

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

ON DEPLOYMENT: Brandon Colvin (Desiree); Matthew Heathman (Leah)

HEALTH CONCERNS: Norma Hughes; Beverly Quine; Branson Bishop; Corky Rogers; Elizabeth Garnett; Hector Harima

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

May 14 (6.30p)
May 17 (6.30a)
May 20 (9.30a)
May 20 (10.30a)

Officers' Meeting
RightWise
Congregational Communities
Communion Service

VBS REGISTRATION OPEN

VBS is right around the corner (June 18-22) and registration is now open (children rising VPK-rising 5th grade)! This will be a unique week for our children to discover and learn about God's amazing grace. Please sign up on Christ Church Connect or on the church website. We look forward to a fun week together!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY SUMMER PREVIEW

All ladies are invited to our Women's Summer Preview and Salad Potluck on May 31, 6.30-8.30pm, at Rachel Ringhaver's home. Bring your favorite salad to share and hear about the activities for women this summer. A special testimony of God's faithfulness in the life of one of our women will also be shared.

YOUTH BACKYARD MISSION TRIP

Save the date! This years Backyard Mission Trip will be July 23-26 right here at Christ Church. The week will be full of hard work and fun as we seek to serve our ministry partners in our city. More info will be out soon.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Joins us as we partner with First Coast Women's Services to help provide for the needs of young women and teens with unplanned pregnancies. Pick up a baby bottle in the narthex, fill it with bills, coins, and/or checks, and bring it back to the church by June 3.

TREASURER'S UPDATE

APRIL	YEAR -TO-DATE	CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
Budget: \$56,250	Budget: \$225,000	Proceeds: \$650,000
Actual: \$56,588	Actual: \$243,399	Raised: \$583,565
Diff: +.6%	Diff: +8.2%	Interest: \$9,388
		Total: \$1,242,953

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 13

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Ascension Sunday, 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

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud shouts 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

DIADEMATA

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Heavenly Father, our great King, the wrongs we have done cannot be hidden from your sight. In thought, word, and deed, we've failed to walk in your ways, doing those things we ought not to have done and not doing those things we ought to have done. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive us and enlarge our hearts that we may run in the way of your commandments to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMNS

God Be Merciful to Me

Miner

And Can It Be

SAGINA

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.

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 103

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

2 Corinthians 1.3-7

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

God of All Comfort

John Lawler

RESPOND *to* GOD

⊕ HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jon Groh

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.

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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

Christ Our King

Colson

BENEDICTION

MISSIONARY *of the* WEEK

City Rescue Mission (CRM) exists to transform the lives of the homeless and needy in Jacksonville, serving them through the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. CRM accomplishes this mission by providing multiple programs including addiction recovery, emergency services, meals, job training, and resourcing.