

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 Prelude** – Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us arr. Bonam
Sarah Moore, piano; Brian Moore, flügelhorn

The Words of Welcome & Prayer of Invocation..... Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

- † **The Hymn No. 705** – I Know Whom I Have BelievedEL NATHAN

The Evening Prayer..... Rev. Jones

The Hymn No. 599 – Savior, like a Shepherd Lead UsBRADBURY

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing..... arr. Foster

- † **The Hymn No. 655**..... HIDING IN THEE
O Safe to the Rock That Is Higher Than I
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 4 may exit for the Children's program.

The Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 25:1-43 (*page 247*)

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – STORM AVERTED..... Rev. Jones

- † **The Hymn No. 598** – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah.....CWM RHONDDA

- † **The Benediction**

The Postlude – Guide Me, O Thou Great JehovahCWM RHONDDA

This Week at Christ Church

Week of March 3 – March 9, 2013

SUNDAY, March 3

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 Covenant Hall

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.

12:15 p.m..... Fellowship Luncheon Covenant Hall

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

5:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting Covenant 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, March 5

10:00 a.m. Women's Morning Bible Study Jones Home

WEDNESDAY, March 6

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Youth Gathering..... Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

THURSDAY, March 7

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

FRIDAY, March 8

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer..... Covenant Hall

SATURDAY, March 9

8:30 a.m..... Inquirer's Class Breakfast Covenant Hall

9:00 a.m..... Inquirer's Class..... Sanctuary Conf. Room

Assisting in the Services

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

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 Glynn Dyer & Billy Hatcher.

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*; Mrs. Becky Saxon, *Office Manager & Bookkeeper*;

Mrs. Laura Lowe, *Organist*;

Mr. Scott Doss, *AV Director*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Custodian*

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The Lord's Day Morning Christ Church, Presbyterian

The Third Sunday of Lent

March 3, 2013 – 11:00 a.m.

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

The Extent of God's Love

The extent of God's love at Calvary is seen in both the infinite cost to Him of giving His one and only Son, and in the wretched and miserable condition of those He loved. God could not remove our sins without an infinite cost to both Himself and His Son. And because of Their great love for us, both were willing – yes more than merely willing – to pay that great cost, the Father in giving His one and only Son, and the Son in laying down His life for us. One of the essential characteristics of love is the element of self-sacrifice, and this was demonstrated for us to its ultimate in God's love at Calvary.

Jerry Bridges (b. 1929)

The Order of Worship

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

Please silence all cell phones and pagers.

- **The Organ Prelude** – O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded Brahms
Laura Lowe, organist

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

The Choral Call to Worship Stainer

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed powers,
All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.
O what wonder! How amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings,
Deigns to call me His beloved, lets me rest beneath His wings.

- **The Words of Welcome and Announcements**..... Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

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

Pastor: 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.**

Pastor: 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. 263** – Lift High the Cross..... CRUCIFER

† **The Confession of Faith** The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen. (*universal)

† **The Doxology** (*Trinity Hymnal No. 731*).....OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession.....Rev. Jones

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (1 Peter 2:24)
He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

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 Old Testament Reading..... Genesis 22:1-14 (*page 16*)

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

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

The Offertory Anthem..... FARABEE, arr Parker

Come and taste along with me consolation flowing free,
From the Father’s wealthy throne, sweeter than the honeycomb.
*Refrain: I’ll praise God and you praise God, and we’ll all praise God together;
We’ll praise the Lord for the work that He has done, and we’ll bless His name forever.*

All that come with free good will make the banquet sweeter still;
Now I go to Mercy’s door, asking for a little more. *Refrain.*

Goodness running like a stream through the new Jerusalem,
By a constant breaking forth sweetens earth and heaven both. *Refrain.*

† **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 New Testament Reading..... John 3:16-21 (*page 888*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – NO GREATER MISSION!.....Rev. Jones

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

† **The Communion Hymn No. 455** (vss. 1-3)SAGINA
And Can It Be That I Should Gain

The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
The Distribution of the Elements – *Please partake as you are served.*
The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

† **The Parting Hymn No. 455** (vss. 4-5)..... SAGINA
And Can It Be That I Should Gain

† **The Benediction**

† **The Benediction Response** (*sung by all*)..... SICILIAN MARINERS HYMN
Lord dismiss us with Thy blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

The Organ Postlude – Kyrie, God the Holy Ghost 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.

