

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 – How Great Thou Art ... Swedish Folk Tune, arr. Dale Wood
Mrs. Sue Moncrief

The Opening Scripture Psalm 96:1-4

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.

The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 55).....TO GOD BE THE GLORY
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- † The Hymn – El-Shaddai (Trinity Hymnal, No. 42).....EL-SHADDAI

The Children's Message.....Mr. Landon Gray, Director of Student Ministries

- † The Hymn – Spirit of the Living God (Trinity Hymnal, No. 726).....IVERSON

The Evening Prayer Ruling Elder, Charles McClure

The Offering & the Offertory – A Prayer for Renewal.....Franklin Ritter (Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † The Hymn of Preparation – Speak, O Lord (Family Songs, No. 48)..SPEAK, O LORD
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Gospel Lesson.....Mark 9:14-29 (page 844)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor LEARNING FROM PAST FAILURE FOR FUTURE FRUITFULNESS

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 497)..... MEIRIONYDD
I Need Thee, Precious Jesus

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude – Triumphal March.....Garrett Parker

This Week at Christ Church

Week of January 10 – January 16

SUNDAY, January 10

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

9:45 a.m.Sunday School

Nursery I (Birth-23 mos.).....Nursery 1

Nursery II (24-47 mos.)Nursery 2

Preschool (4 years old).....Covenant Hall

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

Adult.....Assigned Campus Locations

11:00 a.m.Morning Worship Sanctuary

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

4:30 p.m.AYC Rehearsal Sanctuary

5:00 p.m.Sunday Prayer Meeting.....Youth House

6:00 p.m.Evening Worship Sanctuary

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

MONDAY, January 11

6:00 p.m.Session Meeting Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m.Trail Life..... Covenant Hall

TUESDAY, January 12

10:00 a.m.Ladies Bible Study J. Jones Home

WEDNESDAY, January 13

6:00 p.m.Midweek Gathering..... Covenant Hall

6:30 p.m.Student Gathering..... Youth House

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

8:15 p.m.Brass Ensemble Sanctuary

THURSDAY, January 14

6:45 p.m.Women's Bible Study.....Folley Home

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Mike Boyd & McDonald Law.

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

The Deacon on Duty is Charles Kimbrell.

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

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

The Deacon on Duty will be Will Crews.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

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

Mr. Landon Gray, *Director of Student Ministries*

Mrs. Shirley McBride, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*

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

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Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, January 10, 2016

The Wonderful Design of God's Eternal Purpose

God never pursues His glory at the expense of the good of His people, nor does He ever seek our good at the expense of His glory. He has designed His eternal purpose so that His glory and our good are inextricably bound together. What comfort and encouragement this should be to us. If we are going to learn to trust God in adversity, we must believe that just as certainly as God will allow nothing to subvert His glory, so He will allow nothing to spoil the good He is working out in us and for us.

– Jerry Bridges

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 Violin Prelude – The Way of the Cross Leads Home..... arr. David Ritter
Laura Tomlin & Stan Pylant

The Choral Call to Worship arr. Mark Nabholz

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God!

Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the Word?

All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down.

Brethren, pray and holy manna will be showered all around!

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 91:1-4

Pastor: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress,
my God in Whom I trust."

Pastor: For He will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with His pinions,
and under His wings you will find refuge;

People: His faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 30).....ST. ANNE
Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

- † The Prayer of Invocation & AdorationThe Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

† **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;
and 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** (*page 735 in the Trinity Hymnal*)GREATOREX

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, Amen.

The Bible Memory MomentDon Townsend

The Congregational Prayer

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 Response to God’s Grace - (*sung by all*)TOPLADY

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.**

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem - Angels from the Realms of Glory ..arr. Dan Forrest

Angels from the realms of glory wing your flight through all the earth
Ye who sang creation’s story, now proclaim Messiah’s birth

Refrain: Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ the new born King!

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, watching o’er your flocks by night
God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant light. *Refrain.*

Sages, leave your contemplation, brighter visions beam afar.
Seek the great desire of nations, Ye have seen His natal star. *Refrain*

All creation join in praising God, the Father, Spirit, Son.

