## 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 childcare 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: Beverly Quine; Branson Bishop; Gar Gurganious; Hector Harima; Jay Kirk

ON DEPLOYMENT: Chris Manchigiah (Mollie)

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

April 28 (5p) High Life

May 1 (7p) High School Fellowship May 5 (10.30a) Worship Service May 5 (5p) High Life

#### NEW MOVE-OUT DATE

Due to our architect and contractor schedule, we plan to begin renovations on May 20, 2019. Therefore, our last Sunday in the building will NOW be May 19, 2019. Our first Suday in the Ramada will be May 26, 2019. Stay tuned for more information.

#### DONATIONS FOR KENYA MISSION TRIP

Our Kenya Missions Team is asking for your help as we prepare for our trip to Gethsemane Garden Christian Centre (GGCC) in May. We will be collecting toothbrushes for the children and also used eyeglasses. There will be a collection box for these items in the Narthex. In addition, we are collecting money to purchase much needed clothing for the 715 students at the school. Make checks payable to Christ Church and designate them "GGCC Missions trip/Jax team". Please contact Roger Bosma with any questions.



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### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

# ORDER of WORSHIP

First Sunday after Easter, 10.30am

## ENTER the PRESENCE of GOD

PRELUDE

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Lawler After the

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone! This is the Lord's doing;

It is marvelous in our eyes!

This is the day that the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

INVOCATION

HYMN Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Bateman

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 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

HYMNS

 $Before\ the\ Throne\ of\ God\ Above$ 

Cook

Christ is Risen

Maher

#### 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.

Indicates that the congregation stands.

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## HEAR the WORD of GOD

#### PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 27

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!

#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

John 20.19-31

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

What the Apostles Saw

Kevin Bigelow

### RESPOND to GOD

HYMN

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Stead

#### INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER Carl Ashauer

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

HYMN

BENEDICTION

Holy Spirit, Come

Kimbrough

 $Then, after the offering, we thank {\it God for his gifts by singing the Doxology}.$ 

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

Wake Up, O Sleeper Zipf/Colson

## 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.

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