



CHRIST CHURCH  
— PCA —  
MANDARIN

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

*Fifth Sunday after Easter*

*May 26, 2019*

# 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 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.

# CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

May 26 (10.30a)	First Worship Service at the Ramada
May 26 (5p)	High Life End of Year Party
May 27	Memorial Day - Church Office Closed
June 2 (10.30a)	Worship Service at the Ramada
June 3	Kenya Mission Team Returns
June 4 (9.30a)	Women's Summer Psalms and Prayer

## WORSHIP AT THE RAMADA

Sunday worship services at the Ramada will begin at 10.30a, as usual, but for the first few weeks, please arrive by 10.15a to get acquainted with the new space and to allow us to guide you through our new children's check-in procedures, nursery rooms, etc.

## WOMEN'S SUMMER PSALMS AND PRAYER

Christ Church women, join us this summer to memorize a psalm and pray together. We will meet each Tuesday in June from 9.30-11.30a at Lindsey Ragland's Home (4329 Rosewood Ave, Jacksonville, 32207) Childcare will be available.

## FCWS BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Join us as we partner with First Coast Women's Services to help meet the needs of young women with unplanned pregnancies. Pick up a baby bottle in the back of the sanctuary, fill it with coins, bills, and/or checks, and bring it back by June 16.

# ORDER *of* WORSHIP

————— 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 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!**

The LORD is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## INVOCATION

## HYMN

## *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

Christ the Lord is risen today; Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!  
Sing ye heavens, and earth reply; Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!  
Christ hath burst the gates of hell; Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids His rise; Alleluia!  
Christ hath opened paradise; Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once He all doth save; Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led; Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies; Alleluia!

*Words & Music: Charles Wesley*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**Heavenly Father, nothing is hidden from your sight; we cannot cover our sins or conceal our faults from you. We've failed to keep in step with your Spirit, not loving you and our neighbor as we ought. 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 walk in a manner worthy of your calling through the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### HYMN

*By Thy Mercy*



Jesus, Lord of life and glory, Bend from Heaven Thy gracious ear,  
While our waiting souls adore Thee, Friend of helpless sinners hear:

#### *Chorus*

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord  
By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord

From the depth of nature's blindness, From the hardening power of sin,  
From all malice and unkindness, From the pride that lurks within:

When the world around is smiling, In the time of wealth and ease,  
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, In the day of health and peace:

In the solemn hour of dying, In the awful judgment day,  
May our souls on Thee relying, Find Thee still our Rock and Stay:

*Words: James Cummins & Music: Greg Thompson*

## HYMN

*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name!  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder; He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,  
Called us by His grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down!  
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown:  
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,  
He who washed us with His blood, soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy's store;  
When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more:  
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,  
He who washed us with His blood, has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus, of the saints enthroned on high;  
Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky:  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood; Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou art worthy Lamb of God!

*Words & Music: John Newton*

## 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.*

*Children, ages 3-1st grade, are dismissed for Children's Chapel. They will return to the sanctuary to join their family for the collection of the offering.*



# HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

## PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 34

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together! I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good? Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it. The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken. Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

*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

1 Peter 1.13-2.3

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

*After the lesson, we respond:*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*During Exile*  
Chuck Colson

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## RESPOND *to* GOD

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### ⊕ HYMN

*In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.  
‘Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on Him was laid—here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine—bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.

*Words & Music: Keith Getty*

## 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

*The Power of the Cross*

*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;  
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.**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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## DEPART *in* PEACE

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### HYMN

*How Firm a Foundation*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed;  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of grief shall not thee overflow;  
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee in thy deepest distress.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

*Words & Music: John Rippon*

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