

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. Sarah Moore

The Opening Scripture..... Colossians 3:16-17

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 705).....EL NATHAN
I Know Whom I Have Believed

† Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn – Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting (Trinity Hymnal, No. 188).... TRANQUILLITY

The Hymn – Jesus Is All the World to Me (Trinity Hymnal, No. 653).....ELIZABETH

The Evening Prayer

The Offering & the Offertory

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

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 699)..... WYE VALLEY
Like a River Glorious

The New Testament Lesson..... Colossians 2 (page 983)

The Response

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

The Sermon.....Dr. John W. P. Oliver, Missioner
THE COSMIC CHRIST BELOW

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 523)..... WAKEFIELD
My Hope Is in the Lord

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of July 10 – July 16

SUNDAY, July 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-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.....Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m.Morning Worship..... Sanctuary

On the final verse of the second hymn, children in Kindergarten may exit for Catechism.

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

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

TUESDAY, July 12

7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting Church Office

WEDNESDAY, July 13

6:15 p.m. Brass Ensemble..... Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. College Men's Bible Study..... Townsend Home

FRIDAY, July 15

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

7:00 p.m..... Students: Aug. Greenjackets.....Lake Olmstead Stadium

Assisting in the Services

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

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

The Deacon on Duty is Barry Smith.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Will Creus, Whit Foster, William Jewett & John Edwards.

The Deacon on Duty will be John Edwards.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Stan Pylant, *Director of Music*; Mrs. Laura Doss, *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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Colossians

The Epistle to the Colossians is essentially Christ centered. Faced with the spread of false teaching, Paul turns believers' minds and hearts to the Person and work of Christ, with Whose glory he himself is so taken up. For this reason it has a message for the church in every age, and possibly especially for our own day. Amid all the cross currents of thinking and practice in the church at large, there is a need for a firm re-assertion of the Lordship of Christ Who alone is Head of the Church, and Whose Word must be the final authority.

– Herbert M. Carson, *erstwhile Vicar, St. Paul's Church, Cambridge, England*

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 Brass Prelude – Great Is Thy Faithfulness..... arr. Zimmerman & Marvin Brian Moore, Mel Jewett, *trumpet*; Mike Boyd, Mark Goodell, *trombone*; Kay Lovingood, *tuba*

The Choral Call to WorshipALL THE WORLD

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King,

The heav'ns are not too high, His praise may thither fly;

The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 106:1-3

Pastor: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

For His mercy endures forever.

People: Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord?

Who can declare all His praise?

Pastor: Blessed are those who keep justice,

And he who does righteousness at all times!

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 80).....RIPLEY
Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

† 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 Lesson.....Psalm 37:1-9 (*Read responsively, Trinity Hymnal, page 797*)

The ResponseIsaiah 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..... TRUST IN JESUS

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus
'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

The Offertory Anthem - Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts.....Claude Bass

O Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, Thou light of men,
From the best bliss that earth imparts, we turn unfilled to Thee again.
Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; Thou savest those that on Thee call;
To them who seek Thee Thou art good, to them who find Thee, all in all.
Our restless spirits yearn for Thee where'er our changeful lot is cast;
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see, blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.
O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright!
Chase the dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world Thy holy light!
Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation** - (*Family Songs, No. 126*).....QUIETUDE

Speak, Lord, in the Stillness
On the final verse, children in Kindergarten may exit for Catechism.

The New Testament Lesson Colossians 1 (*page 983*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon - THE COSMIC CHRIST ABOVE..... Dr. Oliver, *Missioner*

† **The Hymn of Response** - (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 138*) GERMANY
The Heavens Declare Your Glory, Lord

† **The Benediction**

The Brass Postlude - Crown Him with Many Crowns...arr. Rowland & Ruppert

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.

Pastor's Vacation and CC,P Mini-Bible Conference

On July 10th and 17th, Pastor Jones and family will be away in Montana on vacation. Please pray for their safety and refreshment while away.

Also, join us in welcoming Dr. John W. P. Oliver, missionary-in-residence, to the pulpit these two weeks. Dr. Oliver will be preaching a mini-Bible Conference from Colossians during these morning and evening services.

