

Youth Missions Report

We are delighted to see how God worked in the hearts of Will Nabholz and John Self, two of our youth, as He sent them to the mission field this summer. On August 31 at 9:45 a.m., everyone in middle school through the adult Sunday school classes will come together in Covenant Hall to learn through pictures, video and testimony of the wonderful work God accomplished in and through these young missionaries.

Inquirers' Class

A new Inquirers' Class will be held on September 7 and 14 (please note change of dates) from 4:00 until 5:30 p.m. This class, led by Pastor Jones, will examine the identity of Christ Church, Presbyterian as an "Evangelical, Reformed and Presbyterian" congregation, explore the many ministry opportunities available, and explain how to become actively engaged in the body here at Christ Church. This class is for all who are interested in knowing more about Christ Church, Presbyterian and are prayerfully considering membership. Please register your attendance by calling the Church Office, speaking to one of the Officers, or through the Welcome Page on our church web site, www.christchurchpres.org.

Bible Studies to Resume in September

Please make plans to be a part of home Bible studies which will begin to meet again in September.

- A Young Couples Bible Study meets at the home of Ora and Natalie Parish and will begin on September 4, 2014. The study meets on the first and third Thursdays each month.
- A Women's Evening Bible Study meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, alternating between the homes of Martha Folley and Monica Boyd. They will begin meeting on September 11, 2014.
- One Adult Bible Study meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at the home of Ron and Sue Moncrief. They will begin meeting on September 4, 2014.
- The other Adult Bible Study meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the home of Warren and Linda Jones. They will begin meeting on September 16, 2014.

Please check the bulletin for more information on these Bible studies. They are wonderful times of study and fellowship together.

Youth Director Search

God has blessed Christ Church in so many ways, especially our youth. The Session believes that our youth are a valuable, God-given asset which could be further enhanced by the addition of a youth director who would work to better equip them with the Gospel of Christ. Would you join the Session and add this matter to your personal prayer lists as we seek God's will?

This Week at Christ Church

Week of August 24 - August 30

SUNDAY, August 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 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

Young Adults Upper Room

Adult Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Sanctuary

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

5:00 p.m. Sunday Prayer Meeting Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship: 10-Year Celebration Sanctuary

On the fourth hymn, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

7:00 p.m. 10-Year Celebration Reception Covenant Hall

WEDNESDAY, August 27

6:30 p.m. Youth Gathering Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. Brass Ensemble Rehearsal Sanctuary

Saturday, August 30

7:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast Covenant Hall



Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, August 24, 2014

The Answer upon which Everything Hinges

This is no mere question of controversy; this is not one of those points on which men may agree to differ, and feel that differences will not shut them out of heaven. A man must be right on this subject, or he is lost forever. Heaven or hell, happiness or misery, life or death, blessing or cursing in the last day—all hinges on the answer to this question: "What do you think of the cross of Christ?"

— J. C. Ryle

The Morning Service, eleven o'clock

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

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

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

- The Trumpet & Organ Prelude - Crown Himarr. Elvey
Fabio Mann, trumpet

The Choral Call to WorshipKIRKEN DEN ER ET

Built on the Rock the Church Doth Stand

Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High is not dwelling;

High in the heavens His temple stands, all earthly temples excelling.

Yet He who dwells in Heaven above deigns to abide with us in love,

Making our bodies His temple.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Hebrews 10:19-22

- † The Hymn No. 455 (Trinity Hymnal)SAGINA
And Can It Be That I Should Gain

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

Assisting in the Services

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

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

The Deacon on Duty is Charles Kimbrell.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Glynn Dyer & Charles McClure.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lamier Adams, Richard Deal, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty will be John Norkus.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, Pastor

Dr. Mark Nabholz, Director of Music; Mr. Mark Dickens, Organist

Mrs. Shirley McBride, Secretary/Bookkeeper

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

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† **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

The Old Testament Reading.....Psalm 22:1-31 (*page 457*)

The Response.....Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to Thee, O God.

The Corporate Confession of Sin (*unison*)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

we have sinned against You and against our fellow men,

in thought and word and deed,

in the evil we have done

and in the good we have not done,

through ignorance, through weakness,

through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who died for us,

forgive us all that is past;

and grant that we may serve You in newness of life

to the glory of Your name. Amen.

