

The Evening Service, six o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Ephesians 2:22

- **The Brass & Organ Prelude** – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ..arr. Biery
Mel Jewett, Brian Moore, trumpets;
Mike Boyd, Mark Goodell, trombones; Kay Lovingood, tuba

The Greeting & Words of Welcome.....Dr. John W. P. Oliver, *Missioner*

- † **The Hymn No. 381** (*Trinity Hymnal*)HOLY MANNA
Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

The Invocation

- † **The Hymn No. 296** (*Trinity Hymnal*) CORONATION
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

The Missionary Moment

- † **The Hymn No. 111** (*Family Songs*) I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS
I'd Rather Have Jesus

The Evening Prayer

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Piano Offertory – Wondrous Love arr. Keveren
Dr. Sarah Moore, pianist

- † **The Hymn No. 126** (*Family Songs*).....QUIETUDE
Speak, Lord, in the Stillness (vss. 1-3)
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Scripture Reading.... Genesis 11:27-12:5; Revelation 5:1-10 (pages 8; 1030)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Word of God.
People: Thanks be to Thee, O God.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – THE LINEAGE OF BLESSINGDr. Oliver

- † **The Hymn No. 9** (*Family Songs*) – Channels Only..... CHANNELS ONLY

- † **The Benediction**

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of March 16 – 23

SUNDAY, March 16

8:00 a.m. WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio Broadcast

9:45 a.m.Sunday School

Nursery (Birth-23 mos.) Nursery 1
 Preschool (24-48 mos.) Nursery 2
 K-4 - K-5 Covenant Hall
 Grades 1-3 Children's House
 Grades 4-5 Children's House
 Middle & High School Youth Youth House
 Special Education..... Deacons' Room
 College & Career Upper Room
 Adult..... Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m.Morning Worship..... Sanctuary
On the second hymn, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

4:30 p.m.Augusta Youth Chorale Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

5:00 p.m.Prayer Meeting Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Sanctuary
On the third hymn, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

TUESDAY, March 18

10:00 a.m.Women's Morning Bible Study..... Lammie Home

6:30 p.m. Everyday Evangelism (Ev2) Covenant Hall

WEDNESDAY, March 19

6:30 p.m.Youth Gathering..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m.Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

8:30 p.m.Brass Ensemble Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

THURSDAY, March 20

7:00 p.m.Adult Bible Study: GenesisMoncrief Home

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study: 1 Peter..... W. Jones Home

FRIDAY, March 21

7:00 a.m.....Men's Prayer Breakfast Covenant Hall

SATURDAY, March 22

6:00 p.m. Focus on Missions Congregational Dinner.. Covenant Hall

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Billy Hatcher & Mark Walters.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Mark Goodell, William Jewett & Barry Smith.

The Deacon on Duty is John Norkus.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Mike Boyd & Mel Jewett.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lanier Adams, William Jewett, Andrew Norkus, John Norkus & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty will be Will Crews.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*

Mrs. Becky Saxon, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*; Mr. Mark Dickens, *Evening Organist*;

Mr. Scott Doss, *AV & Social Media Director*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Sexton*

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The Lord's Day, March 16, 2014

The Second Sunday of Lent

A Great Paradox

One of the greatest paradoxes in Christian history is that the church is most pure in times of cultural hostility. When things are easy and good, that is when the church most often goes astray. When Christianity seems identical with the culture and even when the church seems to be enjoying its greatest earthly success, then it is weakest. Conversely, when the church encounters hardship, persecution, and suffering...then it is closest to its crucified Lord, then there are fewer hypocrites and nominal believers among its members, and then the faith of Christians burns most intensely.

–Gene Edward Veith

The Morning Service, 11 o'clock

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sin in His own blood. Revelation 1:5

† indicates the congregation standing; • indicates seating for those detained

To avoid distractions during worship, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

Parents of young children are encouraged to take advantage of the nurseries and Cry Room.

- **The Organ Prelude** – ChoralPeeters
Mr. Perry Barinowski, guest organist

The Prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship.

The Choral Call to WorshipStainer

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed powers,
All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.
O what wonder! How amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings,
Deigns to call me His beloved, lets me rest beneath His wings.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Hebrews 4:14-16

Pastor: Since then we have a great high priest Who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

**People: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize
with our weaknesses,**

but One Who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Pastor: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,

People: That we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Prayer of Invocation..... The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

- † **The Hymn No. 3** (*Family Songs*) RATHBUN

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

† **The Confession of Faith** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;

the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic* Church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen. (*universal)

† **The Doxology** (*Trinity Hymnal No. 731*) OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Invitation to a Faith Expedition Mrs. Fay Deal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession The Rev. Jones

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (Isaiah 55:6-7)

Seek the Lord while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; let the wicked man forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 15:10-21 (*page 643*)

The Response Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,

People: But the word of our God stands forever.

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

The Offertory Anthem Jutland Folk Hymn, arr. Hatfield

When the sea shakes, then I trust my Savior.

When the sea breaks, then I trust my Savior.

And if the sea crumbles into rust, tumbles into dust, yet will I trust my Savior.

When the stars call, then I trust my Savior.

When the stars fall, then I trust my Savior.

And if the stars crumble into rust, tumble into dust, yet will I trust my Savior.

When my heart sighs, then I trust my Savior.

When my heart cries, still I trust my Savior.

And if my heart crumbles into rust, tumbles into dust, yet will I trust my Savior.