Officer Nominations

Nominations are being received from the congregation for church officers. Nominations will be accepted starting Sunday, July 10th, for four weeks; ending Sunday, July 31st. Separate forms are available on the Welcome Table for the offices of Elder and Deacon. Please complete nomination forms and give them to an usher or church officer. Required training and examinations will be scheduled following the nominating period. Pray that the Lord of the church will bless us with the gifts we need for faithful service in the years to come.

Our Nurseries Runneth Over!

The good news is that our Nurseries I and II are filled with babies and toddlers! However, this leads to a need for more volunteers, especially during morning worship and an urgent need for Nursery I during evening worship.

Although we are blessed to have 3 paid workers for Sunday school and morning worship, they are not sufficient to cover this number of children adequately.

Please prayerfully consider volunteering; especially in Nursery I (baby) during evening worship. If you can help with either of these areas, please contact Monica Boyd (*mhboyd@com-cast.net*) for Nursery I and Helen Caldwell (*hcaldwell@georgiabankandtrust.com*) for Nursery II.

"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward." Psalm 127:3.

Missionary Prayer

Please remember our two students going on summer missions as well as the missionary organization designated for special prayer in our worship services today and in your daily prayers this week:

- Virginia Lammie, *Teen Missions International, Poland*
- Teaching English, sharing faith through puppets and plays and dismantling a roof in Jawor to be repurposed at a later time.
- Randy Self, *Teen Missions International, Trinidad*
- Building a security wall around a church and assisting with a vacation Bible school.

Scripture Memory Review

Romans 8:26-27

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And He Who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Other Announcements

Symposium on Religious Persecution — Informed Christians are sadly aware of the erosion of religious freedoms in our beloved country. As our society continues to embrace relativism and a newly defined tolerance, freedoms will decrease, bringing a sharp increase in religious persecution. What our brothers and sisters have faced throughout the Christian era in other parts of the world may be coming in our direction more quickly than anticipated. Antagonism, with its attendant emotional, financial and even physical consequences, is upon us.

How American believers respond to God's sovereign plan for us to use these opportunities to grow spiritually, serve faithfully and stand honorably for His glory will be largely determined by our biblical grasp of truths relating to these challenges. Let there be no fear, no alarmism, no despair, no appeal to the "good old days." Let us prepare to think and act, pray and serve, leaving the future to God, Who alone plans and therefore knows the outcome.

All adult classes will convene in Covenant Hall each Sunday morning, July 10 through September 4, from 9:45-10:30 for the Symposium on Religious Persecution. All post-high school adults are encouraged to attend.

Children's Programs Break — The Children's Catechism for first through fourth grades will break through the month of July and these children will remain in morning worship with their family. Catechism for Kindergarten will continue to meet as planned during morning worship.

Children's Choir during the evening worship will be on break through the month of July. Rehearsals will resume on August 7. Likewise, these children will remain in evening worship with their family.

The King's Brass — Coming in concert Monday, August 1, at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar today to be sure you get to enjoy this wonderful experience in the Lord.

Upcoming Inquirer's Class — Are you considering membership at Christ Church, Presbyterian? Or, do you simply want to know more about our church? Don't miss the upcoming Inquirer's Class that will be held on August 26th and 27th (Friday: 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; Saturday: 9 a.m. until noon). 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 being a part of this class, please call the church office (706-210-9090) or sign up at the Welcome Table. Childcare will be provided.

International Link — The International Link (IL) is a local ministry working to reach internationals visiting America for work or education purposes with the gospel of Christ. They reach out through teaching English as a second language and by providing various needs. IL will hold a teacher training to prepare people to teach English as a Second Language on Friday and Saturday, August 5th and 6th, in Murphy Hall (across from 1st Presbyterian Church located at 631 Telfair Street in Augusta). The Friday session will be held from 6:15 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. and the Saturday session from 8:45 a.m. until 5:15 p.m. The cost is \$45 per person or \$50 per couple, which includes materials, snacks and meals for both sessions. Qualifications are speaking English and loving the Lord. If you feel led of the Holy Spirit to join this wonderful ministry or if you would like additional information, please email Liz Steketee at *liz@theinternationallink.com* or phone her at 706-799-4427. Registration forms are due by July 20th.