

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** – All Things Bright and Beautiful..... 17th C. Melody, arr. Page Mrs. Catharine McClure

The Opening Scripture & Prayer of Invocation.....Psalm 27:4
One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple.

- † **The Hymn of Praise** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 179)..... THINE THE GLORY
Hallelujah! Thine the Glory!

- † **The Hymn** – Glory to His Name (Family Songs, No. 10)..... GLORY TO HIS NAME

The Report on International Link.....Ruling Elder Mark Walters

The Evening Prayer..... Ruling Elder John Clark

The Offering & the Offertory.....Owen, arr. Shackley
Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † **The Hymn of Preparation** – Face to Face (Family Songs, No. 73)FACE TO FACE
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Old Testament LessonExodus 24:9–18 (page 65)

The Response

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

The Sermon – THE BEATIFIC VISION The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

- † **The Hymn of Response** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 642)..... SLANE
Be Thou My Vision

- † **The Benediction**

The Piano Postlude – Invention in Bb.....Bach

This Week at Christ Church

Week of August 21 – August 27

SUNDAY, August 21

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 K4 & K5 may exit for Catechism.

4:30 p.m. Augusta Youth Chorale Auditions..... Upper Room

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

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, August 22

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

WEDNESDAY, August 24

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

6:30 p.m. Student Gathering Youth House

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, August 26

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

6:00 p.m. Inquirer's Class, Pt. 1 Covenant Hall

SATURDAY, August 27

8:00 a.m. Trail Life..... Covenant Hall

9:00 a.m. Inquirer's Class, Pt. 2 Upper Room

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Charles Bowen & Billy Hatcher.

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

The Deacon on Duty is Brian Moore.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be John Clark & Ken Moody.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lanier Adams, Jim Avery, Stephen Dyer, William Jewett & John Norluk.

The Deacon on Duty will be Stephen Dyer.

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, August 21, 2016

What Is the Gospel?

The Gospel is about Jesus Christ. It is not good advice about how to live, but good news about a person.

– Sinclair Ferguson

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** – Be Thou My Vision.....arr. Davis

The Choral Call to WorshipGordon Young

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise;

That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing alleluia!

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 145:1–3, 21

Pastor: I will extol You, my God and King,
and bless Your name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and ever.

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and His greatness is unsearchable....

**People: My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.**

- † **The Hymn of Adoration** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 2) LYONS
O Worship the King

- † **The Prayer of Invocation & Adoration** 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;

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 DoxologyOLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson..... Isaiah 40:1-11 (*page 599*)

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 – Jesus Paid it All.....TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

For nothing good have I whereby Your grace to claim.

I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

The Offering & the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem – They Follow Me.....Leland Sateren

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me:

And I give unto them eternal life, eternal life, eternal life.

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, I know them;

And they shall never perish, never perish, never perish.

Neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them,

And they follow, follow Me.

Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 697)**..... WORDS OF LIFE

Wonderful Words of Life

On the final verse, children in K4 & K5 may exit for Catechism.

The Gospel Lesson.....Mark 1:1-8 (*page 836*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – GOOD NEWS!The Rev. Jones

† **The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 472)**..... BRYN CALFARIA
Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

† **The Benediction**

The Organ Postlude – Toccata in E Minor.....Pachelbel

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

“One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple” (Psalm 27:4). There is a longing in our hearts, like the Psalmist’s, to behold that which is truly beautiful, truly glorious: God! Tonight we continue our study of Exodus to see how God acted so that His people “saw the God of Israel,” and what He has done that we might too. We will also have the opportunity to hear from Mark Walters about what God is doing through International Link. We invite you to join us in worship “to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD, and inquire in His Temple.”

Scripture Memory Review

Romans 8:1-8

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. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God’s law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Missionary Prayer

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

Unnamed for security, *Mission to the World (PCA), France*

Continue to pray for the health of this missionary's spouse. There has been improvement with pain and mobility, but cancer cells have grown back in the bone marrow. Please pray that she becomes healthy enough for the one last procedure to possibly reverse the cancer cell growth.

Other Announcements

Praise for the Lord's Provision of an Interim Director of Students – The Session of Christ Church is pleased to announce Chris Nabholz as Interim Director of Students for Christ Church, Presbyterian. Chris is a graduate of Augusta University with a degree in Health and Physical Education. During their freshman year of college, Chris met his future wife Audrey and they married in December 2015 at Christ Church. He teaches PE at the elementary level in Richmond County and has experience as a middle school and high school coach for softball and baseball, as well as a Fellowship of Christian Athletes leader. Chris has been an active member of Christ Church for over 10 years and during that time has been an active participant as a member and leader in the student ministry. Chris and Audrey look forward to the opportunity to work with parents and students by providing community, support, and encouragement to develop spiritual growth within the students and their families of Christ Church.

Trail Life Open House – Trail Life USA Troop GA-2215 will be holding a Join the Trail Open House on Monday, August 22 at 7:00 p.m. in Covenant Hall. This is an opportunity for parents and boys to learn about Trail Life USA and Troop GA-2215 at Christ Church, Presbyterian. The boys will be able to experience some Trail Life activities while parents hear about the program. We will be reviewing costs, meeting times, our annual calendar of events, how to register and get involved, and much more. Please invite any friends or family you think would be interested. We're looking forward to a great evening.

Children's Sunday School Registration – Sundays, August 21 & 28, parents are asked to register their children from birth through 6th grade for nursery and Sunday School. A table is located in the Narthex with forms to complete. Please take time to register your child(ren) so we can staff and place your child(ren) properly.

Symposium on Religious Persecution – Daily, perhaps hourly, we are losing the war for America's heart and mind. We must understand the direction and speed of this cultural river that has spilled over and engulfed our land. What should we be doing at this critical hour? Can the church survive only in places tolerant of the Christian message? We must remember Russia, China, Romania, Iraq, Sudan, and Syria as places where believers stand for Christ. The consistent lesson of 2,000 years of church history is that the church does not need freedom to be faithful. Peter Marshall wrote, "It is better to fail at a cause that will ultimately succeed than to succeed in a cause that will ultimately fail."

The symposium continues to examine our preparation and response to increasing hostility. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:45 in Covenant Hall through September 4.

The Augusta Youth Chorale – The AYC’s eighth season begins in September. Auditions will be held during the month of August. Do you happen to know someone who might like to sing in a choral setting with wonderful opportunities to enjoy new friends and share their gifts with others? If so, have them check out our new website for information: www.augustayouthchorale.org, or contact Stan Pylant at 706-210-9090 or via email to music@christchurchpres.org.

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 **this week** on August 26th and 27th (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.

Children's Ministry Correction – Catechism class for grades 1 through 3 will begin on Promotion Sunday, September 11.

Adult Bible Study, Evans – The Adult Bible Study, Evans will start again on Tuesday, September 6, 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 Galatians at 7:30. Please phone the Jones' at 706-447-2546 with any questions.