



CHRIST CHURCH  
— PRESBYTERIAN —

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

*Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity*

*November 8, 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, gifts can be deposited in the box labeled *Tithes & Offerings* located just outside the sanctuary doors in the Narthex. Also, financial gifts can always be submitted online through the website.

# CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

November 8 (5.30-7p)	Youth Small Groups
November 9 (6.30p)	Session Meeting
November 14 (9a-Noon)	Seamark Ranch Volunteer Day
November 14-15	Nereah Mattah (GGCC) Visit
November 15 (9a & 10.30a)	Worship Service
November 15 (5.30-7p)	Youth Small Groups
November 21 (8-9a)	Galatians 6.2 Work Day
November 21 (9a-Noon)	Men's Fellowship & Work Day
November 26-27	Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)
November 29 (9a & 10.30a)	Communion Service (Advent Begins)

## VIRTUAL SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

This fall we will provide high quality educational resources for our church through a virtual School of Discipleship. Video lectures are released for the adults every Sunday. Our children's ministry will also release a weekly video and provide families with an at home curriculum that will walk the children of Christ Church through the Ten Commandments this fall.

## ADULT SMALL GROUPS

This fall, several morning and evening Bible studies, primarily through our men's and women's ministries, are being hosted at the church. Groups meet in our multipurpose room and under the pavilion with social distancing parameters. Visit our website for more information.

## NEREA MATTAH (GGCC) VISIT

Nerea Mattah, Co-Founder and Director of Gethsemane Garden Christian Center in Kenya, will be joining us on November 14-15. Please join us on Saturday, November 14, 10a-noon, for a visit with Nerea under the pavilion at Christ Church. If you are unable to attend on Saturday, she will be joining us for worship during the 10.30a service on Sunday, November 15.

## 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 plates in the Narthex.

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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

John Lawler

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways!

**And that we may walk in his paths!**

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us! This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

**Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!”**

## INVOCATION

## HYMN

*Let's Go Up to the House of God*

*Words: Colson | Music: Zipf*

Let's go up to the house of God,  
The rock of our salvation.  
Let's bow down and worship him  
In adoration!

Chorus:

Let's go up! Let's go up!  
Let's go up to the house of God!

Let's go up to the house of God;  
Ascend his holy hill.  
Come, seek his light and his truth;  
And listen to his will.

Let's go up to the mount of God,  
A house of prayer for all;  
To pour out our hearts to him  
Who listens when we call!

Let's go up to the house of God,  
To join in the great feast;  
A bount'ous table spread for us,  
The lowly and the meek!

Let's go up to the house of God  
To plead he bring the day  
When our Savior comes again  
And calls us from our graves!

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**Almighty God, you know our folly; the wrongs we have done are not hidden from you. Like lost sheep, we've strayed from your commandments, following the devices and desires of our own hearts. We've done those things we ought not to have done and not done those things we ought to have done. For the sake of your Son, deliver us from our sins and teach us to walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊕ HYMN

*Jesus, I Come*

*Words & Music: Thompson*

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.  
Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of my sickness into thy health, out of my wanting and into thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into thyself, Jesus, I come to thee. Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm, out of life's storms and into thy calm,  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee. Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in thy love, out of despair into raptures above,  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to thee. Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of thy sheltering fold,  
Ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee. Jesus, I come to thee.

## 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 148

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!

<sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his hosts!

<sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon,

praise him, all you shining stars!

<sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD!

For he commanded and they were created.

<sup>6</sup> And he established them forever and ever;

he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth,

you great sea creatures and all deeps,

<sup>8</sup> fire and hail, snow and mist,

stormy wind fulfilling his word!

<sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars!

<sup>10</sup> Beasts and all livestock,

creeping things and flying birds!

<sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples,

princes and all rulers of the earth!

<sup>12</sup> Young men and maidens together,

old men and children!

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his majesty is above earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup> He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints,  
for the people of Israel who are near to him.  
Praise the LORD!

*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!**

## EPISTLE LESSON

Revelation 19.1-10

<sup>1</sup> After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out,

“Hallelujah!

Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,

<sup>2</sup> for his judgments are true and just;

for he has judged the great prostitute

who corrupted the earth with her immorality,

and has avenged on her the blood of his servants.”

<sup>3</sup> Once more they cried out,

“Hallelujah!

The smoke from her goes up forever and ever.”

<sup>4</sup> And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying, “Amen. Hallelujah!” <sup>5</sup> And from the throne came a voice saying,

“Praise our God,

all you his servants,

you who fear him,

small and great.”

<sup>6</sup> Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out,

“Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God

the Almighty reigns.

<sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult

and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his Bride has made herself ready;

8       it was granted her to clothe herself  
          with fine linen, bright and pure”—

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

<sup>9</sup> And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.” <sup>10</sup> Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God.” For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

*After the lesson, we respond:*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*The Supper of the Lamb*  
Chuck Colson

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## RESPOND *to* GOD

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### 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](http://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 center aisle. 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. A trash receptacle will be available as you return to your seat by the outside 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.*

## HYMN

*How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place*

*Words: Watts*

How sweet and awesome is the place  
With Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays  
The choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs  
Join to admire the feast  
Each of us cry with thankful tongues  
“Lord, why was I a guest?”

“Why was I made to hear thy voice  
And enter while there’s room  
When thousands make a wretched choice  
And rather starve than come?”

‘Twas the same love that spread the feast  
That sweetly drew us in  
Else we had still refused to taste  
And perished in our sin.



## HYMN

## *Sweet Comfort*

*Words: Phillips | Music: McCracken*

Whatever my God ordains is right  
His holy will abides  
I will be still whatever he does  
And follow where he guides

Chorus:

Sweet comfort, sweet comfort  
Yet shall fill my heart  
Sweet comfort, sweet comfort  
Sorrow shall depart

Whatever my God ordains is right  
He makes my feet to stand  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine  
He holds me in his hand

This bitter cup, I take it  
My fainting heart restored  
So here I stand, unshaken  
I trust upon the Lord

He is my God though dark my road  
He holds me, I shall not fall  
Whatever my God ordains as right  
To him I leave it all

## HYMN

*There Is A Fountain*  
*Words: Cowper | Music: Mason*

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,  
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more:  
Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more;  
Till 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.

⊕ HYMN

*Hallelujah! The Lord, Our God, Reigns!*

*Words: Colson & Zipf | Music: Zipf*

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!”

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

# MINISTRY *of the* WEEK

## LOCAL

Tommy Park and intern, Aldo Mondin serve students on the campus of the University of North Florida with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), which is the denominational college ministry of the PCA. Their desire is that RUF at UNF would be a place for skeptics and weary Christians to come face-to-face with the real Jesus.

## 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 Evangéliques 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:** Steve Beaver; Branson Bishop; Barb Day; Sue Forsyth; Elizabeth Garnett; Gar Gurganious; Hector & V'Elna Harima; Wayne Noble; Tim Seise

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