

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 – Sonatina in G Beethoven
Nichols Parish

The Opening Scripture & Prayer of Invocation..... Psalm 89:5-7, 15-16

Let the heavens praise Your wonders, O Lord, Your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord, a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around Him? Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of Your face, who exult in Your name all the day and in Your righteousness are exalted.

- † The Hymn of Praise (Family Songs, No. 4) AUSTRIAN HYMN
Praise the Lord! Ye Heaven's Adore Him

- † The Hymn – Let the Whole Creation Cry (Family Songs, No. 64)..... LLANFAIR

The Anthems of Praise to Our God Children's Choir

Kay Lovingood, *Director*; Sarah Moore, *pianist*; Meribel Pan, *violinist*
The Congregatin will join when directed

Come Offer to the Lord.....Hal Hopson

Come offer to the Lord your thanksgiving; your gifts and offerings bring.
Give thanks for all of life for living; your alleluias sing.
Yes, money is one gift we give, but there are others, too;
For we can share our time and strength, and try God's work to do.

Praise God from Whom all blessing flow; praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Come offer to the Lord your thanksgiving; your gifts and offerings bring.
Give thanks for all of life for living; your alleluias sing.
Yes, money is one gift we give, but there are others, too;
For we can share our love each day, and try God's work to do.

Love One Another Traditional

Love one another, for love is of God. He who loves is born of God, and knows God.
He who does not love, does not know God; for God is love, God is love.

Love bears all things, believes all things. Love hopes all things, endures all things.

The Evening Prayer.....The Rev. Jones

The Offering & the Offertory

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

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Family Songs, No. 25).....MOODY
Grace Greater than Our Sin

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

The Old Testament Lesson Genesis 7:1-16 (page 5)

The Response

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

The Sermon – THE SHUT DOOR The Rev. David Roberts, guest

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 655) HIDING IN THREE
O Safe to the Rock That Is Higher Than I

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of May 15 – May 21

SUNDAY, May 15

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)..... Youth House
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..... Audio/Visual 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..... 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.

7:15 p.m..... Dessert Reception Covenant Hall

MONDAY, May 16

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

TUESDAY, May 17

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

WEDNESDAY, May 18

5:45 p.m. Midweek Gathering Covenant Hall

6:30 p.m. Student Gathering Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Midweek Prayer Upper Room

8:15 p.m. Brass Ensemble..... Sanctuary

THURSDAY, May 19

6:00 p.m.Young Family Bible Study..... J. Jones Home

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

FRIDAY, May 20

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

SATURDAY, May 21

9:00 a.m..... Church Workday Church Campus

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Glynn Dyer & Ora Parish.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Will Crews, Whit Foster, William Jewett & Barry Smith.

The Deacon on Duty is John Norkus.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lanier Adams, Stephen Dyer, William Jewett, John Mongan & John Norkus.

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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Pentecost Sunday

Sure Evidence of the Spirit's Work

And you may know whether it is the Spirit's work by this. Have you been led to Christ, and away from self? Have you been led away from all feelings, from all doings, from all willings, from all prayings, as the ground of your trust and your hope, and have you been brought nakedly to rely upon the finished work of Christ? If so, this is more than human nature ever taught any man. This is a height to which human nature never climbed. The Spirit of God has done that, and He will never leave what He has once begun.

– Charles Spurgeon

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 Prelude – Because He Lives arr. Joel Raney
Mark Dickens, *organ*; Laura Evans Doss, *piano*; Brian Moore, Mel Jewett, *trumpet*;
Mike Boyd, Mark Goodell, *trombone*; Kay Lovingood, *tuba*

The Choral Call to Worship – Because He Lives arr. Joel Raney

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;

Because He lives all fear is gone;

Because I know, I know He holds the future,

And life is worth the living just because He lives.

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to WorshipJohn 4:23-24

Pastor: But the hour is coming, and is now here,

when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth,

People: For the Father is seeking such people to worship Him.

Pastor: God is spirit,

People: And those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

- † The Hymn of Adoration – A Rushing, Mighty Wind FESTAL SONG

A rushing, mighty wind roars through a crowded room,

And tongues of fire upon their heads disperse the people's gloom.

God's Spirit blows the wind and light the blood-red flame;

A Pentecost of tongues explodes in praise of Jesus' name.

Three Thousand souls that day in mind and heart were stirred;

And these were added to the church as they believed the Word.

Lord, make our breath a wind and let our tongues be fire,

And as at that first Pentecost Your people's lives inspire.

- † 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*) GREATORIX

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 Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14 (*page 724*)

The Response Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,
People: **But the Word of our God stands forever.**

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 – Spirit of the Living God IVERSON

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem – Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart.....ERIC NELSON

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art, and make me love Thee as I ought to love.

