



CHRIST CHURCH
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

July 19, 2020

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.

GUIDELINES *for* WORSHIP

With the spread of disease around our country, it is important for us, as a church, to be responsive to the circumstances. While we have aggressively implemented social distancing protocols and cleaning regimens, we cannot guarantee a non-compromised environment. All common areas of the church building must be used at one's own risk. Please follow these guidelines:

- In keeping with our mayor's order, face masks are required of all attendees over six years of age. If you do not have a mask, or perhaps forget to bring one, we have face coverings available in the Narthex.
- Please allow for six feet of distance between you and others not in your immediate family unit. Additionally, please refrain from physical greetings and congregating in the aisles and Narthex.
- We will not pass offering plates to collect our tithes and offerings. Rather, after the service, the offering plate will be posted as you leave, where gifts can be deposited. Also, financial gifts can always be submitted online through the website.

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

July 26 (10.30a) Worship Service
August 2 (10.30a) Worship Service

SUBSCRIBE ONLINE TO RECEIVE CHRIST CHURCH EMAILS

Connect with the life of our congregation and stay up to date with the latest news and calendar of events by subscribing to our electronic weekly newsletters. Please visit the Resources page on our website to subscribe, or email Charlotte Reeves indicating your desire be added to our distribution list.

WIGGLY TODDLERS & NURSING MOMS

As we walk through the summer months together, we believe it is safest not to offer childcare or children's ministry during services. Nursing mothers, please feel free to use the cry room upstairs designated for nursing or the downstairs Nursery. Parents who are training their children in worship are welcome to use the other designated cry room upstairs. Finally, parents with wiggly toddlers are welcome to supervise their children in the Multi-purpose room off the sanctuary (sermon audio is piped into this room). Toys will be available for children to play with in this area during the service.

TREASURER'S REPORT

After a record setting May report, we fell slightly behind in June. However, we are in solid shape half-way through the fiscal year. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and partnership in the Gospel with Christ Church!

JUNE 2020		YEAR-TO-DATE 2020	
Budget	\$65,500.00	Budget	\$393,000.00
Actual	\$47,311.20	Actual	\$392,921.12
Difference	-27.8%	Difference	-0.02%

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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

Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart! 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've been stubborn of heart, following our own counsel and forsaking your ways. Pardon our guilt, for it is great. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, cleanse us from our sins that we may walk in a manner pleasing to you by the power of your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Words: Newton | Music: Taylor

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder; he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood,
He has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,
Called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood,
He has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror's crown:
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood,
He who washed us with his blood, soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more:
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood,
He who washed us with his blood, has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus, of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky:
Thou hast washed us with thy blood; thou hast washed us with thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou art worthy Lamb of 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.*

HEAR *the* WORD of GOD

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 119.97-104, 161-168

⁹⁷ Oh how I love your law!

It is my meditation all the day.

⁹⁸ Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies,
for it is ever with me.

⁹⁹ I have more understanding than all my teachers,
for your testimonies are my meditation.

¹⁰⁰ I understand more than the aged,
for I keep your precepts.

¹⁰¹ I hold back my feet from every evil way,
in order to keep your word.

¹⁰² I do not turn aside from your rules,
for you have taught me.

¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!

¹⁰⁴ Through your precepts I get understanding;
therefore I hate every false way.

¹⁶¹ Princes persecute me without cause,
but my heart stands in awe of your words.

¹⁶² I rejoice at your word
like one who finds great spoil.

¹⁶³ I hate and abhor falsehood,
but I love your law.

¹⁶⁴ Seven times a day I praise you
for your righteous rules.

¹⁶⁵ Great peace have those who love your law;
nothing can make them stumble.

¹⁶⁶ I hope for your salvation, O Lord,

and I do your commandments.

¹⁶⁷ My soul keeps your testimonies;

I love them exceedingly.

¹⁶⁸ I keep your precepts and testimonies,

for all my ways are before you.

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

Luke 10.38-42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

After the lesson, we respond:

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Sweeter than Honey
Alec Cotton

RESPOND *to* GOD

⊕ HYMN

Be Thou My Vision
Words: Byrne | Music: Hall

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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

Shout for Joy! All Ye People!

Words: Colson | Music: Zipf

*Blessed is the man who walks in your way
Who contemplates your works throughout the day
Like a tree, planted by a stream,
Bearing fruit in season down to old age*

Chorus:

*O rejoice! Sing His praise!
Shout for joy, all ye people!
O rejoice! Sing His praise!
Come hallow His holy name!*

*Blessed is the man whose sin is washed away
Whose trespass is covered, who freely says,
"Hide your face, Lord. From my sin;
And renew a right spirit within me."*

Blessed is the man who walks in your way

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

DEPART *in* PEACE

⊕ HYMN

More Love to Thee
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,

Refrain:

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,

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise;
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise,
his still its prayer shall be,

BENEDICTION

MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

Gethsemane Garden Christian Centre (GGCC) is a Christian boarding school for HIV/AIDS orphans in Kenya, founded by Naphtaly and Nerea Mattah. Their desire is to rescue orphans and vulnerable children, provide them with hope, and to equip them with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to empower them to impact Kenya and the world for His Kingdom. The school currently serves over 725 students.

ITEMS *for* PRAYER

HEALTH CONCERNS: Branson Bishop; Sue Forsyth; Elizabeth Garnett; Anne Groh; Gar Gurganious; Hector Harima; Jay Kirk; Tim Seise

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