



CHRIST CHURCH
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Christ the King Sunday

November 21, 2021

WELCOME *to* CHRIST CHURCH

Thanks for joining us for worship this morning! We gather each week because we believe Jesus Christ is the one true hope for our tired and broken world. So, wherever your walk is with God, we are glad you are here to be part of our celebration of God's generosity to us in Jesus.

Christ Church is an inter-generational congregation rooted in our common faith in Christ and commitment to serving His kingdom. These commitments propel us into the future as we continue our congregation's thirty-year tradition of joyful and reverent worship, dedication to spiritual growth, and passion for advancing the Gospel in Jacksonville and around the world.

If you have any questions about Christ Church, please don't hesitate to ask an usher, a friendly face in the lobby, or seek out one of our pastors.

KIDS *during* WORSHIP

This Sunday we celebrate Holy Communion. Children, ages 3-1st grade, are dismissed before the Scripture readings and return during the offering to join us for our celebration of the Lord's Supper. While many of our kids are not prepared to share in the Lord's Table, we believe there is great value to including them in this celebratory feast. This tangible expression of God's grace in Jesus Christ often provokes great discussions for families with even the youngest of children. Additionally, the elders serving the meal pray for all non-communing children.

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

November 21 (Noon)	Youth Small Group Lunches
November 28	NO School of Discipleship Classes
November 28 (10.30a)	Worship Service (Advent Begins)
November 28	NO Youth Group
December 5 (9.30a)	School of Discipleship
December 5 (10.30a)	Worship Service
December 5 (5.30p)	Youth Small Groups
December 12	NO School of Discipleship

ADULT SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

Adult lessons are recorded weekly and can be found on the church website. There will be NO School of Discipleship classes on November 28th and our final School of Discipleship class of the year will be December 5.

SEAMARK WHITE CHRISTMAS

Let's bring a White Christmas to Seamark Ranch! We will collect donations in the Narthex now through Christmas Eve. To help Seamark Ranch prepare for the year ahead, please consider donating items from their wish list: paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, strong paper plates, kitchen trash bags, outdoor trash bags, ziplock storage bags, laundry detergent, & dishwasher detergent.

TREASURER'S NOTE

During 2021, we have collected funds to offset our mortgage and pay down the principal on the loan for the building renovation. We've had a great year, collecting \$140,160 towards our pledged goal of \$204,000. With 2021 drawing to a close, we wanted to provide a gentle reminder to those who pledged and a general invitation to our entire congregation to participate in this important endeavor.

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

Along with Communion, we will have a special Deacons' Fund offering. If you would like to participate, please designate a check for the Deacons' Fund and place it in the offering plate during the service or in the Narthex. Please place cash donations to the Deacons' Fund in a labeled envelope.

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————— ENTER *the* PRESENCE *of* GOD —————

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chuck Colson

Please take a moment to prepare your heart for worship, and silence all mobile devices.

⊕ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,

a great king over all the earth!

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet! Sing praises to God, sing praises!

Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

INVOCATION

HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Words: Bridges | Music: Elvey

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne:
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wondering eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life: who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, one with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.
To thee be endless praise, for thou for us hast died;
Be thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Prior to the corporate prayer, we take a moment to confess our sins in silence.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

Words: Francis | Music: Williams

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward,
To thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread his praise from shore to shore;
How he loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore;
How he watches o'er his loved ones,
Died to call them all his own;
How for them he intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to thee.

HYMN

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Words: Hart | Music: Rousseau

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Chorus

I will arise and go to Jesus,
He will embrace me in his arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requireth
Is to feel your need of him.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

And, in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our LORD, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**The "holy catholic Church" refers to the entire company of God's redeemed people throughout the world and across the centuries.*

Children, ages 3-1st grade, are dismissed for Children's Chapel. Children exit the sanctuary through the main rear doors. They will return for the Offering.

HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 46

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- ⁵ God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
- ⁶ The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
- ¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"
- ¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

After the Psalm, we respond:

All men are like grass and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.
The grass withers and the flowers fall,

but the word of our God stands forever!

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 16.25-27

²⁵ Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages ²⁶ but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— ²⁷ to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Only Wise God
Chuck Colson

RESPOND *to* GOD

INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

After our congregational supplications, we say the prayer our Savior has taught us.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Tithes & Offerings may be deposited after the service in the offering box outside the sanctuary doors. Alternately, gifts can be made online at www.christchurchpresjax.org or mailed to the church office.

OFFERTORY

For All that You have Made
Words: Colson & Zipf | Music: Zipf

*When the world was made,
You spoke and tamed the deep,
Calming raging seas,
You rested, you were pleased.
Your works, in you, rejoiced;
Your bounty filled the land.
You walked among us;
You were the light of man.*

Chorus

*How majestic is your name, Lord!
Your works proclaim
your grace and mercy!
How majestic is your name, Lord!
The heavens declare your glory!*

*But we turned from you
Chose our foolish pride,
Trying to be God,
We embraced the lie.
Sweat upon our brow
We sow and reap in grief.
Our days are numbered now
Given to vanity.*

*For all that you have made,
You sent your only Son,
Who came to bear the curse
That it might be undone.
Though it sighs in pain,
The world awaits the day
When it will be set free
From bondage and decay.*

⊕ DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son;
And praise the Spirit three in one!
O Praise him, O Praise him;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.**

CELEBRATE *the* LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THANKSGIVING & PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might! Heaven and earth are full of Your glory! Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Then, the pastor continues in prayer by giving thanks to God for our salvation in Jesus Christ and sets apart the bread and wine for the meal.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the outer aisles. When the usher invites you, step up to the communion rail to receive the bread and cup. You will then return to your seat down the center aisle.

All baptized Christians, who are seeking to walk in repentance and faith, are welcome to join us at the table. Children, who are not communing members of the church, are invited to come forward with their families for prayer.

HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God
Words: Rinkart & Winkworth | Music: Cruger

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son and Holy Ghost,
Supreme in highest heaven—
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Words: Watts | Music: Mason

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

HYMN

Steadfast
Words & Music: McCracken

I will build my house whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope in your love, O Lord
And your faithfulness will prove
You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word you spoke all the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In your watchful care I will rest secure
As you lead us with your light
You are steadfast, steadfast

I will not trust in the strength of kings
On your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb!
You are steadfast, steadfast

In the moment of emptiness
All was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness
Your light was revealed
In the presence of death
Your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness,
You are still God

⊕ HYMN

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Words & Music: McCracken

Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

He has done great things; we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire.

He is the Lord our God.

We are not consumed, by the flood.

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn,

My soul, be not afraid.

For the promised morning, O how long?

O God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed

You are the faithful one

And from the garden to the grave

Bind us together bring shalom

DEPART *in* PEACE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

LOCAL

Aldo Mondin graduated from the University of North Florida in 2015 and attended Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, earning a degree in biblical studies and theology. He and his wife, Abby, were involved in RUF in college and have loved it ever since. In 2019 he joined the staff of RUF at UNF and became the campus minister at the University of South Florida in 2021. His passion is to help students realize their hope in Jesus Christ.

INTERNATIONAL

Gethsemane Garden Christian Centre (GGCC) is a Christian boarding school for HIV/AIDS orphans in Kenya, founded by Naphtaly and Nerea Mattah in 2003. Nerea continues the legacy left behind by her husband with a desire to rescue orphans and vulnerable children, provide them with hope, and equip them with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to empower them to impact Kenya and the world for His Kingdom. The school currently serves over 725 students.

ITEMS *for* PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS: Barb Day (*cancer*); Louis Fassnacht; Sue Forsyth (*back*); Elizabeth Garnett (*cancer*); Gar Gurganious (*cancer*); Hector (*dementia*) & V'Elna Harima; Wayne Noble; Sandy Reynolds; Jewell Smith (*back*)

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