnson Secretary/Tree House Liaison

Tom Potts - Treasurer



#### Monday, November 13

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer(*Sanctuary*)

**8:30AM** – Parent's Bible Study(*Parlor*)

**11:00AM** – Women's Monday Morning Study Group(*Library*)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

#### Tuesday, November 14

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

**7:00PM** – Women's Primary Purpose AA Meeting (*Conference Room*)

**7:00PM** - AA Meeting (Youth Room)

### Wednesday, November 15

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

**8:30AM** - Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

**3:30PM** – CtK Kid's Club (*Parish Hall*)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

**5:30PM** – Youth Group (Youth Room)

**5:30PM** – Vestry Meeting (*Conference Room*)

### Thursday, November 16

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

10:00AM - Centering Prayer (Hughes Library)

 $\textbf{4:00PM}-Evening\ Prayer\ (\textit{Sanctuary})$ 

**6:00PM** – Women's Bible Study(*Parlor*)

7:00PM - Al-Anon Meeting

7:00PM – Women's Primary Purpose AA

Meeting (Conference Room)

## Friday, November 17

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room) 8:00AM – Men's Breakfast & Bible Study 7:00PM – Alcoholic's Anonymous

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Let's help Caring & Sharing of South Walton** make the holidays even more fulfilling for our neighbors in need by donating **non-perishable breakfast items**, such as: cereal, oatmeal, breakfast/granola bars, grits, pop tarts, etc. Kindly place your donations in the C&S box in the Narthex. Gift Cards are also greatly appreciated and can be delivered directly to Stephanie in the church office. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

Angel Tree Tags are now available at Christ the King. Help us spread Christmas Joy to families in our area that are in need. All angels are due back to CtK by November 26<sup>th</sup>. Learn more at christthekingfl.org/angel tree.

Medicine Bottle Reminder Please bring empty medicine bottles and also empty vitamin bottles to CtK. Tommy Fairweather makes sure that all bottles have the information on the bottles taken off. Just bring them to the church! Thanks!

# BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK – HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Vickie Moomaw(14); William Burns(15); Susan Lovelace(16); Cameron Martin(16); Mark Mahaffey(17) & Cheryl Freeze(18)

## **PARISH PRAYER LIST**

**Parishioners**: Emily Vick; Mary Blocher; CoCo Holman; The Huff Family; Rick

Sroufe; Dale Holman; Lynn Crevar; Carl & Jo Bell;

Jacquie Childs; Marlise Reis; Ann Schultz;

Dawn Whitty; Buffy Miller & Lark

Harbeson; Dooley Culbertson

Friends & Family: The Bradley Family; Bonnie Wilson; Anne Sparks; John L. Jernigan III; The Kovach Family; Carol Bomar; Gloria Guthals; Robert Barnett; Judy Fairweather; Rita Shilling; Burrell Elliott; Christy Herndon; Tammy Follis; Teeny Carson; Jason Stanley; Rebecca Balkcom; Cooper Akin; Henry Pegram; Emily Davis; Laura Wheeler; Cristina Fernandez; Brandon Yates; Rosella Sacco; Tricia Spencer; Alex Porterfield; Evie Butler & Judy Owen

Parishioners Serving in the Military and their families: Wilson Hunter; Cinnamon Kellenberger; Anthony Portz; Eric Alexander(Don and Jacquie Childs' son) & John McKenzie(Sonya McKenzie's son)

## **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

CtK Kids Club - Every Wednesday from 3:30-5pm

We are currently learning a musical about Jonah!

Singing, Bible story, crafts and snacks! K-4th grade \$5 donation RSVPCTK.COM

Children's News:

We have a lot to offer on Sunday mornings here at Ctk!

Sunday School for ALL ages from 9:15-10:15am

Nursery for ages 0-4 year olds is opening from 8-noon

Children's Chapel for K-4th graders is during our 10:30am service.

Contact Katie for more info!

