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Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness.
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.
Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majesty and love and authority.
Words of pow’t that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief.
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us –
Truths unchained from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we’ll stand as You stand with us.
Speak, O Lord, ‘till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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

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The Power of a Personal Experience of Grace

There is no kind of evidence so satisfactory as a personal experience of grace to the heart of a real Christian. His knowledge may be small. His faith may be feeble. His doctrinal views may be at present confused and indistinct. But if Christ has really wrought a work of grace in his heart by His Spirit, he feels within him something that you cannot overthrow. ‘I was dark, and now I have light. I was afraid of God, and now I love Him. I was fond of sin, and now I hate it. I was blind, and now I see.’ Let us avoid distractions during worship, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

Pastors of young children are encouraged to take advantage of the nursery and Cry Room.

Assisting in the Services
Elders greeting at the doors before this morning’s service are Mike Boyd @ Glenn Drive.
Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Mark Goodell, William Jewett @ Ed Russell.
The Deacon on Duty is John Norkus.
Elders greeting at the doors next Lord’s Day will be George Bowen & Gene Gojda.
Ushers next Lord’s Day will be Lanier Adams, William Jewett, Charles Kimbrell, John Norkus & Mark Watters.

This Week at Christ Church
Week of September 15–21

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
8:00 a.m. ....................................... WGAC, 680AM 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 …............................... DisCord’ Room
Adults ………………………………………... Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m. ....................................... Morning Worship ………………….. Sanctuary
On the third hymn, children in K-4 through Grade 3 may exit for Gathe拥in.
4:00 p.m. ........................... Augusta Youth Chorale Parent Meeting …………………... Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. ........................... Augusta Youth Chorale Rehearsal …………………... Sanctuary
5:15 p.m. ........................... Prayer Meeting ……………………………... Covenant Hall
6:00 p.m. ........................... Evening Worship ……………………………... Sanctuary

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
6:00 p.m. ……………………………… Christianity Explored …………………... Covenant Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
6:30 p.m. ……………………………… Youth Gathering ……………………………... Covenant Hall
7:00 p.m. ……………………………… Choir Rehearsal ……………………………... Sanctuary

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
7:00 p.m. ……………………………… Adult Bible Study ……………………………... Moncrief Home
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
7:00 a.m. ……………………………… Men’s Prayer Breakfast ……………………………... Covenant Hall
† The Confession of Faith
1 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
Tune: “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 Assurances of Pardon (Isaiah 55:6-7)
Seek the Lord while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God for He will abundantly pardon.
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
Isaiah 42:1-9 (page 622)
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
Shaker Song, arr. Siegfried

† The Hymn (from Psalm 121) ST. GEORGES, WINDSOR
Sung to the tune commonly associated with “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

To the hills I lift mine eyes where shall help for me arise? From the Lord shall come mine aid, Who the Heav’n and earth has made. He will guide through dangers all, will not suffer thee to fall; He who safe His people keeps, slumber not and never sleeps. Thy protector is the Lord, shade for thee He will afford; Neither sun nor moon shall shine, God shall guard by day and night. He will ever keep the soul, what would harm He will control; In the home and by the way, He will keep thee day by day. The Psalm 1912 Children in K-4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

The New Testament Reading
John 9:1-41 (page 895)
The Response
Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.
People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Prayer for Illumination
The Sermon - CAN THE BLIND SEE? Rev. Jones
† The Hymn No. 44 (Family Song) - Open My Eyes
OPEN MY EYES
The Benediction
† The Benediction Response
(Tune: “Trinity Hymnal No. 780”

Welcome
Thank you for joining us in worship today! Our hope is that 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
Delight in the opportunity we have to join together in fellowship around God’s Word by returning at 6:00 for Evening Worship. Rev. Jones will preach, "Rejection of the King’s Consolation" from 2 Samuel 10:1-19.

Scripture Memory
As we review the verses from Scripture for sharing the Gospel, this week we focus on John 3:36: "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him."

Other Announcements
Christianity Explored – The seven-week outreach program, Christianity Explored continues this Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. If not previously registered, members should register themselves and their guests through our online registration form on our church website, www.christchurchpres.org. Please continue in prayer for the Lord’s blessing on this ministry.

Youth Gathering – The Youth meet this Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. At a snack supper in Covenant Hall at 6:30 will be followed by a time of activities and music, then teaching and prayer led by Lee Self. All young people in sixth grade and above are encouraged to attend.

Adults Bible Study – The Adults Bible Study meets this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Morgan home, 2910 Maryfair Road in Augusta. All adults are invited for fellowship, food and a faith-strengthening study in the historical book of origins, Genesis.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast – All men of Christ Church are invited to enjoy a homemade breakfast followed by a brief devotional and time of prayer this Friday at 7:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall.

College & Career Sunday School Class Begins – The College & Career Sunday School class begins next Sunday, September 22 and will meet in the Upper Room. Following Morning Worship that day, the group will gather for lunch at the home of Jenny and Don Townsend, 1538 River Island Parkway in Evans. All young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 and without children are encouraged to join this fellowship.

Historic Augusta Tour – Those interested in local history are encouraged to join together for Historic Augusta’s guided tour of Summerville Cemetery on Saturday, October 12 at 4:45 p.m. During this local history stroll, we will meet some of Augusta’s notable “residents” in period dress. This event is open to anyone in Christ Church and reservations are required by September 29 for the group rate of $10 per person. Following the tour, we will gather at Surrey Center’s French Market Grille for dinner. For more information and to make reservations, contact Susan LaFrance, 706-861-9572, or Emily Adams, 706–627–0784.

Pray for Our Missionaries
Remember these missionaries and organizations designated for special prayer in our worship services this week and in your daily prayers this week:
Cheryl Crocker, Mission to the World (PCA)
Karl and Debbie Dortzbach, Mission to the World (PCA)
Evangelical Reformed Seminary of Ukraine, Mission to the World (PCA)
Gleen and Sharlene Grubb, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Mission to the World (PCA)

Please continue to pray for the lives of our missionaries and support our prayer requests for those serving as missionaries and in service at home. Your continued support is vital to the success and effectiveness of their ministry.