

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 Piano Prelude – I Want Jesus to Walk with Me.....Spiritual, arr. Page Mrs. Catharine McClure

The Opening Words of Scripture Dr. John W. P. Oliver, Missioner

- † The Hymn of Praise (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 179*)..... THINE THE GLORY
Hallelujah! Thine the Glory

† The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 130*)..... SHOWERS OF BLESSING
Showers of Blessing

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Piano Offertory – Jesu, Joy of Man's DesiringBach

- † The Hymn of Preparation (*Family Songs, No. 49*) POWER IN THE BLOOD
There Is Power In the Blood

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Lesson I Thessalonians 2:1-12 (*page 986*)

The Response

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

The Sermon – TRUSTWORTHINESSDr. Oliver

- † The Hymn of Response (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 131*) TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA
Children of the Heavenly Father

- † The Parting Hymn (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 679*).....TRUST IN JESUS
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

† The Benediction

The Piano PostludeDuke Street, arr. Pethel
Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

This Week at Christ Church

Week of July 12 – July 18

SUNDAY, July 12

8:00 a.m.WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio, and *wgac.com* Broadcasts

9:45 a.m.Sunday School

Nursery (Birth-23 mos.)Nursery 1

Preschool (24-48 mos.)Nursery 2

K-4 - K-5Children's House

Grades 1-2Children's House

Grades 3-4Children's House

Grades 5-6Youth House

Grades 7-8Youth House

Grades 9-12Youth House

Special Education.....Deacons' Room

Young Adults.....Upper Room

Young FamiliesChurch Office

Adult.....Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m.Morning WorshipSanctuary

On the second hymn, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

12:30 p.m.Fellowship LuncheonCovenant Hall

5:00 p.m.Sunday Prayer Meeting.....Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m.Evening WorshipSanctuary

On the third hymn, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

WEDNESDAY, July 15

6:30 p.m.Youth GatheringCovenant Hall

7:00 p.m.Choir Rehearsal.....Sanctuary

7:30 p.m.College & Career Summer Bible Study...Townsend Home

THURSDAY, July 16

6:00 p.m.Young Families Bible Study.....Parish Home

FRIDAY, July 17

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 George Bowen & McDonald Law.

Ushers are Lanier Adams, Richard Deal, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty is Barry Smith.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Charles McClure & Ora Parish.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Will Creus, Mark Goodell, William Jewett & Barry Smith.

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 & Digital Media Director*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Sexton*

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The Lord's Day, July 12, 2015

True Faith Is Not Idle

A true faith in Jesus Christ will not suffer us to be idle. No, it is an active, lively, restless principle; it fills the heart, so that it cannot be easy till it is doing something for Jesus Christ.

– George Whitefield

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

The prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship. Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices, and respectfully refrain from unnecessary conversation.

- The Organ Prelude – O God, Our Help in Ages Past.....Young
Mr. Walter (Chuck) Wilson, guest organist

The Choral Call to Worship Traditional, arr. Krauss

As I went down to the river to pray, studying about that good ol' way

And who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord show me the way!

O sisters, brothers, mothers, fathers, sinners, come on down,

Come down to the river to pray!

The Guest Choir from Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, South Carolina

Mr. Walter (Chuck) Wilson, director

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 103:1-2; 21-22

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,

Minister: Bless the Lord, all His hosts, His ministers, who do His will!

People: Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

- † The Hymn of Adoration (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 57*).....RIPLEY
Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

† The Prayer of Invocation & Adoration Dr. John W. P. Oliver, Missioner

† **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 Gloria Patri** (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 734*).....MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen.

The Old Testament LessonJeremiah 8:18-22; 9:23-24 (*page 636; 638*)

The Response

Minister: The grass withers, and the flower fades,

People: But the word of our God stands forever.

The Prayer of Confession, Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer (*using debts and debtors*)

The Response to God’s Grace (*Sung by all*) GREEN

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son,

Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One,

Thank You, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,

And leaving Your Spirit, ‘til the work on earth is done.

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedicatation

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

The Offertory Anthem..... arr. Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,

My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!

All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!

Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;

Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!

The Combined Choirs

† **The Hymn of Preparation** (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 518*).....HENDON

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground

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

The New Testament LessonI Thessalonians 1:1-10 (*page 986*)

The Response

Minister: This is the word of God.

People: Thanks be to Thee, O God.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – AS LIGHTS GO OUTDr. Oliver

† **The Parting Hymn** (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 141*)..... GERMANY

God, in the Gospel of His Son

† **The Benediction**

The Organ Postlude – Improvisation on HYFRYDOL Wilson

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ronald Noblett by Kathryn Noblett and Sharyn, along with William and Ross Hickman.