The Personal Confession of Sin (*silently*)

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (Romans 8:31-34)

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

He Who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not

also with Him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against

God's elect? It is God Who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the

One Who died—more than that, Who was raised—Who is at the right hand of

God, Who indeed is interceding for us.

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

The Lord's Prayer (*using debts and debtors*)

The Prayer Response (*sung by all*) NEAR THE CROSS

Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain,

Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever,

Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem – Lift High the Crossarr. Schalk, CRUCIFER

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,

Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,

Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,

The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified

Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,

As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.

Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell

Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.

So shall our song of triumph ever be:

Praise to the Crucified for victory!

† **The Hymn No. 3** (*Family Songs*)RATHBUN

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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

The New Testament Reading.....John 19:16b-37 (*page 905*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – THE CROSS The Rev. Jones

† **The Hymn No. 32** (*Family Songs*)O TO SEE THE DAWN

The Power of the Cross

† **The Benediction**

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



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim,



till all the world a - dore His sa - cred Name.

The Organ Postlude – La Rejouissance Telemann

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today. It is our strong desire that, as prayers are raised, hymns and anthems are sung, and God's Word is proclaimed, our worship will redound to the glory of God and result in the gladness of His people. Indeed, we pray that you will personally be blessed by the corporate worship of the Triune God and return to worship with us again soon. If you would like to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member, or, most importantly, how to have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, please talk with an elder standing by the piano following the service.

Evening Service: 10-Year Anniversary Celebration

You will not want to miss this evening's service as we commemorate our 10-Year Anniversary as a church. Our evening service will feature hymns sung in some of our first services, and will allow us to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and commitment to our Lord for His gracious provision throughout the past decade, even as we look to Him for His rich blessings for the future. To conclude this worship celebration, a light reception will follow in Covenant Hall for a time of fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ, as well as to reminisce on God's blessings through a visual presentation.

Scripture Memory

The ultimate goal of our redemption is that we might be conformed to the image of God's dear Son. Hiding God's Word in our hearts is a vital means to that end. This week we review and meditate on Philippians 2:3-4, "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (Navigator Series: "Grow in Christlikeness"). May God grant in our lives that which He commands in His Word!

Other Announcements

Children's Choir – The Children's Choir will not meet this evening due to the 10-Year Celebration service. Enjoy our celebration and make plans to return on August 31.

Youth Gathering – The Youth will meet this Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Snack supper and fellowship will begin at 6:30, followed by a time of singing, praying and teaching. Come fellowship and grow with us this Wednesday night.

Bread Breakers – The Bread Breakers will resume in September and October. Look for more information in the coming weeks.

Heritage Academy – Would you be interested in volunteering or substitute teaching? We will hold an informational meeting on Thursday, August 28, at 10 a.m. Please prayerfully consider joining us for information on ways you can serve, how we keep children safe and to tour our beautiful facility. Contact Beth Westergreen for more information at (706) 821-0034.

Men's Prayer Breakfast – Prayer is absolutely critical for the life of faith and the life of the church. Men of Christ Church, join us in seeking the face and favor of our great God for ourselves, our families, our church, our nation and the world. We begin this Saturday at 7:45 a.m. in Covenant Hall with food and fellowship followed by a time of devotion and prayer. Hungry to see God move? Join us this Saturday, as we lay hold of the throne of grace.

Officer Training – Officer Training will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. on the following days: September 14, October 5 and 12.

Good News Club – Christ Church has the tremendous opportunity and privilege to share Christ with the children of River Ridge Elementary. Please make the most of this blessing by volunteering in one of the following areas: a coordinator for the club, a teacher for the weekly Bible lesson and helpers with the children. Also pray that God's will is accomplished and that He will provide all that we need. For further information, please call Jane Bowen at (706) 738-1816. Matthew 19:14, "But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.'"

Lake Availability and Missing Keys – The Central Christian Lake Campground will be available on Labor Day, September 1, should anyone wish to enjoy a day at the lake one last time this year. Also, we don't have our lake keys! If you have led an outing to the lake anytime this year, would you please check your pockets for the keys? If you locate them, please return them to the Church Office – no questions asked.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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

Eliseo and Paula Guadagno, *Operation Mobilization, Italy*

Heritage Academy, *Augusta, Georgia*

Tim and Lana Higginbotham, *NAIM, Vancouver, Canada*

Kermit and Cheryl Horn, *World Team, France*