

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. Catharine McClure
- The Words of Welcome & the Opening ScripturePsalm 119:1-8
Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord! Blessed are those who keep His testimonies, who seek Him with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in His ways! You have commanded Your precepts to be kept diligently. Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping Your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments. I will praise You with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous rules. I will keep Your statutes; do not utterly forsake me!
- † The Hymn of Praise – (Family Songs, No. 57)MIT FREUDEN ZART
Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
- † The Prayer of Invocation
- † The Hymn – Holy, Mighty, Worthy (Family Songs, No. 17) ...HOLY, MIGHTY, WORTHY
The Hymn – (Family Songs, No. 7)..... THRONE ROOM
Before the Throne of God Above
- The Evening PrayerJohn Dunsmore, Ruling Elder
- The Offering & the Offertory
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)
- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Family Songs, No. 29) ENDURING LOVE
When Trials Come

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.
- The New Testament Lesson.....James 2:8-13 (page 1012)
- 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
Expositions of the Book of James
"Fulfilling the Royal Law"
- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 154)..... ARLINGTON
Thou Art the Way
- † The Benediction
- The Piano Postlude

Home Bible Studies Schedule

- TUESDAY**
7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
October 17706-737-5953, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... Jones Home
October 24.....706-231-3758, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans
- THURSDAY**
6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Boyd Home
October 26.....706-736-0004; 9 Summerville Lane, Augusta

This Week at Christ Church

Week of October 15 – October 21

SUNDAY, October 15

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 Covenant Hall
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.

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.

MONDAY, October 16

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

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

TUESDAY, October 17

5:00 p.m.Youth Night at Richmond Cty Fair Hale & 4th St, Augusta

WEDNESDAY, October 18

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

FRIDAY, October 20

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

SATURDAY, October 21

1:00 p.m. Trail Life: Kite Derby Day.....Lady Antebellum Playground

6:00 p.m. Apologetics Conference Dinner..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Apologetics Conference Sanctuary

The Church Office will be open Monday through Thursday each week this month.

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

Assisting in the Services

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

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

The Deacon on Duty is John Edwards.

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

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

The Deacon on Duty will be Charles Kimbrell.

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, October 15, 2017

Those who are sinner-guests invited by Jesus to the banquet table understand grace. It remains a startling story to those who never understand that the men and women who are truly filled with light are those who have gazed deeply into the darkness of their imperfect existence. We must come to the inevitable conclusion that the church is not a museum for saints but a hospital for sinners.

– Morton Kelsey

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 – *Adagio* from Sonata No. 1Mendelssohn

• The Welcome, Announcements & Invocation..... John Dunsmore, Ruling Elder

The Choral Call to Worship LOBE DEN HERREN, arr. Nabholz

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.

Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to WorshipPsalm 111

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever. He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever. He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations. The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever. Holy and awesome is His name! The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

• † The Hymn of Adoration – O Worship the King (Trinity Hymnal, No. 2) .. LYONS

† **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 Gospel Lesson**..... Matthew 9:1-13 (page 813)

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 – Be Thou My Vision arr. Dan Forrest

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art,

Thou my best thought by day or by night,

Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my True Word,

I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,

Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,

Thou mine inheritance, now and always,

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,

High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,

May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'ns Sun,

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

Still be my vision, O Ruler of all. Be my vision, Lord.

Sanctuary Choir

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 455).....SAGINA

And Can It Be that I Should Gain

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† **The Hymn of Response** – He Lifted Me (*Trinity Hymnal*, No. 651)HE LIFTED ME

† **The Benediction**

† **The Organ Postlude** – Postlude on *Diademata*.....arr. Metzger

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

The Law was given not to redeem us by its holy orders, but to condemn us and point us to Christ. It served to establish the absolutes of God's holiness, to make possible a relationship with Him and to verify the eternal consequences of failure to meet the totality of His righteous and non-negotiable standards. In Christ the law's demands are met in full and His total obedience and substitutionary death provide complete and everlasting justification for His children. We are left, with the aid of the Holy Spirit, with the challenge of conforming to the expectations of our Heavenly Father. James leads us to a practical understanding as to how we give evidence of an internal faith. Join us this evening to see how we can fulfill the "royal law according to the Scripture."