Evening Worship

Don’t miss the opportunity to fellowship with God’s people around His Word this evening. Return for Worship at 6:00 p.m. when Pastor Jones continues our study of 1 Samuel with sermon entitled “Storm Averted” from 1 Samuel 25:1-43.

Communion and Fellowship Luncheon

Today we will observe the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during Morning Worship. Following the service we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken will be provided for a donation of any amount. If you are visiting with us today, you are warmly welcomed to be our guest.

Communion Offering

All cash offerings collected this morning will be used for the Diaconate Relief Fund. If you desire to write a check for this purpose, please note “Diaconate Relief” in the memo line.

Scripture Memory

This week we continue our review of the verses from Scripture that we have been memorizing, so take time to recall and meditate on these verses: 2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20, Romans 12:1, John 14:21, 2 Timothy 3:16, and Joshua 1:8.

Weekly Wednesday Youth Gathering

The Youth will meet this Wednesday, March 6, from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. A snack supper at 6:30 will be followed by a time of activities and music led by Chris Nabholz, then teaching and prayer led by Lee Self. All young people in sixth grade and above are encouraged to attend this time of fellowship and spiritual growth through the study of God’s Word.

Church Workday

At Christ Church we have been richly blessed by God with beautiful facilities, and it is our desire to be good stewards of the gifts we have been given. Please join us on Saturday, March 16, for our church workday as we spend some time doing our spring cleaning. This workday is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship, and it will allow us to beautify the church property and make minor repairs to our buildings. We will do our work from 9 am until Noon, and, if you have tools such as clippers, trimmers, rakes, wheel barrows, wagons, and work gloves, please bring them with you. “Many hands make light work,” so please mark your calendar and come lend a hand.

Vacation Bible School

Come join us June 17-21: THE RACE IS ON! *“For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself.”* (Acts 2:39)
Christ Church is excited to serve our families as well as those in our community by hosting a Vacation Bible School this summer. Through skits, music, stories, and Scripture memory, we hope to share the good news of Jesus and nurture young believers to run the race set before them. **To offer this exciting ministry, we need many volunteers of all ages. Please prayerfully consider how you can be part of this vital mission work. Volunteer sheets that you may complete and place in a drop box can be found on the Welcome Table. Please call Sheila Self at 252-622-8097 with any questions.**

Easter Lilies

If you would like to place a lily in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday in honor or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form inserted in today’s bulletin and place it in the offering plate, along with payment, no later than Sunday, March 17. The cost of each plant is \$25.00. Additional order forms may be obtained from the ushers. Please use a separate form for each Easter lily ordered.

Other Announcements

Women’s Morning Bible Study – This study of Philippians will meet this Tuesday, March 5, at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Josiah and Jenn Jones, 718 Talon Court in Evans.

Adult Bible Study – This study of the book of Genesis will meet at the home of Ron and Sue Moncrief, 2910 Mayfair Road in Augusta, this Thursday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m.

Men’s Prayer – Men of Christ Church, you are warmly welcomed to Friday morning prayer beginning at 7:00 in Covenant Hall. We now begin with a homemade breakfast followed by a brief devotion from our Pastor and then a time of prayer.

New Office Hours – Beginning this week the Christ Church office will be open Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

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:

- Tim and Lana Higginbotham, NAIM, Vancouver, Canada
- Kermit and Cheryl Horn, Greenhouse in Paris, France
- Institute for Creation Research (ICR)
- Jay and Nancy Matsinger, Mission to the World (PCA), France