

## 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** – Come Thou Fount.....arr. Wendy Stevens  
Leanora Parish

**The Opening Scripture**..... Isaiah 55:1-3a  
Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, and let your soul delight itself in abundance. Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live.

- † **The Hymn of Praise** – (Family Songs, No. 99) ..... FATHER'S LOVE  
How Deep the Father's Love for Us

† **Prayer of Invocation**

**The Hymn** – (Family Songs, No. 13).....MY SAVIOR'S LOVE  
I Stand Amazed in the Presence

- † **The Hymn** – Victory in Jesus (Family Songs, No. 82)..... HARTFORD

**The Evening Prayer**

**The Offering & the Offertory**.....arr. Lopez  
How Deep the Father's Love for Us  
Sarah Moore, *pianist*; Brian Moore, *trumpeter*  
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Family Songs, No. 130) ..... DIM OND JESU  
Here Is Love, Vast as the Ocean

**The New Testament Lesson** ..... Colossians 3:18-4:18 (page 984)

**The Response**

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

**The Sermon**.....Dr. John W. P. Oliver, *Missioner*  
LIVING FOR THE COSMIC CHRIST

- † **The Hymn of Response** – (Family Songs, No. 93) ..... HIGHER GROUND  
Higher Ground

† **The Benediction**

**The Piano Postlude** – Sonata in G Major..... Beethoven  
Leanora Parish

## This Week at Christ Church

Week of July 17 – July 23

### SUNDAY, July 17

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

7:30 p.m. .... Student Gathering..... Townsend Home

### WEDNESDAY, July 20

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

### THURSDAY, July 21

6:30 p.m. .... Church-wide Kickball Tournament ... Church Campus

### FRIDAY, July 22

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

### Assisting in the Services

*Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Mike Boyd & Billy Hatcher.*

*Ushers are Will Boyd, Will Crews, Whit Foster, William Jewett & John Edwards.*

*The Deacon on Duty is John Edwards.*

*Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Charles Bowen & Mel Jewett.*

*Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Will Crews, Whit Foster, 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*; 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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## Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, July 17, 2016

### Heaven on Earth

The Christian life is life itself, perfectly integrated. It does not mean heaven against earth, but heaven on earth: the things above in the things of earth, the concerns of heaven in the pursuits of men, God in the midst of our human life and problems. To live the Christian life is to live fully each moment of our existence on earth in terms of the realities and values of heaven; it is to live to the full one's personal, family and working life in the awareness that they continue and find their fulfillment beyond the earthly, the visible, the tangible, in the invisible and the eternal. Spiritual life is not life on the level of the spirit (as opposed to the body) but total life (human and practical), inspired, directed and controlled by the Holy Spirit.

– Guy Appéré, Geneva, Switzerland, *pastor*

## 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** – Voluntary.....Heron

**The Choral Call to Worship** .....ALL THE WORLD

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

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

The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out;

But, more than all, the heart must bear the longest part.

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. 122)..... ODE TO JOY  
God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

† **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 Old Testament Lesson**.....Psalm 19 (*Read responsively, Trinity Hymnal, page 790*)

† **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 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** – Comfort, Comfort.....John Ferguson

"Comfort, comfort now My people; Tell of peace!" So says our God.  
Comfort those who sit in darkness, mourning under sorrow's load.  
To God's people now proclaim that God's pardon waits for them!  
Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever!

For the herald's voice is crying in the desert far and near,  
Calling us to true repentance, since the Kingdom now is here.  
Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way!  
Let the valleys rise to meet Him and the hills bow down to greet Him!

Straight shall be what long was crooked; and the rougher places plain!  
Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits His holy reign!  
For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad,  
And all flesh shall see the token that God's word is never broken.  
Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 339*).....BLAENWERN  
For Your Gift of God the Spirit  
*On the final verse, children in Kindergarten may exit for Catechism.*

**The New Testament Lesson** .....Colossians 3:1-14 (*page 984*)

**The Response**

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

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**The Sermon** – LINKED TO THE COSMIC CHRIST..... Dr. Oliver, *Missioner*

† **The Hymn of Response** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 532*)..... PENITENCE  
Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way

† **The Benediction**

**The Organ Postlude** – *Allegro Maestoso* from Sonata No. 2 ..... Mendelssohn

## 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 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 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 10<sup>th</sup>, for four weeks; ending Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. 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.

## 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 on Sunday, July 31. The Leaders of Christ Church strongly encourage Christ Church, Presbyterian members to make plans and preparation to be present and partake of this wonderful means of grace. 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.

## Scripture Memory Review

**Romans 8:28-30**

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom He predestined He also called, and those whom He called He also justified, and those whom He justified He also glorified.

## Other Announcements

**Student Gathering** — Tonight following Evening Worship the Youth of Christ Church will gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Jenny & Don Townsend located at 1538 River Island Parkway in Evans.

**Symposium on Religious Persecution** — God can deliver us from anything we face in the future. However, the biblical record informs us that while our omnipotent God can deliver, He does not always choose to deliver us. Hebrews 11 confirms this. Christians recognize that at root our battles in America are spiritual, not political or even moral.

Our theology may be solid in many areas. We can articulate a sound theology of salvation and lead the lost to saving faith. We may embrace an orthodox ecclesiology and participate in the community life of the local congregation. But we are not equipped to handle persecution because our environment—until now—hasn't given us the opportunity to personally apply the biblical texts that warn and prepare us for hostility.

While persecution is new terrain for American Christians, it's old terrain in the Bible. With our country's cultural shift, we have a new opportunity to revisit the New Testament and learn how to apply many passages on persecution in new ways.

Please join us each Lord's Day in Covenant Hall at 9:45 a.m. The symposium on religious persecution will continue each week through September 4 for all post-high school adults.

**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 families. 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 families.

**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. If you can help with housing one or two of this nine-member group, please contact the church office at 706-210-9090 or via email to [music@christchurchpres.org](mailto:music@christchurchpres.org). We can use your help!

**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 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> (Friday: 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; Saturday: 9:00 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.

## 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 re-purposed at a later time.

Randy Self, *Teen Missions International, Trinidad*

Building a security wall around a church and assisting with a vacation Bible school.

Heritage Academy, *Augusta, Georgia*

Praise for the success of the Barton Reading and Spelling Program for children with dyslexia. More funding is necessary to expand this program: screening students, training volunteers, and adding more levels of the Barton program. Please pray for opportunities to become available.