

## 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 & Prayer of Invocation..... 1 Corinthians 6:19b-20  
You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.
- † The Hymn of Praise - (Trinity Hymnal, No. 198) ..... TRURO  
Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!
- † The Hymn - When We All Get to Heaven (Family Songs, No. 62).....HEAVEN
- The Missionary Report .....Bruce & Barbara Wannemacher, MTW-Africa
- The Evening Prayer ..... Ruling Elder John Clark
- The Offering & the Offertory  
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)
- † The Hymn of Preparation - Redeemed (Family Songs, No. 114) ..... REDEEMED  
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.
- The Old Testament Lesson .....Exodus 30:11-16 (page 71)
- The Response  
Pastor: This is the Word of God. People: Thanks be to Thee, O God.
- The Sermon - BOUGHT WITH A PRICE .....Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor
- † The Hymn of Response - (Trinity Hymnal, No. 253) .....FOUNTAIN  
There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood
- † The Benediction
- The Piano Postlude

### Scripture Memory Review

Philippians 2:1-4

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

### Missionary Prayer

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

Dick and Nancy Baggé, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Kenya

Over the summer, they experienced a very successful expansion into Kyiv, Ukraine. Please pray for these opened doors to produce God's intended growth for His kingdom.

## This Week at Christ Church

Week of December 4 – December 10

### SUNDAY, December 4

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

K4-5 ..... 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 Locations

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

*On the final verse of the second hymn, children in K4 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade may exit for Catechism.*

4:15 p.m. .... AYC Dessert Concert ..... 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.*

7:30 p.m. ....Youth Gathering: Tacky Sweater Party....Townsend Home

### MONDAY, December 5

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

### TUESDAY, December 6

7:00 p.m. .... Diaconate Meeting ..... Church Office

### WEDNESDAY, December 7

7:00 p.m. .... Choir Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary

### FRIDAY, December 9

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

### SATURDAY, December 10

9:30 a.m.....Promise686 Meeting..... Covenant Hall

*Please see the Home Bible Study Schedule following Other Announcements for upcoming opportunities to study God's Word.*

### Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are John Clark & Ken Moody.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Jonathan Kimbrell, Hamilton McDaniel & Ed Russell.

The Deacon on Duty is Wade Caldwell.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lanier Adams, Richard Deal, John Edwards, Mark Goodell & Charles Kimbrell.

The Deacon on Duty will be Ed Russell.

### Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

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

Mr. Chris Nabholz, Interim 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, December 4, 2016

### The Second Sunday of Advent

### The Gift and Test of the Sabbath

We should rest in Christ alone for our salvation. But along with that there is still an abiding principle that we ought to worship on the Lord's Day and trust God enough to have a weekly routine where we cease from our normal labors... He made the Sabbath for man, not man for the Sabbath (Mark 2:27). God gives us Sabbath as a gift; it's an island of get-to in a sea of have-to. He also offers us Sabbath as a test; it's an opportunity to trust God's work more than our own. When I go weeks without taking adequate time off, I may or may not be disobeying the fourth commandment, but I'm certainly too convinced of my own importance and more than a little foolish. If my goal is God-glorifying productivity over a lifetime of hard work, there are few things I need more than a regular rhythm of rest.

— Kevin DeYoung

### 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 - O Come, O Come, Emmanuel..... arr. Lau

The Choral Call to Worship ..... arr. Michael Praetorius

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender

Stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming,

As men of old have sung. It came, a flow'et bright,

Amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night.

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship ..... Matthew 11:28-30

Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My

yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you

will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

- † The Hymn of Adoration - (Trinity Hymnal, No. 194) ..... VENI EMMANUEL  
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

† 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 Gloria Patri** (page 735 in the Trinity Hymnal)..... GREATOR EX

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 Ordination and Installation of Officers

**The Doxology** .....OLD HUNDREDDTH

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 58:6-14 (page 618)

**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** (using debts and debtors)

**The Offering & the Prayer of Dedication**

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

**The Offertory Anthem** – The Glory of the Father..... Egil Hovland

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.

We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth.

In the beginning was the Word. The Word, was with God.

In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.

He came to His own, and His own received Him not.

Sanctuary Choir, and Laura Doss, *organ*

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly..... HOLY MANNA

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.

Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.

We that once were lost and scattered in communion’s love have stood.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.

Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

On the final verse, children in K4 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade may exit for Catechism.

