The Morning Service, eleven o'clock

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood – Revelation 1:5
† indicates the congregation standing if able • indicates seating for those detained
The prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship. Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices, and respectfully refrain from unnecessary conversation.

The Welcome ..... Mr. Jonathan McKenzie

The Prelude — Sicilenne ..... Paradis

The Introit ..... Jeffrey Bayshore

Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving
Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
Enter His courts with praise!

The Scriptural Call to Worship ..... Psalm 100:1—5

[1]Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! [2]Serve the LORD with
gladness! Come into His presence with singing! [3]Know that the LORD, He
is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the
sheep of His pasture. [4]Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts
with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! [5]For the LORD is good;
His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

The Prayer of Invocation

• † **The Hymn of Praise —** *(Family Songs, No. 54)* ..... HYMN TO JOY
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

† **The Confession of Faith** ..... The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic* Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen. *(*universal)*

† **The Gloria Patri —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 734)* ..... MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Morning Prayer ..... Mr. McKenzie

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory Anthem ..... Hal H. Hopson

The Gift of Love

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship and are freed. Amen, Amen!

(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

• † **The Hymn of Preparation —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 707)* ..... ELLESDIE
Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

(Children K4 through Grade 3 may exit for the Children's Church on the final verse)

The New Testament Reading ..... Luke 9:23—25 (Page 867)

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades,
Congregation: But the Word of our God shall stand forever. Isaiah 40:8

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon ..... Rev. Alan Martin

FOLLOWING JESUS

I. **Universal Invite** (v. 23)
II. **Ultimate Surrender** (v. 24)
III. **Unapologetic Opportunity** (v. 25)

† **The Hymn of Response —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 115)* ..... LASST UNS ERFREUEN
All Creatures of Our God and King

† **The Benediction** ..... Rev. Martin

The Postlude — Christ, All Victorious ..... Burton

The Evening Service, six o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit – Ephesians 2:22
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The Prelude — O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus ..... arr. Mark Hayes
John L. Wilson, piano

The Welcome ..... Mr. Jonathan McKenzie

The Scriptural Call to Worship ..... Hebrews 13:22—24

[22]I appeal to you, brothers, bear with my word of exhortation, for I
have written to you briefly. [23]You should know that our brother Tim-
othy has been released, with whom I shall see you if he comes soon.
[24]Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those who come from Italy
send you greetings.

The Prayer of Invocation

• † **The Hymn of Praise —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 170)* ..... CRUSADER'S HYMN
Fairest Lord Jesus

The Evening Prayer ..... Mr. McKenzie

The Offering & The Offertory ..... arr. Mark Hayes
It Is Well with My Soul

• † **The Hymn of Preparation —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 642)* ..... SLANE
Be Thou My Vision

(Children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for Children's Choir on the final verse.)

The New Testament Reading ..... Colossians 3:1—17 (Page 984)

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades,
Congregation: But the Word of our God shall stand forever. Isaiah 40:8

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon ..... Rev. Jeff Dillard

SET YOUR MINDS ON CHRIST

I. **The Lord Jesus has Secured Our New Identity**
II. **So, He Calls Us to Put Our Old Selves to Death**
III. **And He Calls Us to Practice Our New Identity**

† **The Hymn of Response —** *(Trinity Hymnal, No. 644)* ..... ST. LEONARDS
May the Mind of Christ My Savior

† **The Benediction** ..... Rev. Dillard

The Postlude — Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ..... arr. Chris Rice

All of this and more can be found at *myccp.faith*
Announcements

Wednesday Dinner and Bible Study — The menu this week is sandwiches, chips, and cookies. Please make a reservation for dinner using the Friendship Register or on the church website, *myccp.faith* under the events tab by Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

Men's Bible Study — Please join us on Saturday, October 3 at 7:00 a.m. as we continue our study of the book, *Disciplines of a Godly Man*. Breakfast will be provided. Please RSVP on the website https://www.christchurchpres.org/events or call the church office.

Sanctuary Flowers — If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one, please visit the Welcome Table in the narthex and sign up on the Flower Calendar form. Close to the date of your flowers, Yvonne Clark will contact you regarding the arrangement and Donna Sherman will contact you for the wording that will be presented in the bulletin.

