

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 – Away In a Manger..... arr. Forrest
Mrs. Laura Doss

The Words of Welcome & the Opening Scripture Psalm 1

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

- † The Hymn of Praise – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 226)..... DIX
As with Gladness Men of Old

• † The Prayer of Invocation

The Hymn – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 229) TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM
Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

The Hymn – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 227)..... SUSSEX CAROL
On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

The Evening Prayer John Clark, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory – Coventry Carol..... arr. Phillips
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 211)..... GOD REST YOU MERRY
God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

The New Testament Lesson..... Book of James review (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

Expositions of the Book of James

"Pastoral Reminders"

- † The Hymn of Response – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 593) SURSUM CORDA
Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

† The Benediction

The Piano Postlude – Hark! the Herald Angels Sing arr. Phillips

This Week at Christ Church

Week of December 31 – January 6

SUNDAY, December 31

8:00 a.m. WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio, and *wgac.com* Broadcasts

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Sanctuary

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

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, January 3

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

FRIDAY, January 5

8:00 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.*



Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, December 31, 2017

My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

– James 5:19-20

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 – I Wonder As I Wander arr. Lau

- The Welcome, Announcements & Invocation..... John Clark, Ruling Elder

The Choral Call to Worship French Carol, arr. Music & Pylant
Light the Light, the Fire of Life

Light the Light, the Fire of Life, let the candle reveal His glory,
Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.
Light the candle of His birth, Advent's promise now fulfilling,
Light the candle of His birth, light the light of Christmas Eve.
Light the Light, the Fire of Life, let the candle reveal His glory,
Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.
Sanctuary Choir

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 150

Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!
Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!
Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp! Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe! Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 207) IN DULCI JUBILO
Good Christian Men, Rejoice

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Gene Gojda & Mel Jewett.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Chris Lammie, Ed Russell & Derrick Smits.

The Deacon on Duty is Wade Caldwell.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Charles Bowen & Glynn Dyer.

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

The Deacon on Duty will be Stephen Dyer.

Staff

Rev. Robert Hendrick, Pastor-Elect

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 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** (735 in the Trinity Hymnal)..... GLORIA PATRI

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.

• **The Gospel Lesson**.....Matthew 7:1-11 (page 812)

The Response

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

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 – Listen to the LambsRuth Elaine Schram

We have waited for the King, our Messiah. We have heard the angels sing of His birth.
But, here we are in a stable, surrounded by gentle lambs.
By some miracle, they seem to understand. Listen to the lambs.

Refrain: Some see a child, but we see the Great Shepherd.
Some hear a baby’s cry, but we hear our Maker.
We know we stand in the presence of the great I AM.
So, listen, listen to the lambs.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes. Cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes.
But the lambs hear the voice of God in the cries that He makes.
These innocent, simple creatures; it seems they know their Creator.
O Jesus, give us the faith to see and accept Your deity. *Refrain*
Sanctuary Choir with the Children’s Choir; Kay Lovingood, Director

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (Trinity Hymnal, No. 224)..... GO TELL IT

Go, Tell It on the Mountain
On the final verse, children in K4 – 3rd Grade may exit for Catechism.

The New Testament LessonJames 5:12-20 (page 1013)

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
Expositions of the Book of James
"Fruitful Ministry"

† **The Hymn of Response** – All for Jesus (Trinity Hymnal, No. 565).....WYCLIFF

† **The Benediction**

† **The Organ Postlude** – Shepherd's Pipe Carolarr. Wood

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

This evening we conclude our journey through the Book of James. How we respond to this powerful letter from James will determine the effectiveness of our walk with Christ. While the foundation of our faith rests upon solid theology, our creeds will never register in the marketplace of ideas without substantial and consistent evidence. Our lives are the true demonstration the world requires. Please join us this evening for an important review.



The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;

great is your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,

“therefore I will hope in Him.”

Lamentations 3:22-24

Other Announcements

Christmas Missionary Love-Gifts – Christ Church members celebrate the Christmas season each year with donations toward a monetary Christmas gift to our missionaries who are serving in the field, as an extra remembrance of their work for the Gospel. If you were unable to attend our recent dinner and would like to make a contribution, please mark your donation "Missionary Love-Gift" and place it in the offering plate today.

Jews for Jesus Gifts – Special donations are being accepted to express love and appreciation for the Jews for Jesus evangelism ministry. Please contribute as God directs by placing your donation in the offering plate today, marked "Jews for Jesus."

Stewardship Pledge Cards – Recently, we had the opportunity to lay before the Lord our financial commitments to the work of Christ Church for 2018. If you were unable to participate, please prayerfully consider what the Lord would have you give in support of His work through Christ Church and place your card in the offering plate today. Our Deacons have additional pledge cards for your use.

Children's Program Break – The children will remain in the Sanctuary during evening worship as the Children's Program will be on break until Sunday, January 7, 2018.

Community Service Opportunity – We will be serving in the dining room at the Master's Table located at 702 Fenwick Street in Augusta on Friday, January 19, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. If you would like to be a part of this opportunity to serve the Lord locally, please contact either Emily Adams (706-627-0784) or Julie Dey (706-294-2436).

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
January 2706-737-5953, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... Jones Home
January 9706-231-3758, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans

THURSDAY

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Boyd Home
January 11 706-736-4373, 9 Summerville Lane in Augusta

Missionary Prayer

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

Clay and Darlene Quarterman, *Mission to the World (PCA), Ukraine*
Praise for the purchase of a building for ERSU (*Evangelical Reformed Seminary of Ukraine*)! Funds are still needed for refurbishing, but our plans are to have it ready by fall of 2018. Pray for our furlough to be filled with visits with family as well as supporting churches. Clay recently underwent surgery to repair a torn muscle in his arm. A long recovery will be required; however, our plans are to continue sharing all the great things God continues to do in Ukraine.