

# The Lord's Day Evening

6:00 p.m.

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

- **The Piano Prelude** – Jesus Paid It All..... arr. Campbell  
Mrs. Cathie McClure, pianist

**The Words of Welcome & Prayer of Invocation** .....Elder Mel Jewett

- † **The Hymn Insert** – A Charge to Keep I Have ..... BOYLSTON

**The Evening Prayer** ..... Dr. Rod Culbertson, *Pulpit Guest*

**The Hymn Insert** – Before the Throne of God Above..... THRONE ROOM

## The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

**The Piano Offertory** – My Jesus, I Love Thee ..... arr. Halberg

**The Hymn No. 655** .....HIDING IN THEE  
O Safe to the Rock That Is Higher Than I  
*On the final verse, children in K-4 through Grade 4 may exit for the Children's program.*

**The Psalter Reading** ..... Psalm 31 (page 461)

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

## The Prayer for Illumination

**The Sermon** – SURE HANDS.....Dr. Culbertson

- † **The Hymn No. 500** – Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me..... NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

- † **The Benediction**

**The Piano Postlude** – Brandenburg Concert no. V, 1 .....Bach

# This Week at Christ Church

Week of January 6 – January 12, 2012

## SUNDAY, January 6

8:00 a.m..... WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio Broadcast

9:45 a.m.....Sunday School

Nursery (Birth–23 mos.).....Nursery 1

Preschool (24–48 mos.).....Nursery 2

K-4 – K-5 ..... Children's House

Grades 1-3 ..... Children's House

Grades 4-5 ..... Children's House

Middle & High School Youth ..... Youth House

Special Education..... Deacons' Room

Adult..... Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m. ....Morning Worship..... Sanctuary

*On the second hymn, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.*

4:30 p.m. ....Augusta Youth Chorale Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

5:15 p.m. ....Prayer Meeting ..... Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. .... Evening Worship ..... Sanctuary

*On the third hymn, children in K4 through Grade 4 may exit for the Children's Program.*

## TUESDAY, January 8

7:00 p.m. .... Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting.....Office

## WEDNESDAY, January 9

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

## THURSDAY, January 10

6:45 p.m. .... Women's Bible Study ..... Boyd Home

## FRIDAY, January 11

7:00 a.m..... Men's Prayer.....Office

## Assisting in the Services

*Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are John Dunsmore & Charles McClure.*

*Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Jonathan Kimbrell, John Norkus & Ed Russell.*

*The Deacon on Duty is Ed Russell.*

*Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Mel Jewett & Gene Gojda.*

*Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lanier Adams, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell, John Norkus & Mark Walters.*

*The Deacon on Duty will be Ora Parish.*

## Staff

Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*; Mr. Scott Doss, *Interim Office Manager & A/V Director*;

Mrs. Laura Lowe, *Morning Organist*;

Mrs. Shirley Taylor, *Bookkeeper*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Custodian*

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# The Lord's Day Morning Christ Church, Presbyterian

Epiphany Sunday

January 6, 2013 – 11:00 a.m.

*To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. – Revelation 1:5*

## Epiphany: The Light of the World Revealed & Revealing

There is no figure more common in Scripture, and none more beautiful, than that by which Christ is likened unto light. Incomprehensible in its nature, itself the first visible, and that by which all things are seen, light represents to us Christ. Whose generation none can declare, but Who must shine upon us ere we can know aught aright, whether of things Divine or human.

*Herman Melville, 1819–1891*

## The Order of Worship

† indicates the congregation standing; • indicates seating for those detained

*Please silence all cell phones and pagers.*

- **The Organ Prelude** .....Woodman  
*Partita on How Brightly Shines the Morning Star*

*The Prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship.*

**The Choral Call to Worship** .....Young

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

No man cometh unto the Father but by Me.

- **The Words of Welcome and Announcements**.....Elder Billy Hatcher

**The Scriptural Call to Worship** ..... Isaiah 9:2; 1 Peter 2:9

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**People: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
On them has light shined.**

Leader: You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood,  
A holy nation, a people belonging to God.

**People: That you may declare the praises of Him  
Who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.**

## The Prayer of Invocation

- † **The Hymn No. 226** – As with Gladness Men of Old..... DIX

† **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 Choral Anthem** .....Mendelssohn

Now be my heart inspired to sing the glories of my Savior King;

He comes with blessings from above, and wins the nations to His love;

Let endless honors crown Thy head,

Let every age and every tongue Thy praises spread!

Thy throne, O God, forever stands; grace is the scepter in Thy hands:

Thy laws and works are just and right, but truth and mercy Thy delight;

Let every age and every tongue confess Thee, Lord!

