

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 – And Can It Be?....Thomas Campbell, arr. Marilyn Ham Mrs. Sue Moncrief

The Words of Welcome & the Opening ScripturePsalm 119:97-104

Oh how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day. Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts. I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep Your word. I do not turn aside from Your rules, for You have taught me. How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through Your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.

- † **The Hymn of Praise** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 55).....TO GOD BE THE GLORY
To God Be the Glory

- † **The Prayer of Invocation**

- † **The Hymn** – Yield Not to Temptation (Trinity Hymnal, No. 582).....YIELD NOT

The Missions Moment Kim Green, Director
Child Evangelism Fellowship

The Evening Prayer Glynn Dyer, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory Felix Mendelssohn
Adagio non troppo, Opus 30, #3

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

- † **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 676) BLOTT EN DAG
Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

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

The New Testament Lesson.....James 1:12-15 (page 1011)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The SermonThe Rev. Richard Hammond, *guest*

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD

An Exposition of the Book of James

"Discernment in Time of Trial"

- † **The Hymn of Response** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 605) ALL THE WAY
All the Way My Savior Leads Me

- † **The Benediction**

The Piano Postlude – Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above arr. Dan Forrest

Missionary Prayer

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

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

Please pray for Andrew and Jami Harris, soon to be on furlough in the US. Their son, Dietrich, born July 4 and within weeks was diagnosed and underwent surgery for Hirschprung's disease (intestinal), along with a diagnosis of Down Syndrome. Please pray for God's direction as they consider Dietrich's needs. Remember also our student leaders in Manila as they oversee campus events and evangelistic outreach through February, as well as for 2 new two-year LEAD teams commissioned to Belo Horizonte, Brazil, and Chiang Mai, Thailand.

This Week at Christ Church

Week of September 24 – September 30

SUNDAY, September 24

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.

3:45 p.m.AYC Parent Meeting..... Upper Room

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..... Sanctuary

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

7:30 p.m. Youth Gathering Youth House

MONDAY, September 25

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

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

WEDNESDAY, September 27

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

7:00 p.m.Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, September 29

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

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 John Dunsmore & Gene Gojda.

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

The Deacon on Duty is Stephen Dyer.

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

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

The Deacon on Duty will be Chris Lammie.

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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Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, September 24, 2017

It is easy to sing songs of praise when the sun shines on us, when a glorious dawn breaks and when life's forecast looks bright and clear. It is quite another thing to praise our heavenly Father when a dark sky frowns on us, thunder rolls in and violent storms of trouble break over our lives. How can anyone sing when days grow dark and nights are long? Only the true believer is able to demonstrate credible faith to a watching world. Genuine faith is hard to miss when exercised in the context of life's many challenges. Faith rests not in our hope for better circumstances, but rather in placing our full weight upon the unchangeable promises of our sovereign Lord.

– Anonymous

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 – Air Wesley

- **The Welcome, Announcements & Invocation**..... Glynn Dyer, Ruling Elder

The Choral Call to WorshipYoung, arr. Nabholz

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 145:1-7

I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and ever. Great is

the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable. One

generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your

mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your won-

drous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of Your awesome

deeds, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of

Your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.

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

† **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**Lamentations 3:19-33 (page 688)

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 arr. Mack Wilberg

There Is Sunshine in My Soul Today

There is sunshine in my soul today, more glorious and bright.

Than glows in any earthly sky, for Jesus is my light.

Refrain: Oh, there's sunshine, blessed sunshine when the peaceful happy moments roll.

When Jesus shows His smiling face, there is sunshine in my soul.

There is music in my soul today, a carol to my King,

And Jesus listening can hear the songs I cannot sing. *Refrain*

There is gladness in my soul today, and hope and praise and love,

For blessings which He gives me now, for joys "laid up" above. *Refrain*

Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 521).....SOLID ROCK

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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

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An Exposition of the Book of James

"There Is Doubting and then There Is Doubting"

† **The Hymn of Response** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 528)OLIVET

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

† **The Benediction**

† **The Organ Postlude** – Holy, Holy, Holy.....arr. Prentiss

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

James continues his divinely inspired instructions for Christians under fire by providing vital truths regarding Godly testing and demonic temptation. Sometimes the containers in which testing and tempting arrive at our doors are difficult to distinguish. This evening's exposition of James 1:12-15 looks at this issue and guides us in knowing what to look for and how to respond. Here we encounter the third of the author's directives regarding the believer's response to life's hard realities: 1. Choose Joy! 2. Ask God for Wisdom! and now 3. Stand the Test! Easier said than done! James seems to think it can be done. Join us this evening to learn how this might become our reality as well.

Evening Missionary Guest

Kim Green was born in Augusta, GA, and grew up in North Augusta, SC. She attended Curtis Baptist School, and graduated from North Augusta High School. After high school, Kim attended Southern Methodist College in Orangeburg, SC, where she received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Christian Education. Kim is married to Gregory Alan Green. They have one daughter, Katie Marie Yu, who is married to Brantley Chin Yu. Greg and Kim live in Evans, GA, and attend Sharon Baptist Church. Kim has worked for Child Evangelism Fellowship since 2010 and became the Local Director in 2013. She teaches fourth and fifth grade Sunday school and is involved in overseas missions work in South America.

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... Jones Home

September 26706-231-3758, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home

October 3706-737-5953, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta

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 – Final registration for Unit 10 of the Adult Sunday School ministry will be held today in the narthex 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.

Youth Gathering – All Youth 6th grade through 12th grade are encouraged to join us for a time of fellowship, food, and games after evening worship today. We will meet in the Youth House from 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

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 report by Kim Green, Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship, of what God is doing in this 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.

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 Thursday, September 28, to either Yvonne Clark (706-414-0105) or Linda Jones (706-231-3758) and join us for this fun time of service and fellowship.

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.

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.

Evensong: A Christmas Festival – Are you interested in singing Christmas music with the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra? **Evensong: A Christmas Festival** will be Sunday evening, December 17. You are cordially invited. Rehearsals are scheduled each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. and for the following Saturday mornings: November 4th, December 2nd, and 16th. Come sing with us, we would love to have you. Contact Stan Pylant for further information at 706-210-9090 or via an email to music@christchurchpres.org.

Praise Report for WOCC Service – The baby shower for "Kim" was a success. Thank you to all who contributed in any way, and especially the WOCC for their support. It all came together beautifully and Kim was truly blessed by the love of Christ. Over forty people showed up from all over the CSRA to celebrate Kim's little boy and shower them both with gifts. There were three tables full of gifts, not including the online orders already shipped to her house. There were games, a dessert table, and a wonderful Gospel presentation given by one of the ladies from Cliffwood PCA to the women at the party. Kim gratefully responded the next day: "I just wanted to say Thank You for EVERYTHING once again. It was so beautiful!!! Everyone went out of their way to show me love and support. I truly enjoyed myself. The outcome of everything was unbelievable...y'all are living proof that God is real!!!" Praise the Lord! In *this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.* 1 John 4:9.