

# ORDER of WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022

# 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 3-1st grade are dismissed for Children's Chapel after we recite the Apostles' Creed. They exit the sanctuary through the back doors 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

March 27 (5.30p)	Youth Small Groups
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March 30 (12p) Lenten Lunch

April 2 (9a) Church Workday at Seamark Ranch

April 3 (9.30a) School of Discipleship
April 3 (10.30a) Worship Service
April 3 (5.30p) Youth Small Groups
April 4 (6.30p) Joint Officers' Meeting

April 6 (12p) Lenten Lunch

April 10 (9.30a) School of Discipleship
April 10 (10.30a) Palm Sunday Service
April 10 (5.30p) Youth Small Groups
April 13 (12p) Final Lenten Lunch

#### CHURCH WORKDAY AT SEAMARK RANCH

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 2nd and join us out at Seamark Ranch to help prepare the property for their annual Mud Run the following weekend. We will meet at Seamark Ranch at 9am under the picnic pavilion just under a mile inside the front entrance. Please contact Chris White with questions.

### UKRAINE RELIEF FUND

We invite you to join us as we participate with our denominational missionary agency, Mission to the World (MTW), to provide relief to those in need in Western Ukraine. These funds will help provide food, shelter, clothes, and other essentials for those who have lost everything in the Russian invasion. To give, write a check to Christ Church designated to "Ukraine Relief" in the memo line or give online at www.christchurchpresjax.org/giving.

### TREASURER'S UPDATE

Thanks for your generosity and financial partnership with us at Christ Church. As March hastens by, we are nearing the end of our first financial quarter for 2022. Due to a very sporadic start to the year with COVID concerns, as of the end of February we are running 12.6% behind budget. Please join us in a strong finish for March to be on sound financial footing.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022

Mark your calendars for VBS at Christ Church June 6-10. Children ages 4 through rising 6th grade are welcome. Stay tuned for details and sign-up info.

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# ENTER the PRESENCE of GOD

#### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chuck Colson

 ${\it Please take a moment to prepare your heart for worship, and silence all mobile devices.}$ 

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 111

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation! Great are the works of the LORD,

## studied by all who delight in them!

Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever! He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered!

The LORD is gracious and merciful!

**INVOCATION** 

#### HYMN

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus Words: Francis | Music: Williams

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;

Rolling as a mighty ocean

In its fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me,

Is the current of thy love;

Leading onward, leading homeward,

To thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

Spread his praise from shore to shore;

How he loveth, ever loveth,

Changeth never, nevermore;

How he watches o'er his loved ones,

Died to call them all his own;

How for them he intercedeth,

Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best: 'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'Tis a haven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; And it lifts me up to glory, For it lifts me up to thee.

### 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**

By Thy Mercy
Words: Cummins | Music: Thompson

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.

### HYMN

Great God from Thee
Words: Newton | Music: Smith

Great God from thee there's naught concealed, Thou see'st my inward frame, To thee I always stand revealed, exactly as I am.

Since I can hardly therefore bear, what in myself I see,
How vile and dark must I appear, most holy God to thee?
But since my savior stands between in garments dyed in blood,
'Tis he instead of me is seen when I approach to God.

Thus, though a sinner, I am safe, he pleads before the throne, His life and death in my behalf and calls my sins his own. What wondrous love, what mysteries, in this appointed shine, My breaches of the law are his, and his obedience mine.

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My breaches of the law are his, and his obedience mine.

#### 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. Children exit the sanctuary through the main rear doors. They will return for the Offering.

# HEAR the WORD of GOD

### PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 85

- <sup>1</sup> LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- <sup>2</sup> You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.
- <sup>3</sup> You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.
- <sup>4</sup> Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!
- Will you be angry with us forever?
  Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- <sup>6</sup> Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?
- <sup>7</sup> Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.
- <sup>8</sup> Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
- <sup>9</sup> Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- $^{10}$  Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- <sup>11</sup> Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.
- <sup>12</sup> Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.
- <sup>13</sup> Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

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**

Ephesians 3.14-19

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup> that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup> may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** 

Restore Us Again Chuck Colson

# RESPOND to GOD

## **HYMN**

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less Words: Mote | Music: Stampley

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

#### Chorus

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O, may I then in him be found;
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

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** 

Patient Kingdom

Words & Music: McCracken, Davies-Jones, & Masen

Let my soul rise up to meet you As the day rises to the sun Let my soul rise up to meet you Let that patient kingdom come

When's the last time you felt steady in the chaos?

Hear the sound when the seed falls to earth

Is it time to give up your destination?

Slow me down, let love do its work

As the trees and hummingbirds lead the chorus
They work so hard, and their center so still
Is it time for a change in direction?
Slow me down where I bend to your will

Oh, slow me down Oh, slow me down Let love do its work

## **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**

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Words: Showwalter | Music: Hoffman

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, Leaning on the everlasting arms; What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Chorus

Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

O, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
O, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## **BENEDICTION**

# MINISTRIES of the WEEK

### LOCAL

Aldo Mondin graduated from the University of North Florida in 2015 and attended Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, earning a degree in biblical studies and theology. He and his wife, Abby, were involved in RUF in college and have loved it ever since. In 2019 he joined the staff of RUF at UNF and became the campus minister at the University of South Florida in 2021. His passion is to help students realize their hope in Jesus Christ.

#### INTERNATIONAL

Josh and Anna Dickenson, with 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

HEALTH CONCERNS: Steve Beaver; Barb Day (cancer); Louis Fassnacht; Sue Forsyth (back); Elizabeth Garnett (cancer); Gar Gurganious (cancer); Hector (dementia) & V'Elna Harima; Wayne Noble; Sandy Reynolds

DEPLOYMENTS: Jonathan Waddell (Abigail)

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