

ORDER of WORSHIP

Easter Sunday April 17, 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 in the lobby, or seek out one of our pastors.

KIDS during WORSHIP

This Sunday we celebrate Holy Communion. Children, ages 3-1st grade, are dismissed before the Scripture readings and return during the offering to join us for our celebration of the Lord's Supper. While many of our kids are not prepared to share in the Lord's Table, we believe there is great value to including them in this celebratory feast. This tangible expression of God's grace in Jesus Christ often provokes great discussions for families with even the youngest of children. Additionally, the elders serving the meal pray for all noncommuning children.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

April 17	NO Youth Small Groups
April 21 (12.30p)	Wrapped in Prayer Meeting
April 24 (9.30a)	School of Discipleship
April 24 (10.30a)	Worship Service (Graduates' Day)
April 24 (4.30p)	Spring Classic/Youth Silent Auction
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May 1 (9.30a)School of DiscipleshipMay 1 (10.30a)Worship ServiceMay 1 (5.30p)Youth Small Groups

SPRING CLASSIC

Please join us on Sunday, April 24, at 4.30p, for our annual Spring cookout. This year we will also celebrate and say farewell to the Colsons as Chuck begins his sabbatical! We will enjoy an afternoon of fun and food together on the front lawn! Food will be provided. There will be water slides for all ages and the Kona Ice Truck will be here serving snow cones. You won't want to miss it!

SILENT AUCTION FOR YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

During our Spring Classic on April 24th, our middle and high school students will be putting on a silent auction to raise money for their summer trip to Ridge Haven Camp in North Carolina. With the high cost of camp and transportation, we need all the participation we can get! So, come prepared to bid on baked treats, yardwork, house-cleaning, and a few other exciting items!

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.

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 place it in the offering plate. Please place cash donations to the Deacons' Fund in a labeled envelope.

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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

For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. 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!

Alleluia! The LORD is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

INVOCATION

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today
Words & Music: Wesley

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!

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. 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 delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Praise the Savior Now and Ever
Words: Fortunatus

Praise the Savior now and ever; praise him, all beneath the skies;

Prostrate lying, suff'ring, dying on the cross, a sacrifice.

Vict'ry gaining, life obtaining, now in glory he doth rise.

Praise the Savior now and ever; praise him, all beneath the skies!

Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth; he is all our righteousness;

He, our Savior, has forever set us free from dire distress.

Through his merit we inherit light and peace and happiness.

Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth; he is all our righteousness!

Sin's bonds severed, we're delivered; Christ has bruised the serpent's head;

Death no longer is the stronger; Hell itself is captive led.

Christ has risen from death's prison; o'er the tomb he light has shed.

Sin's bonds severed, we're delivered; Christ has bruised the serpent's head!

For his favor, praise forever, unto God the Father sing;

Praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King.

Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit, he doth us salvation bring.

Praise the Savior now and ever; praise him all, our Lord and King!

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 118

- ¹ Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
- ² Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

³ Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

⁴ Let those who fear the LORD say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

- ⁵ Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.
- $^{\rm 6}$ The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.

What can man do to me?

- ⁷ The Lord is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.
- ⁸ It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.
- ⁹ It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.
- ¹⁰ All nations surrounded me;

in the name of the LORD I cut them off!

¹¹ They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side;

in the name of the LORD I cut them off!

- $^{\mbox{\tiny 12}}$ They surrounded me like bees;
 - they went out like a fire among thorns;

in the name of the Lord I cut them off!

¹³ I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the LORD helped me.

- ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.
- Glad songs of salvation
 are in the tents of the righteous:
 "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
- the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.
- ¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.
- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- ²⁵ Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!
- ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- ²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.

²⁹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

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!

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 16.1-8

¹ When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶ And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸ And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

 $This \, Day \, the \, Lord \, has \, Made$ $Chuck \, Colson$

Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares: "Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares."

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer, But the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory; Sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

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

This Day the Lord has Made Words: Colson & Zipf | Music: Zipf

This day the Lord has made! This day! This day! This day the Lord has made! This day! This day!

Early in the morn'
The stone was rolled away.
Our Savior rose again;
Put death into its grave.

He came with grace and truth
And we passed him by.
What we rejected
The Lord has lifted high!