Apologetics Conference

Keynote Speaker:

Founding Pastor Dr. Gordon Reed

October 21:

Dinner at 6:00 p.m. & Conference at 7:00 p.m.

RSVP for the dinner with either the insert in today's bulletin

or by visiting www.christchurchpres.org.

October 22:

Conference at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Reed is a native of Bristol Tennessee. He received his B.A. from King's College, PA, his M.Div. from Columbia Seminary in Decatur, GA, and his L.L.D. from Covenant College, Fort Worth, TX. Dr. Reed was ordained at Knoxville Presbytery, PCUS, in July 1956. He has served in eight pastorates, including Christ Church, Presbyterian as Founder. Dr. Reed is a stated supply pastor for several churches, and other ministries include the following: Founding Administrator, Ridge Haven Conference Center; Professor and Administrator, Reformed Theological Seminary; Adjunct Professor, Knox Theological Seminary; Founder and Minister of Word Ministries, Inc.; and Co-Founder of Reasonable Hope Ministry.

Dr. Reed currently serves as Pastor of New Harmony PCA in Alcolu, SC, has authored seven books, and served as Contributing Editor for the Presbyterian Journal, *Christian Observer*. He was on the Committee of Forty to Organize the PCA, the First Chairman of Administration Committee PCA, and has been the conference speaker for numerous churches throughout the United States and abroad.

Dr. Reed is married to Miriam Clark Reed and they have five children, 14 grandchildren, and nine great grandchildren.

Other Announcements

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.

Operation Christmas Child – It is our privilege once again to participate in the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project. Since 1993 over 135 million boys and girls in 150 countries and territories have received these gift-filled shoeboxes and heard the good news of the Savior—God's greatest gift. Then through evangelistic materials and follow-up discipleship programs, many of these children and their families have come to know Jesus and are now growing in their faith. People of all ages can be involved in this simple hands-on missions project while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus Christ. Please use the information in the bulletin insert to assist you in packing your shoeboxes. Pre-wrapped shoeboxes are available in the foyer, and filled boxes will be collected on October 29, November 5, and November 12. Let's all take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with girls and boys around the world. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Ann Fliermans via an email to rafliermans@comcast.net.

Youth Events – Are you interested in going to the Richmond County Fair? If so, Chris Nabholz has 30 free parking and admission tickets for their *Youth Night* this Tuesday, October 17. Please contact Chris at youth@christchurchpres.org to claim your ticket(s).

Looking for Youth Gathering Hosts – Each month, we hold two Youth Gatherings after evening worship. Families are needed who are willing to open their home for this youth group fellowship. These events last until 9:00 p.m. and food is provided by Chris Nabholz. If you are interested to volunteer your time and home to the Youth Ministry, please email Chris at youth@christchurchpres.org.

Fall Fun Festival – Kids, mark your parents' calendars for our annual Fall Fun Festival which will take place Friday, October 27, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on the church campus. There will be games with candy prizes, a huge 50' inflatable obstacle course, costumes, face painting, and food. This will be a fun evening for everyone and we want to see you there!

Food Drive – Christ Church is once again partnering with the Golden Harvest Food Bank in supporting their "It's Spooky to Be Hungry" campaign. We are asking for donations of non-perishable, commercially prepared food (no baby food or formula) now through October 31. Please place your donations in either of the two GHFB canisters located in Covenant Hall and the narthex.

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.

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.

Missionary Prayer

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

Eliseo and Paula Guadagno, *Operation Mobilization, Italy*

Please pray for our teens weekend, October 14 & 15, with the Junior Coaches from Summer Camp; for safety and opportunities to speak to and hear from God. Also, pray for Sophia, a Junior Coach, and Manuela, an oldest girls camper graduate, who will serve in Colombia until December.