

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** – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Forrest
Mrs. Sarah Moore, pianist

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

- † **The Hymn No. 119** – I Sing the Almighty Power of GodFOREST GREEN

The Evening Prayer..... Rev. Jones

The New Testament ReadingHebrews 4:1–13 (*page 1002*)

- † **The Children's Choir** – Come to the Lord with Singing..... Althouse

Come to the Lord with singing; Lift up your voice in song.
Sing to the Lord with gladness; Praise Him loud and strong.

Come to the Lord with singing; Joyfully we proclaim.
Sing to the Lord in Heaven; Praise His holy name.

Sing alleluia, allelu! He is Lord and King.
Sing alleluia, allelu! Praise to Him we bring.

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory Anthem – God's Word Lovingood

Miss Kay Lovingood, Conductor; Mrs. Laura Lowe, Accompanist

(Refrain)

God's Word is like a promise: it tells us He will stay
Close by us when we're troubled at night and in the day.
It tells us that He loves us, and of His caring, too.
God's Word is like a promise from God to me and you.

Joshua 1:9

"The Lord your God is with you, the Lord your God is with you,
The Lord your God is with you everywhere you go." *(Refrain)*

Jeremiah 33:3

"Call upon Me and I will answer thee,
and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." *(Refrain)*

John 6:35

"I am the Bread of Life, I am the Bread of Life.
He who comes to Me shall never, never hunger.
I am the Bread of Life, I am the Bread of Life.
He who believes in Me shall never thirst." *(Refrain)*

- † **The Hymn Insert** – Speak, O LordGETTY

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 4 may exit for the Children's program.

The Old Testament Reading1 Samuel 28:3–25 (*page 250*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – ABANDONED!..... Rev. Jones

- † **The Hymn Insert** – How Deep the Father's Love TOWNEND

- † **The Benediction**

The Piano Postlude – I Sing the Almighty Power of GodFOREST GREEN

This Week at Christ Church

Week of March 24 – March 30

SUNDAY, March 24

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.

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.

7:30 p.m. Youth Gathering..... Jones Home

TUESDAY, March 26

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study..... Hatcher Home

WEDNESDAY, March 27

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

7:00 p.m. Easter Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

THURSDAY, March 28

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service..... Sanctuary

FRIDAY, March 29

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

SATURDAY, March 30

2:30 p.m. Easter Choir Dress Rehearsal Sanctuary

Assisting in the Services

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

Ushers are Lanier Adams, William Jewett, Charles Kimbrell, John Norkus & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty is John Norkus.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be George Bowen & Billy Hatcher.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Jonathan Kimbrell, John Norkus & Ed Russell.

The Deacon on Duty will be Wade Caldwell.

Staff

Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*; Mrs. Becky Saxon, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*;

Mrs. Laura Lowe, *Morning Organist*; Mr. Mark Dickens, *Evening Organist*;

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

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The Lord's Day Morning Christ Church, Presbyterian

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2013 – 11:00 a.m.

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

Why Theology Matters in Worship

"Proper worship in any age is critically predicated upon adequate and accurate knowledge of the God worshiped. No matter how ceremonially elaborate, emotionally rousing, or sermonically eloquent, worship that is not offered from a proper understanding of who God is falls short."

–Andreas Köstenberger, (b. 1957)

The Order of Worship

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

Please silence all cell phones and pagers.

- **The Organ Prelude** – *Intrada* McKelvey

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 Larson

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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

The Scriptural Call to Worship Luke 19:38

Pastor: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

The Prayer of Invocation

- † **The Hymn No. 235** – All Glory, Laud, and Honor ST. THEODULPH

† **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 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 (Psalm 103:8-12)

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will He keep His anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

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.... 2 Chronicles 6:18-21, 40-42; 7:1-3 (*page 362*)

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 Sleeth

There'll be joy in the morning on that day,

With the light of dawn, the dark is gone, there'll be joy in the morning on that day.

There'll be peace and contentment evermore,

Every heart and voice will then rejoice, there'll be peace evermore!

And the glory of the Lord will shine upon us,

And the glory of the Lord will bring the truth divine.

There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere,

And the way of the Lord will that day be restored, there'll be love everywhere.

Every heart, every voice will together rejoice,

There'll be love and foregiveness, there'll be peace and contentment, there'll be joy!

† **The Hymn** - Hosanna, Loud Hosanna..... ELLACOMBE

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

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.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,

The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.

The Lord of men and angels rode on in lowly state,

Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

Hosanna in the highest! that ancient song we sing,

For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of Heaven our King.

O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,

And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!

The New Testament Reading.....John 4:19-26 (*page 889*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon - WANTED: TRUE WORSHIPPERSRev. Jones

† **The Hymn No. 115** - All Creatures of Our God and King.....LASST UNS ERFREUEN

† **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 - O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High.....Johnson

Scripture Memory

We encourage you this week to memorize and meditate on Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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 as we return for Worship at 6:00. The newly-formed Children's Choir will sing, led by Kay Lovingood and accompanied by Laura Lowe, and we continue our study of 1 Samuel with Pastor Jones preaching about "Abandoned!" from 1 Samuel 28:3-25.

Maundy Thursday Service

Our April observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will take place this coming Thursday as a part of our Maundy Thursday service. The choir will sing and Rev. Jones will bring the message. Please make every effort to be present.

Resurrection Festival Service

On Easter Sunday, March 31, the Christ Church Choir accompanied by the Lyra Vivace Chamber Orchestra will present a beautiful musical setting of the ancient *Te Deum* text, by composer Otto Olsson. Invite friends and family to accompany you to this festive service celebrating Christ's resurrection. Invitation cards are available on the Welcome Table. Rev. Jones will bring the homily.

Other Announcements

Youth Gathering - Tonight following Evening Worship the Youth of Christ Church will gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Jenn and Josiah Jones, 718 Talon Court in Evans.

Men's Bible Study - All men are encouraged to attend this Bible study held in the home of Debra and Billy Hatcher, 1067 Peninsula Crossing in Evans on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The study, led by Elder Billy Hatcher, meets this Tuesday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Youth Gathering - This Wednesday the Youth will meet from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. A snack supper will be served at 6:30 in Covenant Hall, followed by a time of activities, music, teaching and prayer. Chris Nabholz and Lee Self lead the gathering.

Men's Prayer - This weekly gathering of the men of Christ Church begins at 7:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall with a homemade breakfast followed by a brief devotion from our Pastor and then a time of prayer. All men are welcomed.

Evangelism Explosion Training - Our Savior has called us to be witnesses. To help us fulfill this high calling, Christ Church is planning to offer Evangelism Explosion (EE) training to the congregation in the near future. To that end, our pastor will be attending a three-day leadership training program for EE certification at Briarwood Presbyterian Church on April 8-10. The Session of Christ Church is excited to offer members interested in participating in this training the opportunity to do so with training and hotel expenses covered by the church. If you are interested in attending, please notify an elder of Christ Church today.

Pictorial Directories - Updated pictorial directories are available on the Welcome Table for Christ Church members and regular attenders.

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:

Rick and Betty Aschmann, *Mission to the World (PCA), Ecuador*

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

Bob and Andrea Burnham, *Mission to the World (PCA), Ukraine*

Louis and Anne Carter, *SIM, Kenya and Papua New Guinea*

Congratulations

Congratulations to Allyn and Stephen Dyer on the birth of their son, William Gabriel, on Thursday, February 21, in Augusta. Congratulations are extended as well to grandparents Lena and Glynn Dyer.