



CHRIST CHURCH  
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

*Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

*August 9, 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 16 (10.30a)      Communion Service  
August 23 (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.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

JULY 2020	YEAR-TO-DATE 2020
Budget: \$65,500.00	Budget: \$458,500.00
Actual: \$53,193.00	Actual: \$446,114.28
Difference: -18.8%	Difference: -2.7%

## 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 33

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright! Give thanks to the LORD; sing to him a new song!

**For the word of the LORD is upright!**

Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

**For he spoke, and it came to be!**

Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**the maker of heaven and earth!**

## INVOCATION

## HYMN

## *All Creatures of Our God and King*

*Words: St Francis of Assisi*

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on him cast your care,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness  
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!

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we confess to you, that in many times and ways, by thought, word, and deed, we have sinned against you; and are not worthy to be called your children. We humbly ask you, according to your mercy in Christ Jesus, that you forgive our offenses and grant us true repentance for the honor and glory of your name.  
Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

*Words: Chapman | Music: Prichard*

Jesus! What a Friend for sinners!  
Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,  
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Chorus:

Hallelujah! What a Savior!  
Hallelujah! What a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a Help in sorrow!  
While the billows ov'r me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking,  
He, my Comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus! I do now receive him,  
More than all in him I find;  
He hath granted me forgiveness,  
I am his, and he is mine.

— 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 ELIAS NATHANIEL LAMAN



## 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 105.1-22

- <sup>1</sup> Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!
- <sup>3</sup> Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!
- <sup>4</sup> Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!
- <sup>5</sup> Remember the wondrous works that he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
- <sup>6</sup> O offspring of Abraham, his servant,  
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!
- <sup>7</sup> He is the Lord our God;  
his judgments are in all the earth.
- <sup>8</sup> He remembers his covenant forever,  
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,
- <sup>9</sup> the covenant that he made with Abraham,  
his sworn promise to Isaac,
- <sup>10</sup> which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,  
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
- <sup>11</sup> saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan  
as your portion for an inheritance."
- <sup>12</sup> When they were few in number,  
of little account, and sojourners in it,
- <sup>13</sup> wandering from nation to nation,  
from one kingdom to another people,
- <sup>14</sup> he allowed no one to oppress them;  
he rebuked kings on their account,

<sup>15</sup> saying, “Touch not my anointed ones,  
do my prophets no harm!”  
<sup>16</sup> When he summoned a famine on the land  
and broke all supply of bread,  
<sup>17</sup> he had sent a man ahead of them,  
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.  
<sup>18</sup> His feet were hurt with fetters;  
his neck was put in a collar of iron;  
<sup>19</sup> until what he had said came to pass,  
the word of the Lord tested him.  
<sup>20</sup> The king sent and released him;  
the ruler of the peoples set him free;  
<sup>21</sup> he made him lord of his house  
and ruler of all his possessions,  
<sup>22</sup> to bind his princes at his pleasure  
and to teach his elders wisdom.

*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!**

<sup>1</sup> Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup> For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

<sup>4</sup> By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup> By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup> And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup> By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

<sup>9</sup> By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup> By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup> Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup> These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup> For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of that land from

which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return.<sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

<sup>17</sup> By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son,<sup>18</sup> of whom it was said, “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.”<sup>19</sup> He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.<sup>20</sup> By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau.<sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff.<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

*After the lesson, we respond:*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*By Faith*  
Chuck Colson

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## RESPOND *to* GOD

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⊕ HYMN

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*Words: Williams | Music: Hughes*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy pow'rful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield,  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

## 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

*By Faith*

*Words & Music: Getty & Townend*

*By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight  
By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the power of his promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign*

*Chorus:*

*We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight*

*By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the power to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave*



*By faith the church was called to go  
In the power of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In every corner of the earth (Chorus)*

*By faith this mountain shall be moved  
And the power of the gospel shall prevail  
For we know in Christ all things are possible  
For all who call upon his name (Chorus)*

## ⊕ 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

*Gloria Patri: World Without End*

*Music: Colson & Zipf*

Glory be to the Father  
And to the Son  
And to the Holy Spirit  
Our God, Three in One  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now, and ever shall be  
World without end  
Amen

## BENEDICTION

## MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

As President and CEO of East-West Ministries International, Kurt Nelson provides leadership and oversight to all worldwide ministry endeavors in the 50+ countries in which East-West currently operates. Kurt also personally leads East-West short-term trips to India, Russia, Kazakhstan, East Asia, and Cuba.

## ITEMS *for* PRAYER

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

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