



CHRIST CHURCH
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

August 2, 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, the offering plate will be posted as you leave, where gifts can be deposited. Also, financial gifts can always be submitted online through the website.

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

August 3 (6.30p)	Session Meeting
August 8 (9a-Noon)	Seamark Ranch Volunteer Day
August 9 (10.30a)	Worship Service

SEAMARK RANCH VOLUNTEER DAY

The next Seamark Ranch volunteer day will be Saturday, August 8, 9a-Noon. Anyone interested in seeing Seamark up close and contributing a few hours of labor to that community is welcome! This is a great activity and service opportunity for families, too. Please contact Chris White if you plan to volunteer or have any questions.

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.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Our congregation has a long history of liberally responding to God's grace and generosity through faithful financial stewardship. Obviously, the Covid-19 crisis will upset our normal operations for receiving financial gifts. That said, we invite you to place your offering in the plate as you leave, mail it to the church, or consider giving online.

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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

Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart! I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

For you have exalted above all things your name and your word!

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD!

For great is the glory of the LORD!

INVOCATION

HYMN

Let's Go Up to the House of God

Words: Colson | Music: Zipf

Let's go up to the house of God,
The rock of our salvation.
Let's bow down and worship him
In adoration!

Chorus:

Let's go up! Let's go up!
Let's go up to the house of God!

Let's go up to the house of God;
Ascend his holy hill.
Come, seek his light and his truth;
And listen to his will.

Let's go up to the mount of God,
A house of prayer for all;
To pour out our hearts to him
Who listens when we call!

Let's go up to the house of God
To plead he bring the day
When our Savior comes again
And calls us from our graves!

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 been stubborn of heart, following our own counsel and forsaking your ways. Pardon our guilt, for it is great. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, cleanse us from our sins that we may walk in a manner pleasing to you by the power of your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

Good and Upright (Psalm 25)

Words: Colson & Zippf | Music: Zippf

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust;
Make me to know your ways,
And teach me your paths.

For the sake of your name, Lord,
Pardon my guilt for it is great.
Consider my affliction
And forgive all my sin.

Chorus:

O Lord, remember your mercy
And your steadfast love,
For they are from of old.
Good and upright are you, Lord!
Good and upright are you, Lord!

Lead me in your truth and teach me,
For you are the God
Of my salvation;
For you I wait all the day long.

Lord, turn to me and be gracious,
You know the troubles of my heart.
Oh, guard my soul, Lord,
And deliver us!

— CELEBRATE *the* COVENANT *of* BAPTISM —

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 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 THOMAS EDWARD GREENE

HYMN

Savior, In Your Promise
Words: Colson | Music: Bradbury

Savior in your promise, you take,
This lil' lamb into your care;
Keep and guard him for your name's sake,
All his troubles may you bear.

Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Listen to our humble prayer!
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Listen to our humble prayer!

Dear child, trust in Him forever;
Follow him all of your days;
Hold to him who faileth never,
He is true and strong to save.

Trust in Jesus! Trust in Jesus!
Follow him all of your days.
Trust in Jesus! Trust in Jesus!
Follow him all of your days.

HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 119.49-56, 65-72, 137-144

- ⁴⁹ Remember your word to your servant,
in which you have made me hope.
- ⁵⁰ This is my comfort in my affliction,
that your promise gives me life.
- ⁵¹ The insolent utterly deride me,
but I do not turn away from your law.
- ⁵² When I think of your rules from of old,
I take comfort, O Lord.
- ⁵³ Hot indignation seizes me because of the wicked,
who forsake your law.
- ⁵⁴ Your statutes have been my songs
in the house of my sojourning.
- ⁵⁵ I remember your name in the night, O Lord,
and keep your law.
- ⁵⁶ This blessing has fallen to me,
that I have kept your precepts.
- ⁶⁵ You have dealt well with your servant,
O Lord, according to your word.
- ⁶⁶ Teach me good judgment and knowledge,
for I believe in your commandments.
- ⁶⁷ Before I was afflicted I went astray,
but now I keep your word.
- ⁶⁸ You are good and do good;
teach me your statutes.
- ⁶⁹ The insolent smear me with lies,
but with my whole heart I keep your precepts;
- ⁷⁰ their heart is unfeeling like fat,

but I delight in your law.

⁷¹ It is good for me that I was afflicted,
that I might learn your statutes.

⁷² The law of your mouth is better to me
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

¹³⁷ Righteous are you, O Lord,
and right are your rules.

¹³⁸ You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.

¹³⁹ My zeal consumes me,
because my foes forget your words.

¹⁴⁰ Your promise is well tried,
and your servant loves it.

¹⁴¹ I am small and despised,
yet I do not forget your precepts.

¹⁴² Your righteousness is righteous forever,
and your law is true.

¹⁴³ Trouble and anguish have found me out,
but your commandments are my delight.

¹⁴⁴ Your testimonies are righteous forever;
give me understanding that I may live.

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!

¹ I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³ And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴ and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵ On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— ⁶ though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me.

⁷ So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹ But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

I am Yours
Chuck Colson

RESPOND *to* GOD

⊕ HYMN

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Words: Steele | Music: Twit

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on thee, when sorrows rise
On thee, when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies
To thee I tell each rising grief, for thou alone can'st heal
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief, for every pain I feel

But O! When gloomy doubts prevail, I fear to call thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail, and all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God, where shall I flee? Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to thee though prostrate in the dust

Hast thou not bid me seek thy face, and shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace, be deaf when I complain?
No still the ear of sovereign grace, attends the mourner's prayer
O, may I ever find access, to breathe my sorrows there

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend thy will, and wait beneath thy feet,
Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend thy will, and wait beneath thy feet

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

Hasten to Me, O God

Words: Colson | Music: Zipf

*Hasten to me, O God; do not delay
Come be my help in troubled days
Turn back the plans of those who walk in shame
They speak in lies; their tongues are open graves*

Chorus:

Let all who love you say: "Our God is great!"

You, the Lord, my God are my refuge!

Lord, you never, never forsake.

Lord, you never, never forsake.

*My mouth will testify; I will proclaim
Your righteousness throughout the day
Turn back the plans of those who walk in shame
They speak in lies; their tongues are open graves*

⊕ 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

DEPART *in* PEACE

HYMN

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Words: Lyte | Music: Poirier

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition, God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior, too;
Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not like them, untrue;
Oh, while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me; show thy face and all is bright

Go, then, earthly fame and treasure, come, disaster, scorn and pain;
In thy service, pain is pleasure, with thy favor, loss is gain.
I have called thee, 'Abba, Father', I have stayed my heart on thee;
Storms may howl and clouds may gather, all must work for good to me.

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
Heav'n's eternal days before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days;
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

BENEDICTION

MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

Josh and Anna Dickenson, and their sons, Daniel, Jacob, and Benjamin live in Bundibugyo, Uganda, working with Serge with a focus on using clean water projects as a vehicle for sharing the Gospel. God's heart for the poor has inspired Josh and Anna to live and minister to the Babwisi, Bakongo, and Bwamba tribes in Bundibugyo. They envision a life of walking alongside these diverse friends and serving God there through preaching, healing, and equipping.

ITEMS *for* PRAYER

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