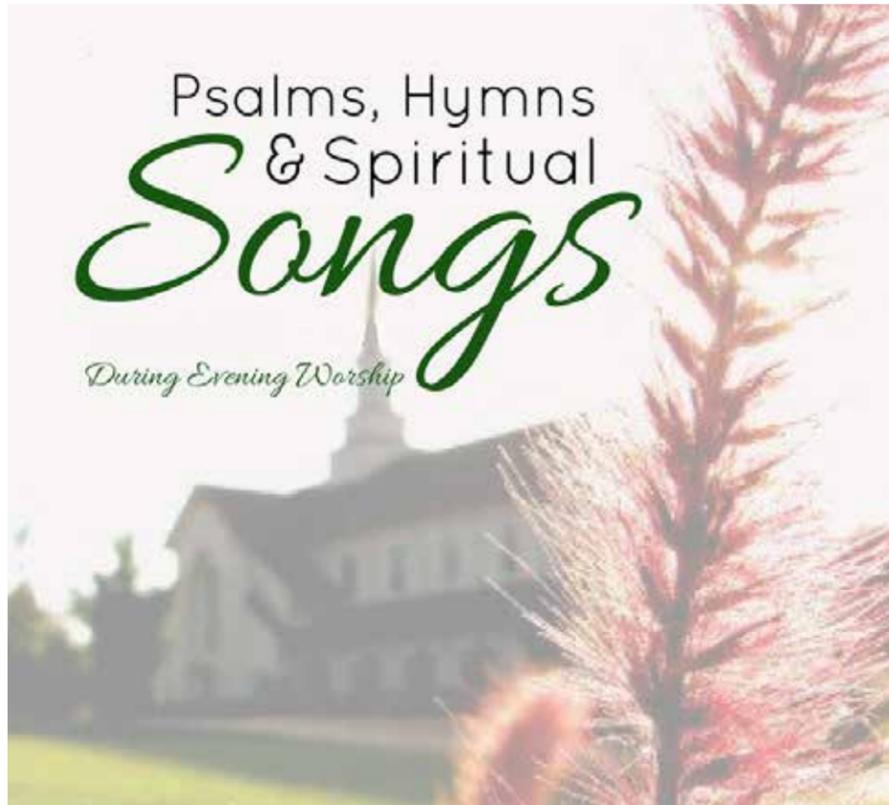


The Evening Service, six o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Ephesians 2:22



You are cordially invited to join us this evening for our Fall Music Celebration: *Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs*. The evening will be filled with anthems by our choir and orchestra, a beautiful solo by Melanie Buckner, congregational singing, and an inspirational message through the Rev. Richard Hammond, all in worship to our Lord. This will be a wonderful time to invite your family and friends for a lovely evening in the Spirit. We look forward to being with you.

Missionary Prayer

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

Karl and Debbie Dortzbach, *Mission to the World (PCA), Kenya*

Pray for Debbie's recovery after hip replacement and for her strength and stamina to teach at Covenant College this month. Karl will be leading a workshop in Eastern Congo this month for Debbie. Please pray for his travel and for wisdom during the workshop. Also, pray for the necessary resources to continue their service to the Lord.

This Week at Christ Church

Week of September 17 – September 23

SUNDAY, September 17

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 3-5 Children's House

Grades 6-12 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.

12:30 p.m. Fellowship Luncheon Covenant Hall

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

5:00 p.m. Missions Prayer Bands Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship with Fall Music Celebration..... Sanctuary

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

MONDAY, September 18

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

7:00 p.m. Trail Life Covenant Hall

WEDNESDAY, September 20

6:15 p.m. Brass Ensemble Rehearsal Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, September 22

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

SATURDAY, September 23

8:00 a.m. Church Workday: Youth & Adult Church Campus

Please see the Home Bible Study Schedule following the Evening Announcement for upcoming opportunities to study God's Word.

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are McDonald Law & Ora Parish.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, William Jewett & Andrew Norkus.

The Deacon on Duty is Wade Caldwell.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Jim Avery, Stephen Dyer, Andrew Norkus & John Norkus.

The Deacon on Duty will be Stephen Dyer.

Staff

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, September 17, 2017

The challenge before us is to deepen our understanding of truth and our own commitment to it. Since we can only take people as far as we ourselves have gone, it is imperative that each of us grows in our own discipleship. Knowledge must lead to wisdom or we become just another empty vessel.

– Irwin Lutzer

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 Prelude – Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us arr. Hogan & Kerrick
Stan Pylant, *violin*, and Laura Doss, *piano*

• **The Welcome, Announcements & Invocation**..... Billy Hatcher, Ruling Elder

The Choral Call to Worship Gordon 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 Proverbs 3:13-18

Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called blessed.

• † **The Hymn of Adoration** – (*Trinity Hymnal*, No. 302)..... MADRID
Come, Christians, Join to Sing

† **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 New Testament Lesson** 1 Corinthains 2:1-16 (*page 952*)

The Response..... Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,

People: But the word of our God stands forever.

