

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 PreludeMrs. Sue Moncrief

The Words of Welcome & the Opening ScripturePsalm 117:1-2

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 284)..... VRUCHTEN
This Joyful Eastertide

- † The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 281).....SHOUT ON
I Know that My Redeemer Lives—Glory, Hallelujah!

The Hymn – Lead Me to Calvary (Family Songs, No. 41)..... DUNCANNON

The Evening Prayer Mel Jewett, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory

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

- † The Hymn of Preparation – Jesus Calls Us (Trinity Hymnal, No. 591)GALILEE
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children’s Program.

The Gospel LessonMatthew 9:9-13 (page 814)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – WHAT GOD DESIRESChris Drinkard, missionary guest

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

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of April 23 – April 29

SUNDAY, April 23

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.Missions Prayer Bands 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 Parish Home

MONDAY, April 24

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

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

WEDNESDAY, April 26

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

7:00 p.m.Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, April 28

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

SATURDAY, April 29

8:00 a.m..... Community Service Team..... CityServe Augusta

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 Charles Bowen & Charles McClure.

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

The Deacon on Duty is Ed Russell.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord’s Day will be Billy Hatcher & Ken Moody.

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

The Deacon on Duty will be John Edwards.

Staff

The Rev. Richard Hammond, Guest 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 remarkable thing about fearing God is that when you fear God, you fear nothing else, whereas if you do not fear God, you fear everything else.

– Oswald Chambers

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 – The Church's One Foundationarr. Hobby

The Choral Call to Worshiparr. Ferguson; adapted Nabholz

The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns

The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now;

A royal diadem adorns the mighty Victor’s brow.

The highest place that heaven affords belongs to Him by right;

The King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven’s Eternal Light!

Sanctuary Choir and Organ

- The Words of Welcome & Announcements Mel Jewett, Ruling Elder

The Scriptural Call to Worship Isaiah 12:2-4

“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord

God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.” With joy

you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among

the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted.”

- † The Prayer of Invocation

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 286)..... REGENT SQUARE
Worship Christ, the Risen King!

† **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*).....GREATORIX

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 Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

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 New Testament ReadingRevelation 3:14–22 (*page 1030*)

The ResponseIsaiah 40:8

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

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem G. F. Handel

Since By Man Came Death (from Messiah)

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 295*)..... DIADEMATA

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon..... Rev. Richard Hammond, *guest*

WORSHIP THAT COSTS NOTHING IS WORTH NOTHING

Expositions from the Book of Malachi

"Failure from the Top Down"

Malachi 2:1–9 (*page 801*)

† **The Hymn of Response** – (*Family Songs, No. 50*)..... BEATITUDO

O for a Heart to Praise My God

The Benediction

The Organ Postlude – Postlude on St. Theodulph arr. Dunbar

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God

and in memory of my parents, Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow Cheshire, by Joanne Pierce.

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 an elder standing in the narthex after the service.

Evening Guest Speaker

Chris and Cary Drinkard have been working with Campus Outreach (CO) since 1998. Cary grew up at First Presbyterian in Augusta and Chris became a Christian through the ministry of Campus Outreach as a college student. From 1998 until 2008, they served as campus staff in Augusta, GA, as well as Statesboro before Chris became the Regional Director. In 2013, Chris transitioned to a new role where he is developing and overseeing two-year CO International teams in Southeast Asia. In July 2014, the Drinkards moved to Manila, Philippines, where they launched a Campus Outreach ministry at two universities in the city in partnership with a local reformed Filipino church. Their vision is to see hundreds of CO alumni serve and strengthen CO International ministries around the globe. Chris and Cary have three children: Susanna (11), Daniel (9), and Mary Beth (8).

Evening Worship

John 3:17 explains that Jesus was sent to save people from their sins and not to condemn them because of their sin. It is Jesus' goal to bring light into the darkness in order to shine His truth and provide wisdom for those willing to accept Him as their Savior. Join us this evening as Missionary Chris Drinkard expounds on this focus through the message entitled, "What God Desires," from Matthew 9:9-13.

Missionary Prayer

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

Chris and Cary Drinkard, *Campus Outreach, Manila, Philippines*

Praise for two more people accepting Christ this month in Manila through one of our Filipino student leaders. Pray also for our church relations while on furlough here in the US; additional monthly support is needed to continue these missions.

Other Announcements

Missions Prayer Bands – Beginning at 5:00 p.m. today we will hold our monthly time of prayer for missions and missionaries. We are delighted to have Chris and Cary Drinkard of Campus Outreach join us to share their testimony of how God is using them in the field. They are currently working in Manila, Philippines, where they have launched a Campus Outreach ministry on universities in the city. Chris and Cary will provide us with an update on their ministry so we will know how to pray specifically for their needs. Make plans to join us for this special time of prayer in obedience to our Lord. For more information, please contact Ken Moody at 706-854-7977 or via e-mail to kjmcfm@gmail.com.

Youth Gathering – All Youth in grades 7 through 12 are invited to join us at 7:30 p.m. today for a Youth Gathering following the evening worship. We will gather in the home of Natalie and Ora Parish located at 609 Woodwalk Lane in Martinez for a time of Christian fellowship.

Missions Committee – Due to scheduling conflicts, our Community Service Team will visit Golden Harvest Food Bank next month. For April, we will be joining with CityServe Augusta to participate in their Day of Service on Saturday, April 29, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We need 10 volunteers to help paint offices at the Columbia County Dept. of Family and Children's Services on that day. Please contact Dessa Edwards to RSVP (706-627-9430 or dessa.edwards@gmail.com) and visit www.cityhopealliance.org/cityserve/ to learn more about this project. Donations of gift cards to purchase paint will also be happily accepted, should you want to help but are not able to attend. We look forward to serving with you!

Fellowship Luncheon – On Sunday, April 30 (**note date change**), following the morning worship service, we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken will be provided for a donation of any amount. Members are asked to bring a generous side dish, salad or dessert to share, and visitors are warmly invited to attend. Please use the response form inserted in this bulletin to indicate the number of adults and children who will attend or feel free to RSVP online at christchurchpres.org.

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.

Augusta Care Pregnancy Center Walk for Life – Everyone is invited to join us for this very worthy cause—God's unborn children. On Saturday, May 6, the Augusta CPC will hold a fund raiser walk, rain or shine, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the walk starting at 9:00 at the 9th Street Plaza River Walk. For more information, please contact Linda Jones by phoning 706-231-3758 or via an e-mail to warrenjones0101@comcast.net.

The Augusta Youth Chorale's Home Concert – Sunday, May 21, at 4:30 p.m. You’re invited to come join us as these youth share their giftedness at a Christ Church home concert before embarking on their summer tour to Michigan. You’ll truly be amazed and inspired! Invite your family, friends, and neighbors for a wonderful afternoon of worship through song.

Lost & Found – Our lost & found shelves have become full once again. If you are missing items, please check the shelves located in front of the lower level elevator. Any items not claimed by Sunday, May 14th, will be donated to Goodwill.

Home Bible Studies Schedule

MONDAY

7:00 p.m..... Adult Bible Study, Evans..... W. Jones Home
May 1 (*special scheduling*) 706-447-2546; 503 Thompkins Lane

TUESDAYS

10:00 a.m. Women's Daytime Bible StudyJ. Jones Home
April 25 706-218-6062; 1062 Conn Drive, Evans

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
April 25 706-737-5953; 2910 Mayfair Road

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

THURSDAYS

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