

The Evening Service, six o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Ephesians 2:22

- The Piano Prelude – What Wondrous Love Is This Walker; arr. Bober
Mrs. Sue Moncrief, *piano*

The Opening ScriptureThe Rev. J. Josiah Jones

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

The Anthem Zulu Traditional Hymn, arr. Hopson

We are singing, for the Lord is our light; we are singing for the Lord is our light!
The Lord is the strength of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid!
Though foes may be near to destroy, the Lord will be our light.
We are singing, for the Lord is our light; we are singing, for the Lord is our light!
When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone.
Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock.
We are singing, for the Lord is our light; we are singing, for the Lord is our light!
Augusta Youth Chorale

† The Invocation

† The Hymn No. 27 (Family Songs) – He Hideth My Soul.....KIRKPATRICK

The Evening PrayerThe Rev. Jones

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

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

The Offertory Anthem.....American Folk Hymn, arr. Rutter

I'm goin' to lay down my heavy load, down by the riverside,
I ain't gonna study war no more.
I'm goin' to lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside,
And I ain't gonna study war no more.
I'm goin' to put on my trav'lin' shoes, down by the riverside,
And I ain't gonna study war no more.
I'm goin' to put on my long white robe, down by the riverside,
And I ain't gonna study war no more.
I'm goin' to put on my starry crown, down by the riverside,
I ain't gonna study war no more!
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† The Hymn No. 29 (Family Songs) – When Trials Come..... ENDURING LOVE
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The Old Testament Lesson Psalm 63:1–11 (page 479)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – LIFE IN THE WILDERNESS The Rev. Jones

† The Hymn No. 60 (Family Songs) – All That Thrills My Soul Is JesusHARRIS

† The Benediction

The Piano Postlude – O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus! ... Williams, arr. Bober

This Week at Christ Church

Week of November 9 – November 15

SUNDAY, November 9

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 1–2 Children's House

Grades 3–4 Children's House

Grades 5–6 Youth House

Grades 7–8 Youth House

Grades 9–12 Youth House

Special Education..... Deacons' Room

Young Adults..... Upper Room

Young Families Church Office

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. Sunday 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.

MONDAY, November 10

7:00 p.m. Trail Life..... Covenant Hall

TUESDAY, November 11

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting Church Office

WEDNESDAY, November 12

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. Brass Ensemble Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

THURSDAY, November 13

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study..... Boyd Home

FRIDAY, November 14

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

Assisting in the Services

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

Ushers are Lanier Adams, Richard Deal, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty is Barry Smith.

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

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Will Boyd, Will Creus, Mark Goodell, William Jewett & Barry Smith.

The Deacon on Duty will be Charles Kimbrell.

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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Christ Church, Presbyterian The Lord's Day, November 9, 2014

Where Grace Giving Must Begin

When all one has is given to God, giving to others becomes the natural reflex of the soul.... This is where grace giving must begin—giving ourselves completely to God. Grace giving cannot exist without this (Romans 12:1).

– R. Kent Hughes

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 Organ Prelude – Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor Wood

The Choral Call to Worship Dykes

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, mysterious Godhead, Three-in-One!

Before Thy throne we sinners bend; grace, pardon, life, to us extend.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Psalm 67:1–3

Pastor: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make His face to shine upon us,

People: That Your way may be known on earth,
Your saving power among the nations.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

People: Let all the peoples praise You!

- † The Hymn of Praise (Trinity Hymnal, No. 301) DARWALL

Join All the Glorious Names

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

† 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 LessonExodus 25:1-2; 36:2-7 (*pages 65 & 76*)

The Response.....Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,
People: But the word of our God stands forever.