Evermore your voices raising To the eternal Three in One! Refrain
Catharine McClure & Mark Dickens, *pianists*; Laura Tomlin, *violinist*

† **The Hymn of Preparation** - (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 676*)..... BLOTT EN DAG

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

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

The Old Testament LessonJeremiah 29:1-14 (*page 656*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon The Rev. Jones

EXHORTATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR EXILES

The Hymn of Response - (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 521*)SOLID ROCK

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

† **The Benediction**

The Organ Postlude - The King of Love My Shepherd Is..... Young

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.

Evening Service

It is a bit unsettling to think that it is quite possible to be called, equipped and sent by Jesus to carry out His mission and yet fail miserably. How could this be? Mark shows us how, as he records such an embarrassing occasion in the life of His disciples in Mark 9:14-29. In evening worship, we consider the lesson Christ taught His first disciples – and would teach us – from their failure in a message entitled “Learning from Past Failure for Future Fruitfulness.” If we as individuals, families and a congregation would fulfill the mission Christ has given us, we must learn the lesson our Master would teach us. Let us gather to worship and learn at the feet of the Master!

Upcoming Share Your Faith Workshop

It is not too early to mark your calendar and to make plans to attend the upcoming Share Your Faith Workshop that will be held on Saturday, January 30, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on the church campus. The Share Your Faith Workshop will help you discern where God is working and show you how to join Him in the work. This workshop will equip you with a simple and effective memory tool for presenting the Gospel with clarity and confidence. Further, it will help you learn how to engage people spiritually and pleasantly, so that you will have the opportunity to share the Good News that has transformed your life. We have the best news in all the world. Let us be a church equipped for and engaged in sharing that life-transforming, eternity-changing message of hope in the new year!

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:

Heritage Academy, *Augusta, Georgia*

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

Unnamed for security, *Greenhouse in Paris, France*

Institute for Creation Research (ICR)

Scripture Memory in the New Year

Psalm 1:1-3

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Thank You

The Christ Church staff would like to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude for the generous Christmas gifts. It is a pleasure for each of us to serve you for our Lord. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and consideration.

Other Announcements

Ladies Daytime Bible Study — Ladies, join us for a daytime Bible study Tuesday, January 12, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 at the home of Jenn Jones located at 1062 Conn Drive in Evans. This study of Ecclesiastes: “Sense and Relevance” is being led by Sheila Self. Please call Sheila at 252-622-8097 with any questions. We hope you can join us!

Midweek Gathering — Following the biblical pattern, we devote ourselves to “the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers” (Acts 2:42) and look with expectation to see God move mightily as we join together on Wednesday evenings. This invaluable time of teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer begins with a meal served from 6 to 7. At 6:45 the pastor joins the choir for a time of prayer and then meets with the rest of the congregation in the Upper Room for a devotion in Acts and prayer from 7 to 8 p.m. **If you would like for us to intercede on your behalf, please submit your prayer request(s) to the church office by noon on Wednesdays (706-210-9090 or email to secretary@christchurchpres.org).**

Women’s Evening Bible Study — Ladies, you are invited to join us for a special time of fellowship and study of God’s Word this Thursday, January 14, at 6:45 p.m. We will meet this week in the home of Martha Folley located at 2703 Downing Street in Augusta. Please call Martha with any questions at 706-829-6890.

Student News — Make plans today to join us on Friday, January 29, as we will go bowling at Brunswick National located on Washington Road at 6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship and fun. RSVP with Landon Gray by email to youth@christchurchpres.org by Wednesday, January 27.

Toddler Nursery (2 & 3-year-olds) — We would like to welcome Dianne Rose as a permanent nursery worker. Dianne will be a welcome and familiar face each week as she greets children and parents. Please welcome her to our Christ Church family warmly.

Upper Elementary Class (5th & 6th Grades) — We welcome Sarah Moore as the teacher of this class and are confident that she will be a wonderful addition to our Sunday School teaching staff. We also wish to thank Nikki McGraw for her hard work and dedication over the past two years in this position.

Evensong Service CDs — Compact disc recordings of this year’s Evensong Service will be available in the next few weeks at a cost of \$12 each. *Orders may be placed using the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table.*