

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.....American Folk Melody, arr. Dan Forrest
What Wondrous Love Is This?
Mrs. Sue Moncrief

The Words of Welcome & the Opening Scripture Psalm 95:6-7
Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

- † The Hymn of Praise – Victory in Jesus (*Family Songs, No. 82*).....HARTFORD

- † The Prayer of Invocation

The Children's Choir (*insert*)..... Kay Lovingood, Director

The Evening Prayer.....Mike Boyd, Ruling Elder

The Offering & the Offertory..... Philip Bliss, arr. Tedd Smith
Hallelujah, What a Savior!
Mrs. Sue Moncrief and Mrs. Laura Doss
(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

- † The Hymn of Preparation – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 335*)..... REDHEAD 76
Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Lesson.....1 John 4:1-6 (*page 1023*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon The Rev. Robert Hendrick, Pastor
STRENGTHENING OUR FAITH
"Testing the Spirits"

The Sermon Outline

- I. Caution—Don't Believe Everything You Hear (v. 1)
 - II. Command—Test the Teaching (v. 1)
 - A.) Comprehensive Word of God
 - B.) Christological Focus (v. 2)
 - 1.) Christ is Pre-existent
 - 2.) Christ was Fully Human and Fully Divine
 - III. Confusion—Switching Sides (v. 4-6)
 - IV. Prophets Today?
 - V. Followers of Christ
- Takaways
1 John 2:14b — "... the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one."

- † The Hymn of Response – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 679*)..... TRUST IN JESUS
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude – All Creatures of Our God and King...arr. Cindy Berry

This Week at Christ Church

Week of March 25 – March 31

SUNDAY, March 25

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

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 Rehearsal Sanctuary

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

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Sanctuary

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

MONDAY, March 26

6:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls..... Upper Room

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

WEDNESDAY, March 28

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

THURSDAY, March 29

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion Sanctuary

FRIDAY, March 30

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

12:00 p.m..... Good Friday Noonday Service..... Sanctuary

*Please see the Home Bible Study Schedule following Other Announcements
for upcoming opportunities to study God's Word.*

The Church Office will be open Monday through Thursday this week due to Good Friday.

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are Mike Boyd & Billy Hatcher.

Ushers are Stephen Dyer, Charles Kimbrell & Ed Russell.

The Deacon on Duty is Ed Russell.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Jim Avery, Derrick Smits & Noah Stephens.

The Deacon on Duty will be Derrick Smits.

Staff

Rev. Robert Hendrick, *Pastor*

Dr. Stan Pylant, *Director of Music*; Mrs. Laura Doss, *Organist*

Mr. Chris Nabholz, *Interim Director of Student Ministries*

Mrs. Fay Deal, *Director of Children's Ministries*

Mrs. Shirley McBride, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*

Mr. Scott Doss, *AV & Digital Media Director*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Sexton*

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Palm Sunday

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

– Matthew 21:9b

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 – Lift Up Your Headsarr. Burkhardt

- The Welcome, Announcements & Invocation....The Rev. Robert Hendrick, Pastor

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 33:1-4

Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the Lord is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness.

The Choral Call to Worship..... Ellacombe, arr. Pylant

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;

Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;

To Jesus, Who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,

The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

Sanctuary Choir and Christ Church Brass

- † The Hymn of Adoration – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 235*)..... ST. THEODULPH
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

† **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 Old Testament Lesson**Isaiah 9:2–7 (*page 573*)

The Response

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

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 – The Ground (*sung in Latin*) Ola Gjeilo

The Heaven and earth are Yours
Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest
He Who comes in the name of Lord is blessed
He Who comes is blessed
Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest
Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world
Grant us peace.

Sanctuary Choir and Laura Doss, *piano*

† **The Hymn of Preparation** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 198*).....TRURO

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

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

The Gospel Lesson Matthew 21:1–17 (*page 826*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – YOU AIN’T SEEN NOTHIN’ YET..... The Rev. Hendrick

The Sermon Outline

I. Look Back (v. 1)

- A.) Stump of Jesse (Is. 11:1; Mt. 1:5)
- B.) Virgin birth (Isa. 7:14; Mt. 1:18)
- C.) Line of David (Isa. 9:7; Mt. 1)
- D.) Place of Birth (Micah 5:1–5; Mt. 2:1)

II. Look Out

- A.) Power over nature
- B.) Power over the spiritual world
- C.) Power over the flesh
- D.) Power in His Teaching
- E.) Proclamation of Self to be the Messiah (Mt. 11:2–6; Mt. 16:16)
- F.) Proclamation of Others about Him (Jn. 1:29; Mt. 27:54; Mt. 3:17)

III. Look For

- A.) King coming on a donkey (Zec. 9:9)
- B.) Guard His temple (Is. 56:7)
- C.) Praised by children (Psalm 8)

IV. Look Forward

2 Cor. 6:2 – "... behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

† **The Hymn of Response** – (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 263*)..... CRUCIFER
Lift High the Cross

† **The Benediction**

† **The Organ Postlude** – All Glory, Laud, and Honor.....arr. Davis

*The palm branches in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God
and in honor of His Son, Jesus, our Savior.*

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 by the piano after the service.

Evening Worship

Have you ever wondered if the direction and/or advice you're following is actually from God the Father? As God instructs, we are to assess the spirits making sure that they are heaven sent. Be sure to join us this evening to learn this valuable lesson and to sharpen your faith in Christ as the Rev. Robbie Hendrick continues the series *Strengthening Our Faith* with the message, "Testing the Spirits," from 1 John 4:1–6.

Holy Week Worship

Mark your calendar today and join us for Holy Week, March 29–April 1. The week will begin with Maundy Thursday Communion on March 29 at 7:00 p.m., followed by Good Friday noonday worship on March 30. Holy Week will close with Easter Sunday morning worship on April 1, and *Evensong: An Easter Celebration* at 6:00 p.m. with the Sanctuary Choir and orchestra. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join in this special time of worship of our Lord and Savior – Jesus Christ!

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 with a report by Kim Green of what God is doing through Child Evangelism Fellowship. 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.

Easter Evensong Set Up – We are planning to set up for our Easter Evensong celebration tonight, following evening worship. There will be areas of help and service for all. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring your tools. Your efforts will be blessed as well as a blessing.

2018 Graduates – If you have a student graduating from high school or college this spring, please notify the church office no later than Tuesday, April 3. Please call the office at 706–210–9090 or send an email to secretary@christchurchpres.org, providing the student’s full name, school, and degree earned.

VBS Need – Teaching Assistants needed! Helping hands in our preschool and primary classes are places where several pairs of helping hands are necessary. Please prayerfully consider lending your hands June 11–15. Volunteer forms are on the table in the narthex. Please complete one and place it in the VBS basket.

Free Hymnals – We are saying "farewell" to our first hymnals – The Hymnbook, which were a gracious gift to us upon our initiation as a church. If you would like to have a copy of this hymnal, please feel free to call (706–210–9090) or stop by the church office by Friday, April 13, to get your copy or copies.

Home Bible Studies Schedule

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Evans..... Jones Home
March 27.....706–231–3758, 503 Thompkins Lane in Evans

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Augusta..... Moncrief Home
April 17.....706–737–5953, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta

THURSDAY

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Boyd Home
April 12 706–736–4373, 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:

Dick and Nancy Baggé, *Wycliffe Bible Translators, Kenya*

Please pray for our continued transition to Waxhaw, NC, along with the new role of counseling and psychiatric work at the JAARS center. Please also remember our family members as each are enduring pivotal phases of their lives.