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 Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem – Arise, My Soul, Arise.....Dan Forrest

Arise, my soul, arise; shake off thy guilty fears;

The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:

Before the Throne my Surety stands,

My name is written on His hands.

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary;

They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:

“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,

“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;

He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear:

With confidence I now draw nigh,

And “Father, Abba, Father,” cry.

Arise, my soul arise.

Sanctuary Choir, Melanie Buckner, *directing*, and Stan Pylant, *violin*

† **The Hymn of Preparation –** (*Family Songs, No. 12*).....CWM RHONDDA

God of Grace and God of Glory

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

The New Testament Lesson.....James 1:5-8 (*page 1011*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to Thee, O God.

The Prayer for Illumination

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

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD

An Exposition of the Book of James

"Steadfast in the Storm"

† **The Hymn of Response** – Like a River Glorious (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 699*) .. WYE VLLLEY

† **The Benediction**

† **The Organ Postlude** – Hymn to Joy.....arr. Burkhardt

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

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 Worship

We invite everyone to worship with us this evening at our Fall Music Celebration: *Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*. The evening will be filled with musical worship and adoration of our Lord performed by Orchestra, our Sanctuary Choir, Soloist Melanie Buckner, and our congregation. The Rev. Richard Hammond will bring the message, “Music as a Means of Grace,” taken from Colossians 3:16-17. Join us as we hear God’s Word spoken and sung, and together lift thankful voices to the Lord Jesus.

Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Rev. Robbie and Tammy Hendrick on the birth of their grandson, Robert Lawrence "Law", born to Trey and Julianna Hendrick on Wednesday, September 6, at 8 lbs, 6 oz, and 21 inches.

*Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,
the fruit of the womb is a reward – Psalm 127:3*

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
September 19706-737-5953, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... Jones Home
September 26706-231-3758, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans

THURSDAY

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Folley Home
September 28 706-829-6890, 2703 Downing Street in Augusta

Other Announcements

Adult Sunday School Registration – Registration for Unit 10 of the Adult Sunday School ministry will be held today and September 24 in the narthex at 9:30-9:45 a.m., 10:30-10:50 a.m., and again following morning worship and before evening worship. Course descriptions will be available at the time of registration. Unit 10 will begin on October 1 at 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Luncheon – Today, 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 bringing generous side dishes, salads, or desserts to share, and visitors are warmly invited to attend.

Missions Prayer Bands – Everyone is invited to join us for our monthly time of prayer for missions and missionaries today, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in Covenant Hall. We will be inspired through a field missionary’s report of what God is doing in their area. 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 an email to ken.cathy.moody@gmail.com.

Fall Music Celebration – Join us for *Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs* this evening at 6:00 p.m. Anthems by our choir and orchestra will be “Psalm 150” (Franck) a powerful setting, “Evening Prayer” (Gjeilo) a gorgeous setting of a prayer by Saint Augustine, a meditative setting of “There Is Sunshine in My Soul Today” (Wilberg), and ending with the rousing anthem “When the Saints Go Marching In” (Rutter). Melanie Buckner will be singing a majestic solo setting of “How Great Thou Art” (Forrest). Come celebrate with us!

Church Workday: Youth & Adult – Our next church workday is scheduled for this Saturday beginning at 8 a.m. We have several areas of service to maintain our facilities and campus. Please mark your calendar today so that you will be available to join us in being good stewards of God’s gracious gifts. “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace,” 1 Peter 4:10.

Ladies Retreat – Ladies, mark your calendars for a one-day ladies' retreat on Saturday, September 30, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the home of Sherry Barinowski located at 2278 Wortham Lane in Grovetown. We will enjoy lunch together, work on a service project for the meals ministry, and hear from two of our ladies about their missions work. There will be oodles of lovely jewelry and items for sale that were made by women from the U.S. and abroad who have received employment and skills training by Women at Risk, International. This is a tangible way to help in the fight against human trafficking by supporting the efforts of women earning income with dignity. Please RSVP by Monday, September 25, to either Yvonne Clark (706-414-0105) or Linda Jones (706-231-3758) and join us for this fun time of service and fellowship.

Community Service Opportunity – Adults, please check your calendar and plan to join us in service at the Master's Table Soup Kitchen located at 702 Fenwick Street in Augusta on Thursday, October 12, from 10:30 a.m. until noon. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve others and share the gospel of Christ. Please contact either Emily Adams (706) 627-0784 or Julie Dey (706) 294-2436 to reserve your spot.

The Augusta Youth Chorale – Auditions continue through September for our ninth season; especially for tenors and basses. 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? Have them check our website for information, www.augustayouthchorale.org, or contact Stan Pylant via an email to spylant@knology.net.

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 is currently being planned. 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.

Need for Ushers – Would you consider being in an usher rotation once a month? If you can, please see Wade Caldwell, Chairman of the Diaconate, before or after a service or email him at wade.mc@hotmail.com.