† **The Hymn No. 131** (*Trinity Hymnal*) TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

Children of the Heavenly Father

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

The New Testament Reading John 15:18-16:4a (*page 902*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – HOW TO AVOID PERSECUTION The Rev. Jones

† **The Hymn No. 102** (*Family Songs*) – I Have Decided to Follow Jesus ASSAM

† **The Benediction**

† **The Benediction Response** (*sung by all*) – Threefold Amen DANISH
(Trinity Hymnal No. 740)

The Organ Postlude – Prelude and *Fugue* in D minor Bach

Scripture Memory

We pause to review the verses from Scripture that we have been committing to memory in recent weeks. Be encouraged as you recall and meditate on this verse: “You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You” (Isaiah 26:3; Navigator topic: Relying on God’s Resources).

Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Our hope is that as the Word is preached, as prayers are lifted up, and as hymns and anthems are sung, you will be blessed by the corporate worship of the triune God and will return to worship with us again soon. One of our Elders will be stationed near the piano following the service should you desire to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member here, or how to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Evening Worship

The service this evening is something of a preparatory service for Christ Church’s Focus on Missions on March 22-23 with Drs. Steve and Sherri Letchford. Wonderful hymn-singing, a great part of the Sunday evening service, will be followed by a sermon by Dr. Oliver giving a sweeping, biblical look at world evangelization. Be a Sunday evening church attendee!

Pray for Our Missionaries

Remember these missionaries and organizations designated for special prayer in our worship services today and in your daily prayers this week:

Eliseo and Paula Guadagno, *Operation Mobilization, Italy*

Heritage Academy, *Augusta, Georgia*

Tim and Lana Higginbotham, *NAIM, Vancouver, Canada*

Kermit and Cheryl Horn, *World Team, France*

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

A concentrated time to increase awareness and involvement in world evangelization is FOCUS ON MISSIONS, the beginnings of a missions conference, on March 22 and 23 with Drs. Steve and Sherri Letchford speaking. On Saturday night following a congregational supper at 6:00 p.m., they will team up to share about their life-work as career missionaries and help us see the extraordinary Africa Inland Mission complex at Rift Valley, Kenya, where Steve serves as a Pediatrician and Internist, and Sherri heads up the physical therapy department. On Sunday, Sherri will speak to a combined Sunday School class, and Steve will speak in the morning and evening services. Be certain to have these times marked on your calendars to be present for all four sessions.

Christian Sympathy

Christian sympathy is extended to Sylvia and Justin Knauf on the death of his sister, Virginia Lenhard, on February 21 in Rochester, NY.

I am the resurrection and the life. – John 11:25

Other Announcements

Focus on Missions Congregational Supper – Please make your reservation to attend the catered congregational supper that kicks off our Focus on Missions on March 22 at 6:00 p.m. in Covenant Hall by completing the response form in today’s bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate when passed. You may alternately make your reservation through the church website, christchurchpres.org, under the Welcome tab. *Reservations must be received by Tuesday, March 18.*

Women’s Morning Bible Study – This women’s study of Sinclair Ferguson’s *Let’s Study Philippians* meets every other week from 10:00 a.m. until noon at Erin Lammie’s home, 618 Spring Creek Lane in Martinez. **Childcare is available upon request.**

Everyday Evangelism – Our Everyday Evangelism teams meet again this Tuesday evening at 6:30 for training and outreach. Please take time to pray for these teams as they go in Christ’s name to share the glorious news of Jesus and the free gift of eternal life. May our gracious God open doors and hearts to the message of the Gospel!

Youth Gathering – The Youth will meet this Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Snack supper and fellowship will begin at 6:30, followed by a time of singing, praying and teaching. We continue learning about the Christian mind. Come fellowship and grow with us this Wednesday night.

Adult Bible Study: Genesis – This Adult Bible Study meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Moncrief home, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta. All adults are invited to join the group this Thursday as they enjoy fellowship, food and a faith-strengthening study of the historical book of origins, Genesis.

Adult Bible Study: 1 Peter – This Adult Bible study meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Warren Jones home, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans. Adults of Christ Church are invited to enjoy this practical study of 1 Peter, exploring the divine blueprint for understanding and experiencing genuine hope in God’s eternal plan and provision, while living in the real world of failure, danger and suffering.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast – Men of Christ Church, come join around the breakfast table this Friday at 7:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall. Enjoy fellowship and food, rich discussion of Tozer’s book, *The Pursuit of God*, and conclude by lifting hearts together in a time of prayer.

Church Work Day – At Christ Church we have been richly blessed by God with beautiful facilities, and it is our desire to be good stewards of the gifts we have been given. Please join us on Saturday, March 29, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, for our church work day as we labor side by side, beautifying the church property, making minor repairs to our buildings and enjoying fellowship together.

Vacation Bible School – Join the adventure as we discover God’s treasure. Complete the insert in today’s bulletin to indicate areas you would like to assist in deepening children’s experience with knowing our Savior. You may place the completed form in the offering plate or in the basket on the Welcome Table. Feel free to contact Fay Deal at 803-278-1176 or runningdeal@gmail.com for more information.

Easter Lilies – If you would like to place a lily in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, please complete the form inserted in today’s bulletin and place it in the offering plate, along with payment, no later than Sunday, March 30. The cost of each plant is \$27. Additional order forms may be obtained from the ushers. Please use a separate form for each Easter lily ordered.