

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 Mrs. Sue Moncrief

The Opening Scripture Isaiah 66:1-2

Thus says the Lord: "Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool; what is the house that you would build for Me, and what is the place of My rest? All these things My hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the Lord. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at My Word.

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Family Songs, No. 17)..... HOLY, MIGHTY, WORTHY
Holy, Mighty, Worthy

The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn – Soldiers of Christ, Arise (Trinity Hymnal, No. 575) DIADEMATA

The Hymn – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (insert).. CHILDREN PRAYING

The Evening Prayer Ruling Elder, Billy Hatcher

The Offering & the Offertory Sullivan, arr. Houser (Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Family Songs, No. 45) RESCUE
Rescue the Perishing

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 6 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Lesson Acts 13:1-3 (pages 921)

The Response

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

The Sermon The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor PRAYER AND FASTING FOR MISSIONS

- † The Hymn of Response – (Family Songs, No. 40)..... ST. CATHERINE
Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of February 14 – February 20

SUNDAY, February 14

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-5..... Children's House

Grades 1-2..... Children's House

Grades 3-4..... Children's House

Grades 5-6..... Youth House

Grades 7-8..... Youth House

Grades 9-12..... Youth 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..... Covenant Hall

5:30 p.m. Abbreviated Holy Communion Service..... Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship..... Sanctuary

On the fourth hymn, children in K4 through Grade 6 may exit for the Children's Program.

TUESDAY, February 16

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... W. Jones Home

WEDNESDAY, February 17

6:00 p.m. Churchwide Prayer..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Break of Fast with Dinner..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Student Gathering..... Covenant Hall

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

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

THURSDAY, February 18

6:00 p.m. Young Family & Couples Bible Study..... Parish Home

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home

FRIDAY, February 19

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer..... Church Office

6:30 p.m. Missions Conference..... Sanctuary

8:15 p.m. Youth Missions & Ice Cream Social..... Covenant Hall

SATURDAY, February 20

10:00 a.m. Ladies' Brunch..... Townsend Home

10:00 a.m. Men's Brunch..... Covenant Hall

12:00 p.m. Missionaries' Luncheon..... Hammond Home

5:15 p.m. Missionary Dinner (Children in Children's House) ... Covenant Hall

6:10 p.m. Missionary Reports..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Missions Conference..... Sanctuary

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Glynn Dyer & Ken Moody.
Ushers are Lanier Adams, Richard Deal, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell & John Edwards.

The Deacon on Duty is Stephen Dyer.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Charles Bowen & McDonald Law.
Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Will Creus, Mark Goodell, William Jewett & Barry Smith.

The Deacon on Duty will be Brian Moore.

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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Earnest Love Finds Expression

Within the fellowship of the church, earnest love for one another will find expression in the use of spiritual gifts, not for self-advancement or to draw attention to ourselves, but for the benefit of others.

– Wayne Grudem

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 – My Song Is Love Unknown Vaughn Williams

The Choral Call to Worship – Immortal, Invisible..... Gordon Young

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,

Almighty, Victorious, Thy great name we praise. Amen.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Isaiah 55:1-3a

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 457)..... NETTLETON
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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

† The Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. 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 Gospel Lesson Matthew 25:14–30 (*page 830*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ. **People:** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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*)AMAZING GRACE
Amazing Grace!

**Amazing Grace!—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem – Come, Thou Found of Every Blessing ...arr. Lloyd Pfautsch

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 303*)..... LIEBSTER JESU
Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

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

The Epistle Lesson..... 1 Peter 4:10–11 (*page 1016*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – GOOD STEWARDS OF GOD'S GIFTS.....The Rev. Jones

† **The Communion Hymn** – Here at Your Table, Lord..... BREAD OF LIFE

Here, at Your table, Lord, this sacred hour,
O let us feel You near, in loving pow'r;
Calling our thoughts away from self and sin,
As to Your banquet hall we enter in.

Come then, O holy Christ, feed us, we pray;
Touch with Your pierced hand each common day,
Making this earthly life full of Your grace,
Till, in the home of heav'n, we find our place.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Distribution of the Elements – *Please partake as you are served.*

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

† **The Parting Hymn** – Lord of All Good, We Bring Our Gifts to YouNATIONAL HYMN

Lord of all good, we bring our gifts to You, pledges of love and offerings of our skill;
Through them fulfill Your purpose ever true as our whole life is offered to Your will.

We give our minds to understand your ways; hands, voices, eyes to serve Your great design;
Your flame of love has set our hearts ablaze: thus for Your glory all our pow'rs combine.

Father, Whose bounty all creation shows; Christ, by Whose sacrifice our lives are new;
Spirit, from Whom all life in fullness flows; we give ourselves in gratitude to You!

† **The Benediction**

The Organ Postlude – *Allegro from Concerto in A Minor*.....Vivaldi/Bach

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.

