

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 Trumpet & Piano Prelude – Before the Throne of God Above...arr. Lopez
Brian Moore, *Trumpet*; Sarah Moore, *Piano*

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

- † The Hymn No. 521 (*Trinity Hymnal*) SOLID ROCK
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

The Evening Prayer

- † The Hymn No. 642 (*Trinity Hymnal*) – Be Thou My Vision..... SLANE

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Piano Offertory – And Can It Be arr. Forrest

- † The Hymn No. 705 (*Trinity Hymnal*) EL NATHAN
I Know Whom I Have Believed
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Reading 1 Peter 5:6-11 (*page 1017*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – KEPT ON A SHORT LEASH..... The Rev. Hammond

- † The Hymn No. 585 (*Trinity Hymnal*)..... HENDON
Take My Life, and Let It Be

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of May 25 – 31

SUNDAY, May 25

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

Young Adult 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, May 27

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

WEDNESDAY, May 28

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

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

THURSDAY, May 29

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study: Genesis Moncrief Home

FRIDAY, May 30

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

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Gene Gojda & Ken Moody.

Ushers are Lanier Adams, Will Crews, Mark Goodell, William Jewett & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty is Barry Smith.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Billy Hatcher & Mark Walters.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Jonathan Kimbrell, John Norlaus & Ed Russell.

The Deacon on Duty will be Charles Kimbrell.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*; Mr. Mark Dickens, *Organist*

Mrs. Shirley McBride, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*

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

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The Lord's Day, May 25, 2014

God's Love

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.

–St. Augustine

The Morning Service, eleven o'clock

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins 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 String Prelude Tchaikovsky
Andante cantabile, from String Quartet No. 1, Op. 11
The Georgia Clay String Quartet
The Prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship.

The Choral Call to Worship MORWELLHAM

Father, I know that all my life is portioned out for me;

The changes that are sure to come, I do not fear to see:

I ask Thee for a present mind, intent on pleasing Thee.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 95:6-7a

Pastor: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

People: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture,

And the sheep of His hand.

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

- † The Hymn No. 38 (*Trinity Hymnal*) JOANNA
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

† **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 HUNDREDTH

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 Youth Missions Moment Dr. Donald Townsend

The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession The Rev. Jones

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 103:8-12)
The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will He keep His anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

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 Choral Anthem Fetteke

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers;
The moon and stars suspended in space.
Oh, what is man, that You are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation:
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man, oh, what is man that You are mindful of him?
O Lord our God, the majesty and glory of Your Name
Transcend the earth and fill the heavens.
O Lord, our God, little children praise You joyfully,
And so would we. Alleluia!

The New Testament Reading Romans 8:18-27 (*page 944*)

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 String Offertory Mendelssohn
Andante, from String Quartet in E-flat Major, Op. 12

† **The Hymn No. 535** (*Trinity Hymnal*) EBENEZER
O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

The Old Testament Reading Genesis 18:17-33 (*page 13*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon - A STRANGE INTIMACY The Rev. Rick Hammond

† **The Hymn No. 498** (*Trinity Hymnal*) HYFRYDOL
Jesus, What A Friend for Sinners

† **The Benediction**

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

The Organ Postlude - O That I Had a Thousand Voices Paul Manz

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: "Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world - the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride in possessions - is not from the Father but is from the world" (1 John 2:15-16; Navigator topic: Be Christ's Disciple).

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today. It is our strong desire that, as prayers are raised, hymns and anthems are sung, and God's Word is proclaimed, our worship will redound to the glory of God and result in the gladness of His people. Indeed, we pray that you will personally be blessed by the corporate worship of the Triune God and return to worship with us again soon. If you would like to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member, or, most importantly, how to have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, please talk with an elder standing by the piano following the service.

Pulpit Guest

Christ Church welcomes The Rev. Rick Hammond back to the pulpit today. In addition to forty years of pastoring churches in Connecticut, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, Rick has taught in adult education programs at Moody Bible Institute and Dallas Theological Seminary and served as Director of Marriage and Family Counseling in Dallas. Rick is married to Stathia and they have two adult children and four grandsons.

Evening Worship

Return this evening to fellowship with God's people around His Word as we gather for Worship at 6:00. The Rev. Hammond will deliver a sermon entitled, "Kept on a Short Leash," from 1 Peter 5:6-11.

Communion and Fellowship Luncheon

Sunday, June 8, we will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during Morning Worship. All communing members of Christ Church are urged to be present. Following the service we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken will be provided for a donation of any amount. Members are asked to bring a generous side dish, salad or dessert to share, and visitors are warmly invited to attend. Please use the response form inserted in today's bulletin to indicate the number of adults and children who will attend. You may alternately respond via the 'Fellowship Meal Signup' link on the Welcome page of our church website, www.christchurchpres.org.

Other Announcements

Vacation Bible School - Things are getting busy! The following dates have been scheduled for preparing scenery: May 26 and 28, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. (painting); May 30, 7-10 p.m. (poster drawing and coloring); May 31, 1-4 p.m. (painting). Join in the fun! Contact Sheila Self, 803-343-9332 or leenshe@gmail.com, if you are able to help.

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

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. Our current study focuses on R.C. Sproul's "Choosing My Religion." Come fellowship and grow with us this Wednesday night.

Adult Bible Study: Genesis - Genesis 8 and 9 are the topic of discussion as this study meets for the last time before recessing for the summer. Join them this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Moncrief home, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta.

Men's Prayer Breakfast - Men of Christ Church are encouraged to participate in this weekly prayer breakfast. Seven o'clock this Friday morning holds a delicious homemade breakfast, great fellowship around the table and a brief devotional before a precious time of prayer!

Missionary Guests - Next Sunday, June 1, Cary (Hanks) and Chris Drinkard will be sharing about their upcoming move to Manila, Philippines, during the Sunday School hour and briefly in the morning worship service. The Drinkards, who have been working with Campus Outreach for a number of years in Augusta and Statesboro, will be leading a team in Manila where they will seek to present the Gospel and make disciples among the Filipino and international students in Manila. You won't want to miss this opportunity to hear how Christ is being introduced to students from many nations which are closed to foreign missionaries.

Augusta Youth Chorale Home Concert - The Augusta Youth Chorale will present its Home Concert on Sunday, June 8, at 5:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Under the direction of Mark Nabholz, this 40-voice choir will have just returned from their fifth annual tour, this year to the Charleston, SC, area. Plan to attend and bring a friend!

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, June 14, 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.

Flowers for the Sanctuary - Do you enjoy honoring loved ones or sharing special events with your Christ Church family? If so, consider signing up to donate flowers on a particular date and then leave the rest to us. The cost will be about half the price normally charged by a florist. With the donor's permission, after the evening service the flower arrangement will be divided into smaller bouquets and taken to shut-ins, sick or hospitalized members, or nursing home residents. For more information contact Linda Jones at 706-447-2546 (email: warrenjones0101@comcast.net) or Anne Bowen at 706-294-5071 (email: abowen@reagan.com).

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:

Grace Cornelison, *Teen Missions International, Malawi, East Africa*
Missionaries in harm's way

Paul Volpitto, *Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship (PEF), Augusta, Georgia*
Bruce and Barbara Wannemacher, *Mission to the World (PCA), South Africa*