

ORDER of WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday after Trinity July 18, 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 in the lobby, or seek out one of our pastors.

KIDS during WORSHIP

This Sunday we celebrate Holy Communion. Children, age 3-5, 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 non-communing children.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

July 19 (9a-6.30p) July 21 (9.30a) July 25 (10.30a) July 26-29 July 28 (9.30a) August 1 (10.30a) August 8 (10.30a) August 15 (9.30a) August 15 (10.30a) August 15 (Noon) Youth Girls Wild Adventures Trip Women's *Psalms and Prayer* Worship Service Youth Backyard Mission Trip Women's *Psalms and Prayer* Worship Service Commion Service Joint Congregational Community Worship Service Fall Kick-Off

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 on the lawn after church. Stay tuned for details to come!

TOOLS NEEDED YOUTH BACKYARD MISSION TRIP

Our 7th-12th graders are doing their annual week of serving our local mission partners and could use some yard tools (shovels, rakes, hoes, blowers, weed eaters, etc.). If you're able to lend some tools, contact Alec Cotton or drop the tools off at the church on Sunday or Monday-Thursday from 8:30-4:30.

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 during the service or in the Narthex. Please place cash donations to the Deacons' Fund in a labeled envelope.

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ENTER the PRESENCE of GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to prepare your heart for worship, and silence all mobile devices.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD bless his name!

Chuck Colson

Psalm 96

Tell of his salvation from day to day!

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! Say among the nations:

The Lord reigns!

INVOCATION

If able, please stand

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O for a Thousand Togues to Sing Words: Wesley | Music: Glaser

O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears 'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free; His blood can make the foulest clean His blood availed for me.

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

Come Ye Sinners Words: Hart | Music: Rousseau

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Chorus

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in his arms; In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, Ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, Lost and ruined by the fall; If you tarry 'til you're better, You will never come at all.

Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream; All the fitness he requireth Is to feel your need of him.

Nothing but the Blood of Jesus Words & Music: Lowry

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Chorus

O precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

NICENE' CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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 67

¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
² that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.
³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁶ The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷ God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ 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 Confessing Community Alec Cotton

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

Tithes & Offerings may be deposited after the service in the offering box outside the sanctuary doors. Alternately, gifts can be made online at www.christchurchpresjax.org or mailed to the church office.

OFFERTORY

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, 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. Please take your place as a family unit on the designated floor markers. When the minister invites you, step up to the table to receive the bread and cup. Please consume at the table and dispose of cups in the trash receptable provided. 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.

Take My Life and Let It Be Words: Havergal | Music: Malan

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my voice, and let me sing, Always, only, for my King. Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from thee, Filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use Every power as thou shalt choose, Every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne, It shall be thy royal throne.

Blessed Assurance Words: Crosby | Music: Knapp

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Emmanuel's veins; And sinners plunged beneath the flood, lose all their guilty stains: Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains; And sinners plunged beneath the flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day; And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away: Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away; And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood shall never lose its power, 'Til all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more: Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more; 'Til all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream thy flowing wounds supply, Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die: And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

When the Lord comes down with the city of Zion, Our hearts will find comfort at last. We who've sown tears in grief will know laughter once again. All his people will shout Amen!

Chorus

"Great things he has done!", the redeemed will say. "Great things! Great things he has done!" We will come to the feast at the mountain of God, Hallelujah! He has done great things!

The rolling hills will dance, and the rivers will clap. The sea will roar when he bids death to pass. We will drink from the fountain of the everlasting God, And our thirst will be quenched! Amen!

There will be no need of the sun and moon to shine, For the glory of the Lord will give the light. The lame will stand and walk, the mute will raise their voice, And the blind will see his glorious sight!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

MINISTRY of the WEEK

LOCAL

Brian Thomas serves students on the campus of the University of Florida with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), which is the denominational college ministry of the PCA. His desire is for God's saving power to be known on the college campus and to raise up mature disciples of Jesus Christ.

INTERNATIONAL

The Cobbs have been missionaries with MTW since 1996. Since 2004, Don has been teaching New Testament and church planting at the seminary in Aix, today one of the few evangelical seminaries in Western Europe. He is also involved in church-planting facilitation through the Conseil national des Evang liques de France (CNEF). His burden is to instill in his students a vision for church planting and a desire to see God's kingdom moving forward in French-speaking Europe.

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; Abigail Waddell; Elizabeth Winings

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