He trampled down death
And cast out sin.
Sent us his Spirit
Until he comes again!

Come see the work of God To set the captives free The horse and his rider Are thrown into the sea!

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 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 outer aisles. When the usher invites you, step up to the communion rail to receive the bread and cup. You will then return to your seat down the center 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.

I Know that My Redeemer Lives Words: Medley

I know that my Redeemer lives—
Glory, hallelujah!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives—
Glory, hallelujah!

Chorus

Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground—Glory, hallelujah!
The dead's alive and the lost is found—Glory, hallelujah!

He lives, he lives, who once was dead—Glory, hallelujah!
He lives, my everlasting Head—Glory, hallelujah!

He lives, to bless me with his love—Glory, hallelujah!
He lives to plead for me above—Glory, hallelujah!

He lives, all glory to his name—
Glory, hallelujah!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same—
Glory, hallelujah!

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to him who showed great love
And bled for us
Freely you've bled for us

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death Come awake, come awake! Come and rise up from the grave! Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with him again Come awake, come awake! Come and rise up from the grave!

Beneath the weight of all our sin
You bowed to none but heaven's will
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown
No burden great can hold you down
In strength you reign
Forever let your church proclaim

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O Church, come stand in the light!
The glory of God has defeated the night!
O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?

Our God is not dead! He's alive, he's alive!

O church, come stand in the light

The Lamb has Overcome
Words & Music: Morton

The Lamb has overcome, the Lamb has overcome.

The battle's been done and the victory is won;

For the Lamb has overcome.

No grave could hold him down, no grave could hold him down.

Up from the ground, "He is risen!" was the sound;

No grave could hold him down.

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!

Glory be unto to his name!

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!

Glory be unto to his name!

At God's right hand is he, at God's right hand is he.

Our perfect plea as he lives to intercede;

At God's right hand is he.

The table now is spread, the table now is spread.

This wine and bread, broken body and blood shed;

The table now is spread.

The day is drawing near, the day is drawing near.

He shall appear and will wipe away each tear;

The day is drawing near.

Wake Up, O Sleeper Words: Colson | Music: Zipf

Wake up, O sleeper

The day of days has come!

Rejoice! Rejoice!

His victory has been won!

Our Savior has made death to flee,

And trampled down our sin!

Wake up, O sleeper;

He is risen!

Wake up, O sleeper

The long night is done!

Rejoice! Rejoice!

In the light of the Son!

As in Adam, all have died,

So in Christ we live!

Wake up, O sleeper;

Our King is risen!

Wake up, O Sleeper

The day is now at hand!

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Darkness met its end!

We are the children of the light,

The children of the day!

Wake up, O Sleeper!

Rise up from your grave!

Day and night, the seraphs sing 'round the heavenly throne;

They call to him who was and is and who is yet to come!

The elders fall before the Lamb, offering their praise:

"Glory, honor and blessing to the Ancient of Days!"

Chorus

Hallelujah! The Lord, our God, reigns!
Hallelujah! He has conquered the grave!
Hallelujah! His ways are just and true!
Hallelujah! He will make all things new!

Every creature on the earth and those under the sea Lift their voice in one accord to the King of kings! The dragon came to devour the nations with the beast, But the Lamb who was slain set the people free!

At the supper of the Lamb our God prepares the bride, Clothing her in righteousness—Linen, pure and bright! The former things have passed away the victory is the Lord's! Oh, the battle is won; we shall weep no more!

DEPART in PEACE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION 19

MINISTRY of the WEEK

LOCAL

Seamark Ranch is a nurturing Christian home and family system that gives children from families in crisis the tools they need for a brighter future. Through a family home model, a specialized residential school and the lessons of life on a working farm community, Seamark Ranch provides the ideal setting for love, stabilization, healing, education and empowerment.

INTERNATIONAL

Kurt Nelson is President and CEO of East-West Ministries International. He 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: Steve Beaver (surgery); Barb Day (cancer); Louis Fassnacht; Sue Forsyth (knee & back); Elizabeth Garnett (cancer); Gar Gurganious (cancer); Hector (dementia) & V'Elna Harima; Wayne Noble; Sandy Reynolds

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