Sunday Evening Worship: A Service of Preparation for Missions

Why would anyone deprive himself or herself of a good gift like food? What is the purpose? What is the desired benefit? These are important questions that we want to consider as a congregation in a message on “Prayer and Fasting for Missions,” from Acts 13:1–3. As we prepare for our third Bible and Missions Conference at Christ Church, let us together learn how God has worked in the past, that we might trust Him to work in the future for the advancement of His Kingdom among us and through us in His world.

Special Day of Prayer and Fasting for Mission

Out of a deep longing and eager expectation to see God pour out His blessings on our third annual Bible and Missions Conference for the advancement of His Kingdom, the Session of Christ Church, Presbyterian encourages all members who are able to set aside Wednesday, February 17, as a special day of prayer and fasting for our upcoming conference. This season of prayer and fasting will culminate and conclude with corporate prayer from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 on Wednesday, followed by a meal together at 7:00 p.m. to break the fast. As the people of God, let us join with faith and fervency to seek God’s face and favor through prayer and fasting for missions!

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Do this in remembrance of Me. Luke 22:19

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is a means of grace instituted by our Lord to commemorate His death and to commune with Him for the nourishment of our souls and the strengthening of His body. We will observe the sacrament during morning worship today. For those who cannot participate due to serving during morning worship, you are invited to join the Rev. Jones and two Elders at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary for an abbreviated Holy Communion service.

Missionary Prayer

Please remember this missionary organization designated for special prayer in our worship services today and in your daily prayers this week:

Trail Life USA

Pray that Christ would be central in all the activities.

Pray for the development of servant leadership in both boys and adult leadership.

Scripture Memory

Romans 8:1–2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Other Announcements

Student News — Join us this Friday for an icecream social following the opening Missions Conference service. We will enjoy a time of testimony, questions and answers with missionaries Glenn & Sharlene Grubb and Doug & Amy Nunziato.

Adult Bible Study, Evans — The Adult Bible Study, Evans will meet Tuesday, February 16, in the home of Linda and Warren Jones located at 503 Thompkins Lane. Fellowship and refreshments begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by a study on Hebrews at 7:30 with special guests, missionaries Dick and Nancy Baggé. Please phone the Jones' at 706-447-2546 with any questions.

Special Midweek Gathering — This week we adjust our schedule in preparation for the Bible & Missions Conference. This day of churchwide prayer and fasting will culminate and conclude with corporate prayer from 6:00 p.m. until 6:45, followed by the break of fast with dinner at 7:00. Students will join the adults. Choir rehearsal will begin at 7:30, and brass rehearsal at 8:30. **Please join us as we seek God's face and favor for our 2016 Bible & Missions Conference!**

Young Family/Young Couples Small Group Bible Study — All young families & couples are invited and welcome to join us on Thursday, February 18, starting at 6:00 p.m. with a fellowship dinner followed by a missions update on the activities of our special guests, missionaries Doug and Amy Nunziato, along with their children. We will meet in the home of Natalie and Ora Parish located at 609 Woodwalk Lane in Martinez.

Adult Bible Study, Augusta—The Adult Bible Study, Augusta will meet Thursday, February 18, in the home of Sue and Ron Moncrief located at 2910 Mayfair Road. Refreshments begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by an update on the activities of John and Liz Steketeer with International Link, a ministry to internationals in the Augusta area. Their presentation will be followed by a time for questions. Please phone the Moncrief's at 706-737-5953 with any questions about this meeting.

Evensong: An Easter Celebration — This year's Easter celebration will be Sunday evening, March 27. Interested in singing celebratory Easter music with the Christ Church Choir and Orchestra? You are cordially invited. Besides our regular Wednesday evening rehearsals, extra practices are scheduled on the following Saturday mornings: March 5 and 19. We gather at 9:00 a.m. for fellowship and then rehearse from 9:30 to 11:00. Come sing with us. We would love to have you. Contact Stan Pylant for further information at 706-210-9090 or email to music@christchurchpres.org.

Evensong Christmas Service CDs — Compact disc recordings of this year’s Evensong Christmas Service are now available at the cost of \$12.00 each. *Orders may be placed using the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table. Please make checks payable to Scott Doss.*

Hospitality Opportunities: Missionaries & Mercer Singers — First we are searching for willing hearts to open their homes to Glenn & Sharlene Grubb during the Missions Conference and for families to host six missionaries for lunch on Sunday, February 21. Please visit the Welcome Table or speak with John Clark if you are able to help with missionaries.

Secondly, there is the opportunity to host the Mercer singers on the evening of Saturday, March 5, for their participation during the evening worship on the following Lord's day. After prayerful consideration, please speak with Stan Pylant, sign-up at the Welcome Table or phone the church office at 706-210-9090 to indicate the number and gender of singers you would be able to lodge in your home.

Sanctuary Flowers — If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one for a very small contribution, please contact Yvonne Clark at 706-738-5020, the Church Secretary Shirley McBride at 706-210-9090 or secretary@christchurchpres.org.