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear.
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh, teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame;
The kindling of the heaven-descended Dove, my heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.
Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 334)**..... TRENTHAM

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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

The New Testament Lesson Romans 8:5-8 (*page 944*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT The Rev. Jones

† **The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 332)**..... ST. AGNES

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

† **The Benediction**

The Brass & Organ Postlude – Psalm XIX Marcello

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Joey Johnson's birthday today by his wife Margaret.*

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 Worship

“In every place where I cause My name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you” (Exodus 20:24). What a marvelous promise of God to His people! With joyful expectation, we return this evening that our God may come to us and grant His crowning blessing upon this Lord’s Day. The Children’s Choir, under the direction of Kay Lovingood, will be helping us worship through anthems of praise, and the Rev. David Roberts will be bringing the evening message, “The Shut Door,” from Genesis 7:1-16. We invite you to close this Lord’s Day with eyes and ears and hearts focused on God in worship!

Evening Pulpit Guest

Rev. David Roberts graduated from Covenant Theological Seminary and served as an Army Chaplain for 25 years. He and his wife, Sandra, have two grown children and two grandchildren. Prior to his retirement, David served for four-and-a-half years as Assistant Pastor at Redeemer Presbyterian Church here in Evans.

2016 Graduates

If you have a student graduating from high school or college this spring, please notify the church office no later than Tuesday, May 17. Please call the office at 706-210-9090 or send an email to secretary@christchurchpres.org, providing the student’s full name, school and degree earned.

Vacation Bible School: *"The Case of the Baffling Beginnings"*

June 13–17 • 9 a.m. until noon daily

All children, grandchildren and neighborhood children who are four years of age on June 1st through those who have completed fifth grade this year are invited to VBS!

Please take invite/registration cards from the Welcome Table in the Foyer, complete one (or two) for your child(ren) and return it to the VBS basket on that same table. You may also register your child(ren) by visiting christchurchpres.org. Please register by June 5th to allow optimum planning for the children's wonderful experience with Christ our Lord.

Classes will have the following layout: Preschool (4 & 5 year-olds), Primary (those completing kindergarten and first grade), Secondary (those completing second & third grades), and Junior (those completing fourth & fifth grades).

Our theme, *The Case of the Baffling Beginnings*," begins with creation and culminates with Christ.

Please pray for great attendance, cool, clear weather, passion for God's Word and many to see the awesome splendor of our God.

All are invited to our closing program on Friday, June 17th, at noon followed by a picnic catered by our own Enrique Romero. RSVP forms will be in the bulletin on June 5th and 12th for those desiring to join us.

Preschool Sunday School class will meet in the Youth Building until after VBS. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

*"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus." 1 Timothy 2:5.*

Scripture Memory

Romans 8:15-17

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs— heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.

Other Announcements

Grateful Praise to the Lord for the Ministry of Organist — As a body of believers who desire to offer high praise to our majestic God, we give great thanks for the gifts and ministry of Mr. Mark Dickens on the organ. For the past two years, Mark has used the tremendous talents the Lord has given him to enrich worship at Christ Church, Presbyterian. Mark has accepted an offer to serve as organist at another church, with today being his final Sunday at CC,P. We will greatly miss Mark, and pray for the Lord's blessing upon him and his family in their new place of service. There will be a dessert reception for Mark after today's evening service in Covenant Hall to express our love and thanks for him and his ministry. All are invited and asked to bring a dessert to share. Beverages are being provided by the choir.

We further want to offer grateful praise to our God for His gracious provision of Mrs. Laura Doss as the new organist at CC,P. She has played piano and organ at CC,P in years past, and we are tremendously thankful to have her and the Doss family back with us. Please make them feel welcome. May the name of our God ever be praised!

Adult Bible Study, Evans — The Adult Bible Study, Evans will meet Tuesday, May 17, 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. Please phone the Jones' at 706-447-2546 with any questions.

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. We begin 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).**

Young Family/Young Couples Small Group Bible Study — All young families & couples are invited and welcome to join us on Thursday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m. for a fellowship dinner marking the completion of this study. We will meet in the home of Jenn and Josiah Jones located at 1062 Conn Drive in Evans.

Adult Bible Study, Augusta — The Adult Bible Study, Augusta has now concluded their study session and will meet Thursday, May 19, for a fellowship dinner in the home of Sue and Ron Moncrief located at 2910 Mayfair Road. Please phone the Moncrief's at 706-737-5953 with any questions.

Church Workday — Make plans to join us on Saturday, May 21, beginning at 9 a.m. in being good stewards of God's rich blessings. There will be opportunities for everyone to help beautify our lovely church and campus; allowing for a welcoming environment for all.

Ministry to the Persecuted Church — The Diaconate has partnered with Voice of the Martyrs, a ministry dedicated to assisting the persecuted church worldwide. We have an opportunity to encourage and assist the persecuted church through the VOM Action Pack Ministry. We give thanks for the response of CC,P in taking Action Packs to fill. In the lobby, there is a table with a large map showing the persecuted church, as well as additional Action Packs and prayer commitment cards. Each Action Pack is a pre-printed vacuum bag which you may fill with the listed items included with the pack. After you have finished, please return the bag to the collection bin located beneath that same table. When all Action Packs are returned, they will be shipped to Voice of the Martyrs who will add a Bible or gospel story book for distribution in places like Sudan, Iraq and Pakistan.

Missionary Prayer

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

Child Evangelism Fellowship, Augusta, Georgia

Praise God that 209 children prayed to receive Christ this year through local Good News Clubs. Pray that God will open the hearts of more churches to adopt schools in Richmond County.