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, Who are rich in mercy to all those who call upon You, hear us as we come to You humbly confessing our sins and imploring Your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and by our words and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward You and toward fellow men. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. And of Your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Individual Confession of Sin (*silently*)

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Ephesians 2:4-5

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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

The Prayer Response (*sung by all*)HAMBURG/SURRENDER

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
I surrender all; I surrender all.
All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

The Stewardship Moment

The Offering and the Offertory

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

The Offertory Anthem.....arr. Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercies' sake, in paths of truth and grace.
When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.
The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode, and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home. (Psalm 23)

† **The Hymn of Preparation** (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 230*)..... QUELLE EST CETTE

Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor

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

The Epistle Lesson2 Corinthians 8:1-15 (*page 967*)

The Response

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

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon The Rev. Jones

THE GRACE OF CHRISTIAN GIVING, PART 1

† **The Hymn of Commitment** (*Trinity Hymnal, No. 252*).....HAMBURG

When I Survey the Wondrous 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 - Our God, Our Help in Ages Past.....Callahan

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

All of us go through difficult times. Relational, economic, and/or spiritual hardships are part of the Christian life. We experience life in the wilderness, as it were. Why? What is God doing in these times? How should we respond? We consider these crucial questions tonight, as we explore David's own response while in the wilderness, recorded in Psalm 63. Regardless of circumstances, let us join together in worship this evening, saying with David, "O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You" (Psalm 63:1-3). We look forward to the Augusta Youth Chorale, directed by our own Mark Nabholz, joining us in worship this evening.

Scripture Memory

In addition to spending time daily in personal devotion and study, one of the best ways to go deeper into God's Word is by committing it to memory and meditating upon it throughout the day. Let us together go deeper in God's Word, memorizing this week John 15:7, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you" (Series A: Live the New Life; Topic: Prayer).

Officer Elections

The election of officers to the Session class of 2015 will be held in a congregational meeting following Morning Worship on Sunday, December 7. Elder candidates are Billy Hatcher and Ora Parish. Biographical information on each of these candidates will be mailed to member homes.

Other Announcements

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.

Womens' Evening Bible Study - Ladies, you are invited to join us for a special time of fellowship and study of God's Word this Thursday, November 13, at 6:45 p.m. We will meet this week in the home of Monica Boyd located at 9 Summerville Lane in Augusta. Please call Monica with any questions at 706-736-0004.

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 this Friday as we together seek the face and favor of our great God for ourselves, our families, our church and the world. We begin at 7:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall with food and fellowship followed by a time of devotion and prayer.

Stewardship Sunday - At the conclusion of Morning Worship on Sunday, November 16, we will have the opportunity to lay before the Lord our financial commitments to the work of Christ Church. A letter has been sent to member households that included a pledge card. Your financial pledge assists the Session and Diaconate in planning the church ministry budget for the upcoming year. Please prayerfully consider what the Lord would have you give in support of His work through Christ Church.

Operation Christmas Child - In the mountains of Honduras a project leader organized a team to deliver shoe box gifts to El Picacho, a village of 1,500 people that is a four-hour hike from the nearest road. This was an exhausting task that required them to hoist cartons of gifts on their shoulders as they climbed the rocky, terraced path. It was an exciting day when 275 children gathered to receive their gifts—the first many of them had ever received. Flashlights were especially popular, because El Picacho has no electricity. One community leader was so moved by the gifts and the Gospel message that he offered a large tract of his own land to build the first church in El Picacho. Now in addition to the new church, they plan to build an orphanage and a clinic. As word spread of what the Lord was doing in El Picacho, other communities have asked the project leader to come share the Gospel and help them plant churches. Now the Gospel is moving in seven different communities, and it all started with 275 shoe boxes! It's not too late to be a part of this great project. Fill a shoe box this week, and return it by next Sunday. You will be helping children around the world celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Ann Fliermans (706-738-8259).

Thanksgiving Day Service - Has God given you reason to thank Him in 2014? Have you been blessed with an abundance of good things? Has His faithfulness sustained you through difficult times? Join us on Thursday, November 27, at 10:00 a.m. for a special 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.

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:

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*
Child Evangelism Fellowship, *Augusta, Georgia*