

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 3-6, 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: Beverly Quine; Norma Hughes; Branson Bishop; Corky Rogers

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

January 28 (6-8p)
January 30 (9.30a)
January 31 (4.30p)
January 31 (7p)
February 1 (6.30a)
February 4 (9.30a)
February 4 (10.30a)
February 10 (7a)

HighLife Bonfire
Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study
Wednesday Afternoon Women's Bible Study
Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study
RightWise
Congregational Communities
Worship
Galatians 6.2 Service Day & Training

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

The 2018 *Be Still* retreat for Middle and High School students is February 17-19. We are heading to the Point Pleasant retreat center just outside of Savannah, GA for a weekend of worship, fellowship, and fun. Sign up by February 7 online for only \$50! For more info, contact Alec Cotton.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

This is the moment we've all been waiting for! Church Directories are available on the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. For an electronic copy, contact Charlotte Reeves.

AWAKENING WOMEN'S RETREAT

All women are invited to join us, on March 10, from 9a-3p, at the Ponte Vedra Lodge for the Christ Church women's retreat. This year's speaker is Vanessa Hawkins, Women's Ministry Director at First Presbyterian Church, Augusta. Sign up online!

GALATIANS 6.2 ORIENTATION

Many have asked about involvement in the Galatians 6.2 Service Ministry. So we are offering another orientation opportunity for those who would like to be involved. The training will take place on the next service day, February 10, at 7a in Room 2 (Cornerstone CC room).

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CHRIST CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Third Sunday after Epiphany, 10.30am

ENTER *the* PRESENCE *of* GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Lawler

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

⊕ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95

Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving!

Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the sheep of his pasture!

INVOCATION

HYMN

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDETH

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Almighty God, you know our folly; the wrongs we have done are not hidden from you. Like lost sheep, we've strayed from your commandments, following the devices and desires of our own hearts. We've done those things we ought not to have done and not done those things we ought to have done. For the sake of your Son, deliver us from our sins and teach us to walk in your ways to the glory of you name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

Jesus, I Come

Thompson

— CELEBRATE *the* COVENANT *of* BAPTISM —

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Chuck Colson

VOWS OF THE COVENANT

⊕ 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

⊕ Indicates that the congregation stands.

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.*

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

BAPTISM OF ELLA JO COLLINS

ENCOURAGEMENT TO PARENTS

⊕ HYMN

Savior, In Your Promise

Colson

GREETING GOD'S PEOPLE

The peace of the LORD be always with you!

And also with you!

Children, ages 3-6, are dismissed for Children's Chapel. Pre-K children exit the sanctuary through the rear side door while K-1st graders exit through back main doors. They will return for the offering.

HEAR *the* WORD *of* GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 28

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

2 Chronicles 26.1-23

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Till He Was Strong

Chuck Colson

RESPOND *to* GOD

⊕ HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

David Ristau

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

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



**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

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

LANDAS

BENEDICTION

NOTES

MISSIONARY *of the* WEEK

Gethsemane Garden Christian Centre (GGCC) is a Christian boarding school for HIV/AIDS orphans in Kenya, founded by Naphtaly and Nerea Mattah. Their desire is to rescue orphans and vulnerable children, provide them with hope, and to 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.