**The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession**.....Dr. Rod Culbertson

*Pulpit Guest*

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (1 John 1:9)

*If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

**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 New Testament Reading**.....John 6:52-71 (*page 892*)

**The Response**.....Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades,

**People: But the word of our God stands forever.**

**The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication**

**The Organ Offertory** - Bethlehem, Of Noblest Cities.....Johnson

† **The Hymn No. 398** - Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies.....LUX PRIMA

*On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.*

**The Psalter Reading** .....Psalm 73 (*page 485*)

**The Response** ..... Revelation 2:29

Pastor: He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says.

**People: Grant us ears, O Lord, to hear Your word.**

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**The Sermon** - WHEN BELIEVERS DOUBT ..... Dr. Culbertson

† **The Hymn No. 605** - All the Way My Savior Leads Me ..... ALL THE WAY

† **The Benediction**

† **The Benediction Response** (*sung by all*).....ANTIOCH

**He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove**

**The glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love;**

**And wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.**

**The Organ Postlude** - Lord Christ, The Only Son of God ..... Bach

### Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Our hope is that as the Word is preached, as prayers are lifted up, and as hymns and anthems are sung, you will be blessed by the corporate worship of the triune God and will return to worship with us again soon. One of our Elders will be stationed near the piano following the service should you desire to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member here, or how to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

### Pulpit Guest

Dr. Rod Culbertson serves as Associate Professor of Practical Theology and Dean of Student Development at Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, North Carolina. Before coming to RTS, he ministered for 10 years to college students at the University of Florida through Reformed University Ministries and the PCA. After his ministry at UF, he and his wife, Cathy, planted a church in Clearwater, Florida. In addition to his work at RTS, Dr. Culbertson has an at-large teaching ministry known as Christian Foundations Ministry, and he is a member of the Advisory Committee for Brookstone Schools, a non-denominational Christ-centered school in uptown Charlotte.

### Evening Worship

Is there someplace you would rather be this evening than gathered with God's people to worship Him? Be sure to return for Evening Worship at 6:00 when Dr. Culbertson will preach a sermon about "Sure Hands" from Psalm 31.

### Communion & Fellowship Luncheon

Next Sunday, January 13, we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during Morning Worship. All communing members of Christ Church are urged to be present. Following the service we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken will be provided for a donation of any amount. Members are asked to bring a generous side dish, salad or dessert to share. *Please use the RSVP form inserted in today's bulletin to indicate the number of adults and children who will be attending.*

### Augusta Youth Chorale & Canadian Pianist in Concert

Thursday, January 24, at 7:00 p.m. the Augusta Youth Chorale will present Canadian pianist, Brad Parker, in a benefit concert here in our sanctuary. A free-will offering will be received with proceeds going toward the purchase of folding choral risers for the AYC to use in their performances. Dr. Parker is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and has also studied at the Paris Conservatory. His program will feature works of Edvard Grieg and Johannes Brahms. The Augusta Youth Chorale will also perform.

### Ministry Opportunity

If you enjoy singing, but are unable to commit to the regular ministry of the choir, please consider joining us in our preparations for the Resurrection Festival Service on Easter Sunday evening. Contact Mark Nabholz (*music@christchurchpres.org*) for more information. *Nurseries are provided for all rehearsals.* The scheduled Easter rehearsals are as follows:

Saturday, January 26	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Saturday, February 9	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Wednesday, February 20	7:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 23	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Wednesday, March 27	7:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 30	2:30-5:00 p.m.*
Sunday, March 31 ( <i>Service</i> )	6:00 p.m.

*\*Dress Rehearsal with Orchestra.*

### Other Announcements

**Women's Bible Study** - The Women's Bible Study will resume this Thursday continuing their study of the book of Psalms. The group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month from 6:45 until 8:00 p.m. and will gather this week at the home of Monica Boyd, 9 Summerville Lane in Augusta. If you plan to attend, please contact Charlotte Jewett at *cjjewett@att.net* so that she can add you to the list to receive a study guide each week. If you do not have email or a printer, copies will be available on the Welcome Table.

**Hiding the Word in Our Hearts** - Next Sunday, January 13, we will begin a new Scripture memory plan here at Christ Church. Each week we will learn and meditate on one verse of Scripture using material from the Navigators. The packets we will use can be obtained in "app" form for \$3.00. Printed packets are available on the Welcome Table for \$5.00.

**Poinsettias** - For several weeks we have enjoyed having our sanctuary decorated in celebration of Christmas. The poinsettias that have been a part of those decorations are now in Covenant Hall. If you wish to claim the ones that you purchased, please plan to do so today. Those that remain will be delivered to a local nursing home so that they may be enjoyed by others in our community.

**Christmas Festival Service CD's** - Compact Disc recordings of this year's Christmas Festival Service will be available in the next few weeks at a cost of \$12.00 each. *Orders may be placed using the signup sheet on the Welcome Table.*

### Pray for Our Missionaries

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

Child Evangelism Fellowship, *Augusta, Georgia*

Paul and Laura Chinchon, *African Bible Colleges, Malawi, Uganda, and Liberia*

Cheryl Crocker, *Mission to the World (PCA)*

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