850-687-0730

### **Youth News:**

Youth Group meets every Wednesday
Drop off begins at 5:30 p.m. with pick up
at 8 p.m. Any questions, text Ms. Lauren
at 334-701-7777 or email
<a href="mailto:ctkyouth@christthekingfl.org">ctkyouth@christthekingfl.org</a>
Youth Group- Dinner, Fellowship &
Bible Study (\$5 suggested donation)

# ADULT FORMATION NOVEMBER

# What is the Season of Advent really all about? Watch out. God is on the way!

It's not within our own power to make a fresh start. If we're to have a future different from the past, it must come as a gift, something not of our own devising. What we need is a God who refuses to be trapped in eternity, a God who not only cares about us but is willing to show up among us and do something with us, here, now. In Heaven and Earth: Advent and the Incarnation, Rev. Dr. Will Willimon introduces you to the God who does just that, bringing heaven to earth and changing everything. In Advent we celebrate and anticipate the earth-shaking, lifetransforming good news that God is coming to us. Watch out. Get ready. God is on the way.

Join us for this four-week study into Will Willimon's *Heaven and Earth: Advent and the Incarnation* DVD series from Sunday, Nov. 26 through Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> in Sandefur Hall at 9:15AM. All are welcome. You can also order the book in advance at http://bit.ly/3QiMnv0. Please contact John French at (850) 420-9803 or jcfrench3@icloud.com with any questions.

# "Habits of the Household" - A Class for Parents w/ Young Children:

Mondays, 8:30am-10:00am! "Habits of the Household" introduces simple habits and easy-to-implement daily rhythms that will help you find meaning beyond the chaos of family life as you create a home where kids and parents alike practice how to love God and each other. We meet in the parlor on Mondays from 8:30-10 and nursery is open 8:15 to 10:15! RSVP to Rachel rachel.danielle.meyer@gmail.com

## Women's Monday Morning Study Group We meet in the Hughes Library from 11:00 am-noon. We are studying John

Goldingay's *Psalms for Everyone, Book*2. (The cost of each book is \$18.00.) We will use Goldingay's book for his excellent commentary along with the Psalms translations in *The Book of Common Prayer*. We end each class with Noonday Prayer and then have a brown bag lunch and social time together. Please email Karen Potts with any questions or for more information. kpotts5@cox.net

# Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina/Book Study on Thursdays 10:00am-

12:00pm. Thursdays offer several ways to increase our community spirituality. We begin in the library at 10:00 am for 20 minutes of Centering Prayer. We then pray a passage of *lectio divina* at 10:30. (This is a quiet method of letting scripture speak to you.) At 11:00 we read and discuss Intimacy with God, by Thomas Keating. If you would like more information about Centering Prayer please contact John Box at <a href="mailto:boxjohnbox@gmail.com">boxjohnbox@gmail.com</a>.

## Fall Women's Bible Study Join Rev. Emily Proctor (and Church Historian Justo L. Gonzalez) on a 13-week journey with the Gospel of John on Thursday evenings.

For more information, email Emily at Emily.Rose.Proctor@gmail.com or text 850-783-0237.

# Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Every Friday

8:00-8:30 - Breakfast and fellowship
8:30-9:30 - Bible Study and prayer. We are currently studying The Gospel of Matthew. The Bible Study is led by Darold Smith, who is using William Barclay's Commentary "The Gospel of Matthew." Contact Darold Smith <a href="mailto:aristacraft@yahoo.com">aristacraft@yahoo.com</a> for more information.

# CAMPUS MAP



- 1.SANCTUARY
- 2. CHURCH OFFICES
- 3. SANDEFUR HALL
- 4. HUGHES LIBRARY
- 5.PARLOR
- 6.EDUCATION BUILDING: CONFERENCE ROOM
- 7. EDUCATION BUILDING: YOUTH ROOM
- 8. NURSERY
- 9.PLAYGROUND
- 10. THE TREE HOUSE EPISCOPAL MONTESSORI SCHOOL

