

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 with a name tag in the lobby, or seek out one of our pastors.

KIDS *during* WORSHIP

During our service, we encourage parents of young children to keep their kids in worship as long as they like. We also provide age-appropriate care and instruction for kids. Parents with children 2-years old or younger may drop-off their children in the Nursery (0-Walking) or the Toddler Room (Walking-2) where a team of trained child-care professionals and volunteers await them. Children, ages 3-1st grade, are dismissed for Children's Chapel after we recite the Apostles' Creed. They break into two groups to study God's Word. All children above nursery age return to the sanctuary for the offering so that we close our worship with the family of God together.

CONNECT *at* CHRIST CHURCH

Through Jesus, God saves us by grace through faith alone. That said, God does not save us to be alone! Rather, he welcomes us into his family, bringing us into relationship with one another. Within this family, Jesus challenges and transforms us as we love one another, share life together, and serve the world around us. At Christ Church, we desire to develop these types of relationships in our Congregational Communities (CC's). While our CC's are not strictly defined by age, they generally reflect the stages of our intergenerational community. Please join us at 9.30 am on Sundays to participate!

EMMAUS: Young Adults and Young Families

Location: Big Room Upstairs

SOJOURNERS: High School Families and Empty Nesters

Location: Room 1

CORNERSTONE: Empty Nesters and Retirees

Location: Room 2.

ITEMS *for* PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS: Norma Hughes; Beverly Quine; Branson Bishop; Corky Rogers; Hector Harima, Karen Ferguson

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

November 25

November 27 (9.30a)

November 28 (7p)

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December 1 (9.30a)

December 2 (9.30a)

December 2 (10.30a)

December 3 (6.30p)

NO High Life

Tuesday Women's Bible Study

High School Fellowship

Advent Choir Rehearsal

Quarterly Leadership Team Meeting

Joint CC: Stewardship Sunday

Worship Service

Officers' Meeting

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

On Sunday, December 2, 2018 we will have a joint Congregational Community meeting at 9.30a to review the year behind us, present the 2019 budget, and answer any questions. Please join us!

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES

We will be collecting 2019 annual stewardship pledges on Sunday, December 2, 2018 during the offering. Please prayerfully consider your giving for the year ahead and fill out a stewardship pledge card to indicate your intentions.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGES

We will also be collecting 2019 and 2020 Capital Campaign pledges on Sunday, December 2, 2018 during the offering. Please prayerfully consider your giving toward this for 2019 and 2020 and complete a Capital Campaign pledge card to indicate your intentions. These have been mailed out and are also available on the welcome desk in the Narthex.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

ORDER of WORSHIP

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity, 10.30am

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 113

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

Blessed be the name of the LORD!

The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

From the rising of the sun to its setting!

The name of the LORD is to be praised!

INVOCATION

HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

Wesley

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Be gracious to us and deliver us, O Lord, for we have broken your law. We've failed to love you alone, serving two masters in our hearts. Pardon our guilt, for it is great. Through the blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, cleanse us of our sins and remember them no more that we may rise to serve you in newness of life for the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMNS

By Thy Mercy

Mejas

There Is a Redeemer

Green

GREETING GOD'S PEOPLE

The peace of the LORD be always with you!

And also with you!

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.*

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⊕ *Indicates that the congregation stands.*

join their family for the collection of the offering.

HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 115

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!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Joshua 23.1-14; 24.13-28

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Cling to the Lord Your God

John Lawler

RESPOND *to* GOD

⊕ HYMN

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Havergal

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

OFFERTORY

Now Thank We All Our God

Cruger

Then, after the offering, we thank God for his gifts by singing the Doxology.

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**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.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

DEPART *in* PEACE

HYMN

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Peace

BENEDICTION

NOTES

MISSIONARY *of the* WEEK

Paul Devakumar founded India for Christ Ministries (IFCM) in June 1988, planting his first church in 1993. He is currently the Executive Director of IFCM, which seeks to preach the good news of Jesus Christ in every village in India. IFCM is actively involved in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting in more than 300 villages in 14 states of India.