

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 & Trumpet Prelude** – Come, Thou Fount..... arr. Foster
Dr. Sarah Moore, piano; Mr. Brian Moore, trumpet

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

- † **The Hymn No. 30 (Family Songs)** – Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know ... HENDON

The Evening Prayer

- † **The Hymn No. 73 (Family Songs)** – Face to FaceFACE TO FACE

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Piano Offertory – And Can It Be arr. Forrest

- † **The Hymn No. 53 (Family Songs)** – O Breath of God..... BREATH OF GOD
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Old Testament Reading 2 Samuel 15:13-37 (*page 267*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Word of God.

People: **Thanks be to Thee, O God!**

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – EXILE: THE TEST OF LOYALTY.....The Rev. Jones

- † **The Hymn No. 102 (Family Songs)** – I Have Decided to Follow JesusASSAM

- † **The Benediction**

The Piano Postlude – Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET

This Week at Christ Church

Week of November 24 – 30

SUNDAY, November 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

College & Career Upper 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

5:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting 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.

THURSDAY, November 28

10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Service Sanctuary

Assisting in the Services

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

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

The Deacon on Duty is Wade Caldwell.

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

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

The Deacon on Duty will be John Norkus.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*; Mrs. Laura Lowe, *Morning Organist*;

Mrs. Becky Saxon, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*; Mr. Mark Dickens, *Evening Organist*;

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

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The Lord's Day Morning Christ Church, Presbyterian

November 24, 2013 – 11:00 a.m.

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

Reliable Faith

Faith is only as reliable and helpful as the trustworthiness of its object; and Christian faith is powerful and effective because the object of faith, Jesus Christ, is infinitely powerful and absolutely dependable. Christian faith never fails, because the One in whom that faith is placed never fails.

–John MacArthur

The Order of Worship

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

To avoid distractions during worship, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

Parents of young children are encouraged to take advantage of the nurseries and Cry Room.

- **The Organ Prelude** – Partita on St. Michael..... Hughes
Mrs. Laura Lowe, organist

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

The Choral Call to WorshipMADRID, arr. Young

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

The Scriptural Call to Worship Isaiah 12:4, 6

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,

People: **Make known His deeds among the people,
Proclaim that His name is exalted.**

Pastor: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,

People: **For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

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

- † **The Hymn No. 98 (Trinity Hymnal)** NUN DANKET
Now Thank We All Our God

† **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 HUNDREDETH

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 The Rev. Jones

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (1 John 2:1-2)

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if any one does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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 53:1-6 (*page 613*)

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 Handel

Thanks be to Thee, Thy holy name be ever blest,

Glory, honor, and praise be Thine!

Thanks be to Thee, Thy holy name be ever blest,

Praise, adoration, we sing unto Thee.

Thy loving kindness doth forever prevail,

Tenderly guiding all those who come unto Thee.

Thanks be to Thee, Thou art the King o'er land and sea.

Praise, adoration, we sing unto Thee.

† **The Hymn No. 116** (*Trinity Hymnal*) – For the Beauty of the Earth DIX

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

The New Testament Reading John 12:36b-50 (*page 899*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon The Rev. Jones

THE PERSISTENT PROBLEM OF UNBELIEF

† **The Hymn No. 504** (*Trinity Hymnal*) BULLINGER

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

† **The Benediction**

† **The Benediction Response** (*sung by all*) – Threefold Amen DANISH

(Trinity Hymnal No. 740)

The Organ Postlude – Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above arr. Bobb

Scripture Memory

We encourage you this week to memorize and meditate on Philippians 3:8-9:

“Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith.”

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

What could be better than closing the Lord's Day in His house with His people gathered around His Word? This evening at 6:00, Pastor Jones preaches the sermon, “Exile: the Test of Loyalty,” from 2 Samuel 15:13-37.

Communion

On Sunday, December 8, we will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during Morning Worship. All communing members of Christ Church are urged to be present.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Julie Burroughs and Joe Dey on the occasion of their marriage on November 3.

Welcome New Members

Receiving new members into the fellowship of Christ Church, Presbyterian is an occasion for encouragement to the entire body. It is with great thanksgiving to God that the Session welcomes into communing membership the following people:

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Hammond (Stathia), 147 Anneswood Rd., Martinez, GA 30907

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Foster (Laci), 1007 Bluebird Rd., Augusta, GA 30904

Mr. and Mrs. Greg McGraw (Nikki), 4376 Lake Idylwilde Dr., Evans, GA 30809

Miss Jacqueline McGraw, 4376 Lake Idylwilde Dr., Evans, GA 30809

Other Announcements

Disaster Relief Assistance – Today holds the opportunity for us as a congregation to support Mission to the World (PCA) in its Global Disaster Response to the devastation caused by Super Typhoon Haiyan in the central islands of the Philippines. If you would like to contribute toward this effort, please do so during either of the worship services today. You may designate your gift by noting "Disaster Relief" on the memo line of your check or on the front of an offering envelope for a cash gift. Gifts may also be made directly to Mission to the World through the website, www.mtw.org/disaster.

Thanksgiving Day Service – Has God given you reason to thank Him in 2013? Have you been blessed with an abundance of good things? Has His faithfulness sustained you through difficult times? Join us on Thursday, November 28, at 10:00 a.m. for a brief service of thanksgiving, prayer and praise. Dr. Oliver will bring the homily, and an offering will be collected during the service toward the support of the Palmer Home for Children.

Christmas Fellowship Dinner – Our monthly fellowship in December will take place on Saturday, December 7, beginning at 6:00 p.m., as we enjoy dinner together in Covenant Hall. All are invited, including children. The deacons will prepare the meat dish, and officer families will provide desserts. Each family is asked to provide a generous side dish of at least 24 servings, ready to serve on a fine quality serving dish. As part of our celebration, we will have a hymn sing, so come prepared to request your favorite Christmas carol. We plan to conclude our fellowship by 8:00 p.m. so that the Fellowship Hall can be readied for the Lord's Day. *Please use the response form inserted in today's bulletin to indicate the number of adults and children who will attend. You may alternately respond via the 'Fellowship Meal Signup' link on the Welcome page of our church website, www.christchurchpres.org.*

Missionary Love Gift – As an encouragement to them during the Christmas season, a cash gift will be sent to the missionaries supported financially by Christ Church. Monies will be collected through December 8 for this purpose. When placing your gift in the offering plate, checks should be made payable to Christ Church with "Missionary Love Gift" noted on the memo line, and cash gifts should be clearly designated for the same purpose.

Poinsettias for the Sanctuary – If you would like to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary during Christmas in honor or 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, December 8. The cost of each plant is \$17. Additional forms may be obtained from the ushers.

Stewardship Report – The Session and Diaconate would like to thank all in the congregation who have given pledges toward the kingdom work of Christ Church, Presbyterian for the fiscal year 2014. If you were unable to attend last week, pledge cards may either be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office. Additional pledge cards are available on the Deacon's tables at the back of the sanctuary.

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:

Missionaries in harm's way are not listed.

AGAPE Ministry, *Augusta, Georgia*

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

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