Churchwide Emails — If you are not receiving the "This Week at Christ Church" email and others sent out by the church and you would like to, please call the office at (706)210–9090 or email Donna at dsherman@christchurchpres.org.

Mark Your Calendars

- ⇒ **Men's Bible Study** — October 3
- ⇒ **Sacrament of Holy Communion** — October 4
- ⇒ **Fellowship Luncheon** — October 11
- ⇒ **Art on Southern Pines** — October 24
- ⇒ **Fall Festival** — November 4
- ⇒ **Thanksgiving Service** — November 22 at 6:00 p.m.

Missionary Prayer Focus This Week

Jews for Jesus

Please pray that God would continue to use them to communicate
the message that Jesus is the Messiah in cities
with major Jewish populations worldwide.

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 56. What is the reason for the third commandment?
A. The reason for the third commandment is that the Lord our God will not allow those who break this commandment to escape His righteous judgement, although they may escape punishment from men.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

"Do this in remembrance of Me." Luke 22:19

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is a means of grace instituted by our Lord to commemorate His death and to commune with Him for the nourishment of our souls and the strengthening of His body. We will observe the sacrament during morning worship on Sunday, October 4. The leaders of Christ Church strongly encourage Christ Church, Presbyterian members to make plans and preparation to be present and partake of this wonderful means of grace.

This Week at Christ Church

Week of September 27 — October 3

SUNDAY, September 27
6:00 a.m. ..... WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio, and wgac.com Broadcasts
7:00 a.m. ..... WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio, and wgac.com Broadcasts
9:45 a.m. ..... Sunday School ..... Assigned Locations
Nursery I (Birth–23 mos.) ..... Nursery I
Nursery II (24–47 mos.) ..... Children's Building
K4 through Grade 5 ..... Children's Building
Grades 6–12 ..... Youth Building
Adult ..... Various Locations
11:00 a.m. ..... Morning Worship ..... Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. ..... AYC Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. ..... Ladies Online Prayer Group
Maria Russell (*edmarman@gmail.com*; *706-726-1703*)
6:00 p.m. ..... Evening Worship ..... Sanctuary
TUESDAY, September 29
6:30 p.m. ..... Young Adult Bible Study ..... Children's Building
7:00 p.m. ..... Augusta Bible Study ..... Moncrief Home
WEDNESDAY, September 30
5:30 p.m. ..... Fellowship Dinner ..... Covenant Hall
6:00 p.m. ..... Children & Youth Activities ..... Assigned Locations
6:00 p.m. ..... Adult Bible Study ..... Covenant Hall
7:00 p.m. ..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary
THURSDAY, October 1
7:30 p.m. ..... Ladies Online Prayer Group
FRIDAY, October 2
7:00 a.m. ..... Men's Prayer ..... Church Office
10:00 a.m. ..... Ladies Friday Bible Study ..... Covenant Hall
SATURDAY, October 3
7:00 a.m. ..... Men's Bible Study ..... Covenant Hall

Assisting in the Services

The elder greeting at the doors before this morning's service is Charles McClure.

Ushers are Rick Rezzelle, Tommy Samuels & Ken Lynch; security is Jon Kunze.

The Deacon on Duty is Gene Gojda (wearing a red rose).

The elder greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be Rick Rezzelle.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Ed Russell, Gene Gojda & Campbell Bailey.

The Deacon on Duty next week will be Jon Kunze; security will be Hank Adam Gautreaux.

Current Officers With Class Year

Elders

Johan Hubenthal (2026) — *Charles McClure (2027)* — *Joe Beasley (2028)*

Deacons

Lee Carter (2026) — *Dan Campbell (2027)* — *Ken Lynch (2027)*
Hank Gautreaux (2026) — *Gene Gojda (2027)* — *Richard Turner (2027)*
Davis Mellick (2026) — *John Kunze (2027)* — *Ed Russell (2028)*

Christ Church, Presbyterian

The Lord's Day, September 27, 2026

Gathering in Worship · Growing in Walk · Going in Witness

"If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me."
Luke 9:23

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us in worship today. It is our desire that, as prayers are raised, hymns and anthems are sung, and God's Word is proclaimed, our worship will bring glory to God and gladness to His people. Indeed, we pray that you will personally be blessed by the corporate worship of the Triune God and return to worship with us next Lord's Day. If you would like to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member, or, most importantly, how to have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, please contact the church office to meet with or talk to a pastor.

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