**The Gospel Lesson** ..... Mark 2:23-3:6 (page 838)

### The Response

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

### The Prayer for Illumination

**The Sermon** – LORD OF THE SABBATH..... The Rev. Jones, Pastor

† **The Hymn of Response** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 188) ..... TRANQUILITY

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

† **The Benediction**

**The Organ Postlude** – From Heaven Above to Earth I Come ..... Zachau

## 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.

## Advent Wreath

The second purple candle, known as the “Bethlehem Candle,” reminds us that God in Christ appeared to men in the most humble manner. Bethlehem was a small town in the territory of the least powerful of all the tribes of Israel. “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting” (Micah 5:2).

## Evening Worship

Join us this evening as we gather in worship to enjoy the privilege of fellowship with God and His people as the blood-bought children of God. Bruce and Barbara Wannamaker, MTW missionaries recently back from their trip to Africa, will be sharing what great things God is doing. Pastor Jones will be preaching the message, “Bought with a Price,” from Exodus 30:11-16. Come and worship!

## Evensong: A Festival Gloria

You are warmly invited for this special time of worship on Sunday, December 18, involving our Sanctuary Choir, Children’s Choir, The Augusta Youth Chorale, Orchestra, and congregational carols; all culminating with a message from our pastor. Invite your family and friends and join us in the Sanctuary at 6:00 p.m. as we celebrate our Savior's birth together!

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

As God extended His love to us through His Son Jesus, please join us on the eve of Jesus' birth to respond with the love He so dearly deserves. Our Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held on Saturday, December 24, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Scripture will be spoken, congregational carols will be sung, a string ensemble will play, a message from the Rev. Jones will be shared, and Jesus will be honored.

## Christmas Day

Join us for Sunday school and morning worship on Sunday, December 25, beginning at 9:45 a.m. We will study, worship, and celebrate our Savior together as a church. There will be no evening activities so that families may enjoy one another in the love of Christ.

## 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, December 18. 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.

## Other Announcements

**Augusta Youth Chorale Christmas Dessert Concert** – Join us this afternoon to enjoy a delightful and inspiring time in the Lord as the AYC performs a Christmas concert at 4:15 p.m. Afterward, everyone is invited to gather in Covenant Hall to enjoy delicious, free desserts prepared by the chorale. This concert is free. A special offering will be accepted.

**Youth Tacky Sweater Gathering** – After the evening service today, the youth are invited to the Townsends’ home, located at 1538 River Island Pkwy in Evans, for a Tacky Sweater Party. We will be enjoying festive food and showing off your Grandma’s tacky sweater. Please bring a White Elephant gift for the gift exchange!

**Grounded Foster Care (Promise686)** – There will be an informational meeting regarding Grounded, the foster family ministry of Christ Church, on Saturday, December 10, at 9:30 a.m. in Covenant Hall. There are many opportunities available with various commitment levels. A representative from Columbia County’s Department of Family and Children’s Services will be there to answer questions about becoming a foster family. Contact Dessa Edwards for more information at 706-627-9430 or [dessa.edwards@gmail.com](mailto:dessa.edwards@gmail.com).

**Children's Christmas Party** – Let's celebrate Jesus' birth! Join us on Sunday, December 11, during Sunday school for the best birthday party ever. There will be snacks, games, gifts, and fun for everyone.

**Youth Pancake Study Break** – Please join us on Wednesday, December 14, for an ultimate study break from those terrible exams! We will meet in the Youth House at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy games and food! There will be plenty of snacks, games, and of course plenty of pancakes for all! This is a perfect opportunity to bring your study group friends and hang out without worrying about your studies!

**Church Staff Christmas and Jews for Jesus Gifts** – Special donations are being accepted to express love and appreciation for our church staff and for the Jews for Jesus evangelism ministry. Please contribute as God directs by Sunday, December 18, by placing your donation in the offering plate so that these gifts may be presented before Christmas.

**Pledge Cards** – The Session and Diaconate would like to thank all in the congregation who have given pledges toward the kingdom work of Christ Church, Presbyterian for the fiscal year 2017. If you were unable to attend last week, pledge cards may either be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office. Additional pledge cards are available on the Deacons' tables at the back of the sanctuary.

## Home Bible Studies Schedule

### TUESDAYS

7:00 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study, Evans..... W. Jones Home  
December 6 706-447-2546; 503 Thompkins Lane

10:00 a.m. .... Women's Daytime Bible Study .....J. Jones Home  
December 13 252-622-8097; 1062 Conn Drive, Evans

7:00 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home  
December 13 706-737-5953; 2910 Mayfair Road

### THURSDAYS

6:00 p.m. .... Young Couples Connect .....Parish Home  
January 19, 2017 706-504-6274; 609 Woodwalk Lane, Martinez