

ORDER of WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday after Trinity
July 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 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.

CONNECT at CHRIST CHURCH

Through Jesus, God saves us by grace through faith alone. That said, God does not save us to be alone! Rather, he welcomes us into his family, bringing us into relationship with one another. Within this family, Jesus challenges and transforms us as we love one another, share life together, and serve the world around us. At Christ Church, we desire to develop these types of relationships in School of Discipleship. Please join us at 9.30 am on Sundays to participate!

CALENDAR of EVENTS

July 19 (9.30-11.15a)Women's Prayer & Psalm StudyJuly 21 (12:30p)Wrapped in Prayer Meeting

July 24 (10.30a) Worship Service

July 25-28Youth Backyard Mission TripJuly 26 (9.30-11.15a)Women's Summer Book Club

July 29 Day of Fasting & Prayer July 31 (10.30a) Communion Service

August 3 (9a-3.30p) Youth Aquatica Trip

BACK-TO-SCHOOL COOKOUT | AUGUST 14

Join us on the front lawn right after church on August 14 for a back-to-school cookout and some end of summer fun. There will be burgers and hotdogs and water slides for all ages. Pack bathing suits and bring a blanket or lawn chairs!

WOMEN'S PRAYER & PSALM STUDY

Our annual Women's Prayer & Psam study continues on Tuesdays (9.30-11.15a) through July 19. Don't miss out on this time to study and pray for our ministries, missionaries, and other needs. Childcare is available for ages 4 and under.

WOMEN'S SUMMER BOOK CLUB

All women are invited to participate in our 2022 Summer Book Club. We will be reading *Chooseing Gratitude* by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth. Our final meeting for the summer will be on July 26, 9.30-11.15a.

SENIOR PASTOR SABBATICAL

Until July 31 our Senior Pastor, Chuck Colson, will be on sabbatical. Please join us in praying for the Colson family to have a restful and renewing time away. We are glad to afford our pastor this opportunity and thankful to the Lilly Foundation for their generous gift making this possible. If you would like to follow along with Chuck's activities, visit poormansery.com.

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ENTER the PRESENCE of GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Lawler

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his!

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good!

His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations!

INVOCATION

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down: Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown: Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; Visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast; Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest: Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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 love our neighbor as we ought, putting our own interests ahead of theirs. 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 walk in a manner worthy of your calling through the power of your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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. And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?

Died he for me who caused his pain? For me who him to death pursued?

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Chorus

Amazing love! How can it be, That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace! Emptied himself of all but love and bled for Adam's helpless race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night;

Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light.

My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!

Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine;

Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

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 103

- ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
- ² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
- ³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
- ⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- ⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
- ⁸ The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
- ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
- ¹⁴ For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

- ¹⁵ As for man, his days are like grass;
 - he flourishes like a flower of the field;
- ¹⁶ for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.
- ¹⁷ But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,
 - and his righteousness to children's children,
- $^{\rm 18}$ to those who keep his covenant
 - and remember to do his commandments.
- ¹⁹ The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.
- ²⁰ Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!
- ²¹ Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!
- ²² Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

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!

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. ³¹ "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

 $\label{life} \textit{Life, Submission, and the Pursuit of Happiness} \\ \text{Rev. Dr. Mike Allen}$

RESPOND to GOD

\oplus HYMN

Jesus, Lover of My Soul
Words: Wesley | Music: Thompson

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none; I, helpless hang on thee; Leave, O, leave me not alone; support and comfort me. All my trust on thee is stayed; all help from thee I bring. Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee; Spring thou up within my heart; for all eternity. 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

O Love of God, How Strong and True Words: Bonar | Music: Parry

O love of God, how strong and true! Eternal and yet ever new, Uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought! O love of God, how deep and great, far deeper than man's deepest hate; Self-fed, self-kindled like the light, changeless, eternal, infinite.

O heav'nly love, how precious still, in days of weariness and ill,
In nights of pain and helplessness, to heal, to comfort, and to bless!
O wide-embracing, wondrous love! We read you in the sky above,
We read you in the earth below, in seas that swell, and streams that flow.

We read you best in him who came to bear for us the cross of shame; Sent by the Father from on high, our life to live, our death to die. We read your pow'r to bless and save, e'en in the darkness of the grave; Still more in resurrection light we read the fullness of your might.

O love of God, our shield and stay through all the perils of our way!

Eternal love, in you we rest, forever safe, forever blest.

We will exalt you, God and King, and we will ever praise your name;

We will extol you ev'ry day, and evermore your praise proclaim.

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

More Love to Thee, O Christ Words: Prentiss | Music: Doane

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!

Hear thou the prayer I make

On bended knee;

This is my earnest plea,

More love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;

Now thee alone I seek;

Give what is best:

This all my prayer shall be,

More love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise;

This be the parting cry

My heart shall raise,

This still its prayer shall be,

More love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee!

BENEDICTION

MINISTRIES of the WEEK

LOCAL

City Rescue Mission (CRM) exists to transform the lives of the homeless and needy in Jacksonville, serving them through the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. CRM accomplishes this mission by providing multiple programs including addiction recovery, emergency services, meals, job training, and resourcing.

INTERNATIONAL

Third Millennium Ministries seeks to equip church leaders in their own lands by creating a multimedia seminary curriculum in five major languages. Their goal is goal is to provide Christian education to hundreds of thousands of pastors around the world who lack sufficient training for ministry by publishing and globally distributing a free multilingual, multimedia, digital seminary curriculum in English, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Russian, and Spanish.

ITEMS for PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS: Steve Beaver; Barb Day (cancer); Mo Dickenson (foot); Sue Forsyth (knee); Elizabeth Garnett (cancer); Gar Gurganious (cancer); Hector (dementia) & V'Elna Harima; Bob Moore (back); Wayne Noble; Sandy Reynolds

CONNECT

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□ Church Membership
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□ Children's Ministry
☐ Youth Ministry
PRAYER
I would like prayer for:
$\hfill \square$ Please keep my request private

WELCOME

Name(s)
Children
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Phone
Email
☐ I would like to receive Christ

 ${\it Please tear off \& drop in the offering plate, on} \\ the {\it welcome desk, or leave with one of our staff}$

Church weekly newsletters



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