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today. It is our desire that, as prayers are raised, hymns and anthems are sung, and God’s Word is proclaimed, our worship will bring glory to God and gladness to 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 next Lord’s Day. 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 our pastor or an elder standing by him in the narthex after the service.

Guest Choir

It is our special privilege to be joined in worship today by members of the choir from the Church of the Holy Comforter (Anglican) in Sumter, South Carolina, with their organist and choirmaster, Mr. Walter (Chuck) Wilson. Be sure to greet them at the fellowship luncheon following the Service.

Evening Worship

Is there someplace you would rather be this evening than meeting with God’s people in His house? Return this evening for renewal and refreshment in God’s presence through prayer, praise and the proclamation of God’s Word. Dr. John W. P. Oliver will bring the message from I Thessalonians 2:1-12, “Trustworthiness.” Come and worship!

Foster Care Ministry

James 1:27 – Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

We are called to seek out orphans and widows with a deep concern and clear commitment to care for their physical and spiritual needs. In the state of Georgia, there are 11,000 children in foster care who need to hear Christ’s love revealed through the gospel. There are only 3,000 homes available which means children are often moved far away from their community and school to other parts of the state, siblings are split up and older children are placed in group homes.

At Christ Church, Presbyterian, our Faith Family will be establishing a Volunteer Care Community team who will support a local foster family with specific roles such as providing one meal per month, serving as a child mentor or providing occasional respite care. Psalm 68:6 promises that “God sets the lonely into families.” We are looking for volunteers to join together as we build this ministry that will ground Foster Children in a caring, Christian community.

At the beginning of August, we will schedule a one hour gathering to learn more about the Foster Care ministry. Please contact Dessa Edwards at 706-627-9430, dessa.edwards@gmail.com, or Ora Parish at 706-504-6274, oraandnat@gmail.com, if you are interested in volunteering or want more information.

Scripture Memory

This week’s memory verse helps equip us to proclaim Christ by pointing to God’s great provision of salvation in Christ. Let us memorize Revelation 3:20, “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with Me” (Series B: Proclaiming Christ; Topic: Must Receive Christ).

Other Announcements

Fellowship Luncheon – Today, following Morning Worship, we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken and barbecue pork will be provided for a donation of any amount. Members are providing a generous side dish, salad or dessert to share, and visitors are warmly invited to attend.

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 by Lee Self from the book of Jonah. Come fellowship and grow with us this Wednesday night.

Young Families Bible Study – All young families are invited and welcome to join us on Thursday, July 16, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a fellowship dinner followed by a study of David Platt’s book, *Counter Culture*, at 6:45. This study meets in the home of Natalie and Ora Parish located at 609 Woodwalk Lane in Martinez. Feel free to phone the Parish’s at 252-267-2793 should you have questions.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast – Prayer is absolutely critical for the life of faith and the life of the church. Men of Christ Church, join us this Friday as we together seek the face and favor of our great God for ourselves, our families, our church and the world. We begin at 7:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall with food and fellowship followed by a time of devotion and prayer.

Nabholz Reception – On Sunday, July 26, following the evening worship service, we will join in a time of celebration for the Nabholz family’s many years of service here at Christ Church, Presbyterian. Please bring a generous dish on a nice serving platter using the following approach:

A-H: Hot appetizers (e.g. meatballs, little smokies, chicken wings, hot dips)

I-Q: Cold appetizers (e.g. finger sandwiches such as chicken salad, egg salad, pimento cheese, or cucumber; shrimp w/cocktail sauce, fruit or vegetable tray including cold dip)

R-Z: Desserts

Please use the response form inserted in today’s bulletin to indicate the number of adults and children who will attend.

Inquirer’s Class – Are you considering membership at Christ Church, Presbyterian? Or, are you simply interested in knowing more about our church? We are now taking registrations for our next class. This class will explore important questions, such as: What does it mean to be a Christian? What do we believe about God, salvation, the church, baptism and other important matters of faith? Further we will consider practical questions: Why do we worship like that? What is our mission as a church? What does membership involve and why is it important? How can I get involved? If you are interested in becoming a member or simply want to know more about our church, please call the church office (706-210-9090) or sign up at the Welcome Table. Once we know how many are interested in the Inquirer’s Class, we will schedule a class and contact you with the dates and times.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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

Bruce and Barbara Wannemacher, *Mission to the World (PCA), South Africa*

Missionaries in harm’s way are not listed.

AGAPE Ministry, *Augusta, Georgia*

Alliance Defending Freedom, *Scottsdale, Arizona*