

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. Catharine McClure

The Opening Scripture & the Prayer of Invocation.....Psalm 139:13-17

For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 457)..... NETTLETON
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

- † The Hymn – All I Have Is Christ (insert).....Jordan Kauflin

The Children's Choir..... Kay Lovingood, Director

Stan Pylant, *violin*

Guide Us, Lord.....Mark Patterson

Guide us through these days, O Lord; help us to seek Your way,
Trusting as You lead us with love, teach us again to pray.

Refrain: Help us know You more clearly, help us love You more dearly,
Help us follow You more nearly day by day, day by day.
Guide us, Lord, we pray.

Guide us through these days, O Lord; help us to seek Your way,
Seeking wisdom from Your Word, strengthen our tender faith. *Refrain*

When we stray and fall to sin, help us find Your path again;
Draw us closer in Your fellowship of love. *Refrain*

Jesus Christ Is All I Need..... Kay Lovingood

Jesus Christ is all I need; all to Him I owe.
Jesus Christ is all I need because He loves me so.
Jesus Christ is all I need; faithful He will stay.
Jesus Christ is all I need with each passing day.
Every day, every hour, faithful He remains.
Jesus Christ is all I need, evermore the same.

The Evening Prayer..... Don Townsend, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory

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

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Family Songs, No. 78).....HIS ROBES FOR MINE
His Robes for Mine

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Lesson.....Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 (page 554)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – FOR EVERYTHING A SEASON... The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 75)..... ST. THEODULPH
O Father, You Are Sovereign

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of March 26 – April 1

SUNDAY, March 26

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 Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

5:00 p.m.Prayer Meeting..... 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.

7:15 p.m..... Jones Family Reception Covenant Hall

MONDAY, March 27

7:00 p.m.American Heritage Girls.....Children's House

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

WEDNESDAY, March 29

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, March 31

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 Gene Gojda & Billy Hatcher.

Ushers are Jim Avery, Stephen Dyer, William Jewett, Andrew Norkus & John Norkus.

The Deacon on Duty is Wade Caldwell.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Chris Lammie, Ed Russell & Derrick Smits.

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. 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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The Lord's Day, March 26, 2017

Only Reasonable

Time is short. Eternity is long. It is only reasonable that this short life be lived
in the light of eternity.

– C. H. Spurgeon

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 Words of Welcome & AnnouncementsThe Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

The Prelude – O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing.....arr. James Biery

Brian Moore & Mel Jewett, *trumpets*; Mike Boyd & Mark Goodell, *trombones*;

Kay Lovingood, *tuba*; and Laura Doss, *organ*

The Choral Call to Worship setting: Langston/Pylant

God of Grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy pow'r;
Crown Thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Sanctuary Choir, Brass, and Organ

The Scriptural Call to Worship 1 Peter 2:1-5, 9

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 100)..... NICAEA
Holy, Holy, Holy!

- † The Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

† 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 DoxologyLASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: alleluia, alleluia!

The Personal Confession of Sin

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to You and to one another, that we have sinned against You by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved You by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray You, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ Your Son our Savior. Amen.

The Gospel Assurance of Pardon 1 Timothy 1:15-16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life.

† The Response to God's Grace – 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus.... 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 Old Testament Lesson..... Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 (page 554)

The ResponseIsaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,
People: But the Word of our God stands forever.

The Pastoral 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 Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthemarr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Old Hundreth Psalm Tune

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell, come ye before Him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid He did us make;
We are His folk, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord or God is good: His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God Whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel host be praise and glory ever more.

Sanctuary Choir, Brass, and Laura Doss, *piano*

† The Hymn of Preparation – (Family Songs, No. 99)..... FATHER'S LOVE

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

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

The New Testament Lesson 1 Corinthians 3:5-17 (page 953)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon..... The Rev. Jones, Pastor

THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH, PT. 2

† The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 347)..... AURELIA

The Church's One Foundation

The Benediction

The Brass & Organ Postlude.....arr. Michael Burkhardt

All Creatures of Our God and King

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the Jones family.

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

Change, in most cases for most of us, is not a very welcome thing—especially major changes. That is true even if things are not perfect. We will take predictable over perfect most days of the week. Yet, significant changes inevitably come in God's providence. The Preacher in Ecclesiastes declares, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under the heaven." That means change. That leads to the very important question: How are we to respond to each season of our lives—including a season of change? That is the question we consider this evening from Ecclesiastes 3:1-15, seeking wisdom from God's Word to enable each of us to live as God would have us in this season of change. The Children's Choir will share inspirational music of worship, and following the service everyone is invited to join us in Covenant Hall for a reception in honor of the Jones family.

Other Announcements

Jones Family Farewell Reception — We invite you to join us for a time of reflection, celebration, and farewell for the Jones family on today in Covenant Hall following the evening worship service. So that there is a variety of food, we have asked that those whose last name begins with A-M bring a generous plate of hors d'oeuvres, tea sandwiches, or vegetable/fruit tray and those whose last name begins with N-Z bring a dessert.

Holy Week Worship — Mark your calendar today and join us for Holy Week, April 13-16. The week will begin with Maundy Thursday Communion on April 13 at 7:00 p.m., followed with Good Friday noonday worship on April 14, along with an evening worship at 7:00 p.m., and will close with Easter Sunday worship on April 16, including Evensong: An Easter Celebration at 6:00 p.m. We will welcome Rev. Evan English as speaker for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday evening, as well as Dr. John W. P. Oliver for Good Friday noonday and Easter Sunday. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join in this special time of worship of our Lord and Savior — Jesus Christ!

Vacation Bible School: Volunteer Request — We still have many volunteer openings and need you to please prayerfully consider where God is calling you to participate with sharing Jesus with children in our church and community. There are volunteer forms on the Welcome Table located in the Narthex along with prayer guides for our upcoming VBS: June 12-16. Please place your completed form in the "VBS" basket also located on the Welcome Table. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Fay Deal at 803-278-1176 or via an e-mail to runningdeal@gmail.com.

Sanctuary Flowers — If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one for a very small contribution, please contact Yvonne Clark at 706-738-5020 or the Church Secretary Shirley McBride at 706-210-9090 or by email to secretary@christchurchpres.org.

Missions Committee Helpful Reminder — The missionaries we support are investing their lives in God's kingdom work here and abroad. They spend hours writing ministry update letters which are printed and placed on a table just inside the front Sanctuary door. Please consider picking up a free copy of these letters and praying for their ongoing needs to the glory of God.

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAYS

10:00 a.m. Women's Daytime Bible StudyJ. Jones Home
April 11 706-218-6062; 1062 Conn Drive, Evans

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
April 11 706-737-5953; 2910 Mayfair Road

7:00 p.m..... Adult Bible Study, Evans..... W. Jones Home
April 18 706-447-2546; 503 Thompkins Lane

THURSDAYS

6:00 p.m. Young Couples Connect & Young FamiliesParish Home
April 20 706-504-6274; 609 Woodwalk Lane, Martinez

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study.....Martha Folley
April 27 706-829-6890, 2703 Downing Street, Augusta

Missionary Prayer

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

Steve and Sherri Letchford, SIM, Kenya

Pray for the Kijabe Hospital to have a renewed sense of vision and mission to share the Gospel after the recent government doctors' strike.