



CHRIST CHURCH
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

August 16, 2020

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.

GUIDELINES *for* WORSHIP

With the spread of disease around our country, it is important for us, as a church, to be responsive to the circumstances. While we have aggressively implemented social distancing protocols and cleaning regimens, we cannot guarantee a non-compromised environment. All common areas of the church building must be used at one's own risk. Please follow these guidelines:

- In keeping with our mayor's order, face masks are required of all attendees over six years of age. If you do not have a mask, or perhaps forget to bring one, we have face coverings available in the Narthex.
- Please allow for six feet of distance between you and others not in your immediate family unit. Additionally, please refrain from physical greetings and congregating in the aisles and Narthex.
- We will not pass offering plates to collect our tithes and offerings. Rather, after the service, gifts can be deposited in the box labeled *Tithes & Offerings* located just outside the sanctuary doors in the Narthex. Also, financial gifts can always be submitted online through the website.

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

August 23 (10.30a) Worship Service

August 30 (10.30a) Worship Service

SUBSCRIBE ONLINE TO RECEIVE CHRIST CHURCH EMAILS

Connect with the life of our congregation and stay up to date with the latest news and calendar of events by subscribing to our electronic weekly newsletters. Please visit the Resources page on our website to subscribe, or email Charlotte Reeves indicating your desire be added to our distribution list.

WIGGLY TODDLERS & NURSING MOMS

As we walk through the summer months together, we believe it is safest not to offer childcare or children's ministry during services. Nursing mothers, please feel free to use the cry room upstairs designated for nursing or the downstairs Nursery. Parents who are training their children in worship are welcome to use the other designated cry room upstairs. Finally, parents with wiggly toddlers are welcome to supervise their children in the Multi-purpose room off the sanctuary (sermon audio is piped into this room). Toys will be available for children to play with in this area during the service.

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

Along with Communion, we will have a special Deacons' Fund offering. If you would like to participate, please designate a check for the Deacons' Fund and deposit it in the offering box just outside of the sanctuary doors.

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————— 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

Give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him;

Tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;

Seek his presence continually!

INVOCATION

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy!
Words: Dykes | Music: Heber

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
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CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you only, we have sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Hide your face from our sins and blot out our iniquity. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and restore to us the joy of your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Words: Wesley | Music: Thompson

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none; I, helpless hang on thee;
Leave, O, leave me not alone; support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed; all help from thee I bring.
Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The "holy catholic and apostolic Church" refers to the entire community of God's redeemed people throughout the world and across the centuries.*

HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 105.23-45

- ²³ Then Israel came to Egypt;
Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.
- ²⁴ And the Lord made his people very fruitful
and made them stronger than their foes.
- ²⁵ He turned their hearts to hate his people,
to deal craftily with his servants.
- ²⁶ He sent Moses, his servant,
and Aaron, whom he had chosen.
- ²⁷ They performed his signs among them
and miracles in the land of Ham.
- ²⁸ He sent darkness, and made the land dark;
they did not rebel against his words.
- ²⁹ He turned their waters into blood
and caused their fish to die.
- ³⁰ Their land swarmed with frogs,
even in the chambers of their kings.
- ³¹ He spoke, and there came swarms of flies,
and gnats throughout their country.
- ³² He gave them hail for rain,
and fiery lightning bolts through their land.
- ³³ He struck down their vines and fig trees,
and shattered the trees of their country.
- ³⁴ He spoke, and the locusts came,
young locusts without number,
- ³⁵ which devoured all the vegetation in their land
and ate up the fruit of their ground.
- ³⁶ He struck down all the firstborn in their land,
the firstfruits of all their strength.

³⁷ Then he brought out Israel with silver and gold,
and there was none among his tribes who stumbled.

³⁸ Egypt was glad when they departed,
for dread of them had fallen upon it.

³⁹ He spread a cloud for a covering,
and fire to give light by night.

⁴⁰ They asked, and he brought quail,
and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.

⁴¹ He opened the rock, and water gushed out;
it flowed through the desert like a river.

⁴² For he remembered his holy promise,
and Abraham, his servant.

⁴³ So he brought his people out with joy,
his chosen ones with singing.

⁴⁴ And he gave them the lands of the nations,
and they took possession of the fruit of the peoples' toil,

⁴⁵ that they might keep his statutes
and observe his laws.

Praise the Lord!

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

Hebrews 11.23-40

²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸ By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

²⁹ By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

³² And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

³⁵ Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

³⁹ And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what

was promised,⁴⁰ since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

What More Shall I Say?

Chuck Colson

RESPOND *to* GOD

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

⊕ 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.**

CELEBRATE *the* LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THANKSGIVING & PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might! Heaven and earth are full of Your glory! Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Then, the pastor continues in prayer by giving thanks to God for our salvation in Jesus Christ and sets apart the bread and wine for the meal.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the center aisle. Please take your place as a family unit on the designated floor markers. When the minister invites you, step up to the table to receive the bread. Then, to receive the cup please walk to your right or left where you will be served. A trash receptacle will be available as you return to your seat by the outside aisle.

All baptized Christians, who are seeking to walk in repentance and faith, are welcome to join us at the table. Children, who are not communing members of the church, are invited to come forward with their families for prayer.

HYMN

He Sets A Table

Words: Colson & Zipf | Music: Zipf

He sets a table prepared for us
His body broken his precious blood
Sacrificed to give us life
He sets a table prepared for us

He is our refuge in dire need
When we seek him he will receive
All those weary, all those weak
He sets a table prepared for us

In this desert we wait for him
To give the bread of salvation
To the hungry and to the poor
He sets a table prepared for us

At the supper of the lamb
We will behold the son of man
He will swallow Death forever
He sets a table prepared for us

HYMN

Sweet Comfort

Words: Phillips | Music: McCracken

Whatever my God ordains is right
His holy will abides
I will be still whatever he does
And follow where he guides

Chorus:

Sweet comfort, sweet comfort
Yet shall fill my heart
Sweet comfort, sweet comfort
Sorrow shall depart

Whatever my God ordains is right
He makes my feet to stand
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine
He holds me in his hand

This bitter cup, I take it
My fainting heart restored
So here I stand, unshaken
I trust upon the Lord

He is my God though dark my road
He holds me, I shall not fall
Whatever my God ordains as right
To him I leave it all

⊕ HYMN

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Words & Music: McCracken

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

He has done great things; we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire.

He is the Lord our God.

We are not consumed, by the flood.

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn,

My soul, be not afraid.

For the promised morning, O how long?

O God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed

You are the faithful one

And from the garden to the grave

Bind us together bring shalom

DEPART *in* PEACE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

Tommy Park and intern, Aldo Mondin serve students on the campus of the University of North Florida with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), which is the denominational college ministry of the PCA. Their desire is that RUF at UNF would be a place for skeptics and weary Christians to come face-to-face with the real Jesus.

ITEMS *for* PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS: Branson Bishop; Sue Forsyth; Elizabeth Garnett; Gar Gurganious; Hector & V'Elna Harima; Rob Hiday; Tim Seise

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