



CHRIST CHURCH  
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

*Sixth Sunday after Trinity*

*July 11, 2021*

# 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 3-5 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

July 14 (9.30a)	Women's <i>Psalms and Prayer</i>
July 15 (9a-6.30p)	Youth Boys Wild Adventures Trip
July 15 (1p)	<i>Wrapped in Prayer</i> Meeting
July 17 (9a-1p)	Seamark Saturday
July 18 (10.30a)	Communion Service
July 19 (9a-6.30p)	Youth Girls Wild Adventures Trip
July 21 (9.30a)	Women's <i>Psalms and Prayer</i>
July 25 (10.30a)	Worship Service
July 26-29	Youth Backyard Mission Trip
July 28 (9.30a)	Women's <i>Psalms and Prayer</i>

## FALL MINISTRY KICK-OFF—AUGUST 15

Join us on August 15 as we resume many of the ministries that have been on hold due to disruptions caused by the building renovation and Covid. School of Discipleship for children and youth, and Congregational Communities for adults will resume. In addition, we will be celebrating the start of the semester and the release of the next Yellowhammer Hymns album with a cookout on the lawn after church. Stay tuned for details to come!

## SEAMARK SATURDAY

Join us at Seamark Ranch Saturday, July 17 (9a-1p), to participate in their monthly volunteer workday. Anyone interested in visiting Seamark and contributing a few hours of labor to that community is welcome! If you are interested or have questions, please contact Chris White (whiteread@aol.com).

## *WRAPPED IN PRAYER* MEETING & DONATIONS

The next *Wrapped in Prayer* meeting will be held in the multipurpose room on July 15th at 1pm. Those learning to crochet or knit are welcome. If you would like to donate yarn or contribute to the cost of yarn for this ministry, please contact Claire Van Til for details about what is needed (904-434-1478).

## TREASURER'S REPORT

JUNE 2021	YEAR-TO-DATE 2021
Budget: \$67,000	Budget: \$402,000
Offering: \$77,938	Offering: \$380,494
Difference: +16.3%	Difference: -5.3%

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————— ENTER *the* PRESENCE *of* GOD —————

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Lawler

*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; before the gods I sing your praise; 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

*Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul*  
*Music: Mason*

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.  
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;  
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;  
He is blest whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.  
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;  
He delivers from oppression, righteousness he will maintain.

Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning prisoner free,  
Raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eye to see.  
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends,  
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.  
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King;  
Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

## 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 confess that we've failed to obey your word, choosing to walk in the way of our own wisdom. Pardon our guilt, for it is great. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ have mercy on us and forgive us that we may walk in a manner worthy of your calling through the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ 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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## HYMN

*Before the Throne of God Above*

*Words: Bancroft | Music: Cook*

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
For God the Just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness;  
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God  
With Christ my Savior and my God.



## 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 3-5, 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 29

- <sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- <sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
- <sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over many waters.
- <sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- <sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- <sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- <sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
- <sup>8</sup> The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- <sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth  
and strips the forests bare,  
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
- <sup>10</sup> The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
- <sup>11</sup> May the LORD give strength to his people!  
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

*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!**

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2.42-47

<sup>42</sup> And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup> And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup> And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

*After the lesson, we respond:*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*The Church: A Learning Community*

Paul Kalfa

## RESPOND to GOD

### ⊕ HYMN

*How Firm A Foundation*  
*Words: Funk | Music: Rippon*

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

## 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

*Thy Word*

*Words & Music: Grant & Smith*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.*

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*When I feel afraid,  
And I think I've lost my way,  
Still you're there right beside me.  
Nothing will I fear,  
As long as you are near;  
Please be near me to the end.*

*I will not forget  
Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus be my guide  
And hold me to your side;  
I will love you to the end.*

⊕ 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

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

*Words: Peace | Music: Matheson*

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
That in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way,  
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn' shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

### BENEDICTION



# MINISTRIES *of the* WEEK

## LOCAL

First Coast Women's Services (FCWS) provides free-of-charge medical services and accurate evidence-based education on all options regarding unplanned pregnancy. They desire to help women and men understand all their options in a safe and respectful environment by providing lab grade pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, options counseling, and community referrals from a professional, and caring staff.

## INTERNATIONAL

Josh, Anna, 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

**HEALTH CONCERNS:** Carl Ashauer (*broken arm & leg*); Barb Day (*cancer*); Louis Fassnacht; Sue Forsyth (*back*); Elizabeth Garnett; Gar Gurganious (*cancer*); Hector (*dementia*) & V'Elna Harima; Wayne Noble; Valyn Ragland (*surgery*); Sandy Reynolds; Jewell Smith; Gena Young

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** Paige Bolen; Elizabeth Winings





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