

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 Preludearr. Cindy Berry
Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart with O Breath of Life
Mrs. Sue Moncrief

The Opening Scripture Psalm 92:1-2
It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
to declare Your steadfast love in the morning and Your faithfulness by night.

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Family Songs, No. 14).....AZMON
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn – Bless, O My Soul! the Living God (Family Songs, No. 18) ..PARK STREET

The Hymn – Sweet, Sweet Spirit (insert)..... MANNA

The Evening PrayerOra Parish, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory..... Percy Smith, arr. Cindy Berry
Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 334)TRENTHAM
Breathe on Me, Breath of God
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Old Testament Lesson Exodus 30:22-33 (page 71)

The Response

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

The Sermon – THE ANOINTING..... The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 335)REDHEAD
Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude Henry Purcell, arr. Cindy Berry
Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

This Week at Christ Church

Week of January 8— January 14

SUNDAY, January 8

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 – 3rd Grade may exit for Catechism.

4:30 p.m.AYC RehearsalSanctuary

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.

7:30 p.m.Youth Gathering Hatcher Home

MONDAY, January 9

6:30 p.m.Session Prayer & Meeting..... Church Office

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

TUESDAY, January 10

7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting Church Office

WEDNESDAY, January 11

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, January 13

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

*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 Mike Boyd & Glynn Dyer.

Ushers are Lanier Adams, Richard Deal, John Edwards, Mark Goodell & Charles Kimbrell.

The Deacon on Duty is John Edwards.

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

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

The Deacon on Duty will be Charles Kimbrell.

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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Epiphany Sunday

Possibly the Most Important Question

“Have I committed the unpardonable sin?” There is nothing trivial about that question. Indeed, Jesus seems to suggest it may be the most important question we ever ask ourselves.

– 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 – AriaAnonymous

The Choral Call to Worship Root

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

The Lord is in His holy temple;

Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship & Prayer of Invocation ..Hebrews 1:1-3; 2:1-3a

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, Whom He appointed the heir of all things, through Whom also He created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the word of His power. After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.... Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 529).....BEECHER
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

† **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)..... GREATOREX

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 Lesson..... Psalm 95:1-11 (Page 499)

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 – 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 Welcome & Passing of the Friendship Register

The Offering & the Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory Anthem – Gloria in Excelsis Deo.....Antonio Vivaldi

(Sung in Latin) Glory to God in the highest!

Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Family Songs, No. 66)..... BELMONT

The Spirit Breathes upon the Word

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

The Gospel LessonMark 3:22-30 (Page 838)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – THE UNPARDONABLE SINThe Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

† **The Hymn of Response** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 336).....GOWER'S LITANY
Spirit, Strength of All the Weak

† **The Benediction**

The Organ Postlude – Prelude in F Major.....J. S. Bach

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

“What is the anointing? And what does it have to do with Christian worship and service?” These are intriguing and, it turns out, important questions we ponder in our study of Exodus 30:22-33. As we enter into this New Year, would you consider making it a joyful habit for you and your family to close the Lord's Day in worship with God's people? “The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God” (Psalm 92:12-13). Let us come and worship!

Communicant's Class

A six-week Communicant's class will be held beginning in February during the Sunday School hour for Christ Church, Presbyterian youth. If you are the parent of a young person who is of the age, typically 6th grade or above, and is ready to join the church as a communing member along with the responsibilities of such, please notify the church office of your child's attendance by calling 706-210-9090. If you have any questions about the class curriculum or participant readiness, please contact Ben Robeson at 706-737-8706.

For Thanks and Praise

The phrase, “It is right to give Him thanks and praise,” from the liturgy of the English Reformation, is fitting as we rejoice in the strong giving of the congregation in 2016 which totaled \$711,979.53. This represents the highest annual giving amount in the history of Christ Church, Presbyterian. Let us be encouraged to give cheerfully and generously to the King of kings Who gave His life for us throughout the New Year of Grace!

Human Trafficking Awareness

January is National Human Trafficking Awareness month, and Sunday, January 15, has been designated as a day to support our local organization, iCare, working with those who have been trafficked, as well as working to end human trafficking. All undesignated cash contributed during morning and evening worship services next Sunday will be donated to iCare in support of their mission to end this awful transgression. Please prayerfully consider what God would have you contribute and respond lovingly and graciously. God bless you.

Christian Sympathy

Christian sympathy is extended to Emily Adams and family on the death of her believing mother, Barbara Morgan, on December 23.

I am the resurrection and the life. – John 11:25

Other Announcements

Youth Gathering — Tonight, following Evening Worship the Youth of Christ Church will gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Debra and Billy Hatcher located at 1067 Peninsula Crossing in Evans.

Youth Bonfire at the Church — All youth are invited to join us on Friday, January 20, beginning at 5:30 p.m. for a bonfire fellowship. You are encouraged to bring your friends for this fun-filled time in the Lord. For more information, please contact Chris Nabholz at youth@christchurchpres.org.

Young Families & Young Couples Bible Study — All are invited and welcome to join us beginning on Thursday, February 2, at 6:00 p.m. with a fellowship dinner followed by a practical Bible study at 6:45. During the spring semester, the Young Couples and Young Families Bible studies will be meeting together. Look to the bulletin announcement for the details of the topic that will be studied. This study will meet in the home of Natalie and Ora Parish located at 609 Woodwalk Lane in Martinez. Please RSVP your attendance either by calling or texting the Parishes at 252-267-2793. *Childcare will be provided.*

Poinsettias — For several weeks we have enjoyed having our sanctuary decorated in celebration of Christmas. The poinsettias that have been a part of those decorations are located throughout the sanctuary. If you wish to take a poinsettia home, please plan to do so today following the morning worship service. Those that remain will be delivered to a local nursing home this week so that they may be enjoyed by others in our community.

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAYS

10:00 a.m. Women's Daytime Bible StudyJ. Jones Home
January 10 252-622-8097; 1062 Conn Drive, Evans

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
January 10 706-737-5953; 2910 Mayfair Road

7:00 p.m..... Adult Bible Study, Evans.....W. Jones Home
January 17 706-447-2546; 503 Thompkins Lane

THURSDAYS

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Boyd Home
January 12 706-736-0004; 9 Summerville Lane, Augusta

6:00 p.m.Young Couples Connect & Young Families....Parish Home
February 2 706-504-6274; 609 Woodwalk Lane, Martinez

Scripture Memory

Philippians 2:14-16

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the Word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

Missionary Prayer

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

Cheryl Crocker, *Mission to the World* (PCA)

Pray for those in the medical field to hear and respond to God's call to medical missions under the leadership of Cheryl Crocker. Pray also for Cheryl to follow God's direction in preparing herself to train and develop new medical missionaries for work in the field abroad.