CHRIST CHURCH of LONGBOAT KEY
WORKSHEET

Date and Name of Day: October 18, 2026 ***"GROWING IN PRAYER"*** **Series**
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Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

Prelude Chris Westfall,Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"* K. Medima

Call to Worship (from Psalm 118)
One: This is the day that the Lord has made;
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
One: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
All: You are my God, I will extol you.
One: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
All: For his steadfast love endures forever.

*** Hymn** #464 *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

Confession and Forgiveness
Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Gracious and loving God, you invite us to draw near to you in prayer, resting in your presence, yet we confess that we do not always turn to you in prayer. We become distracted by the demands of daily life, overwhelmed by our worries, or forgetful of our need for you. Forgive us, O Lord, for these and other ways we turn from you. Renew in us a spirit of prayer that shapes our hearts, guides our actions, and deepens our love for our neighbors. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray and showed us the way of faithful love. Amen.
(a time for silent confession)
Assurance of Forgiveness
*** Congregational Response** (#223)
O my soul, bless your Redeemer;
All within me bless God's name;
Bless the Savior, and forget not
All God's mercies to proclaim.

Prayer for Illumination Vilia Johnson

First Scripture Reading Genesis 24:12-14
Please make this edit to the beginning of v12: "And [Abraham's servant] said, …"

Second Scripture Reading Psalm 135:1-3, 13-14

Anthem *“”*

Third Scripture Reading Acts 4:24-31

Sermon “A Doorway and a Silence” Dr. Piermont
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*** Hymn** #459 *“Father, We Praise Thee”*

*** Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed (Ecumenical Version) Hymnal p. 14

Offering
Call for the Offering
Offertory
*** Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH traditional rhythm (#591)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
*** Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Offerings**

Prayers of the People
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer (“debts” and “debtors”)

*** Hymn** (on screen) “As the Deer” we last sang this on 10/19/25

*** Benediction**

Choral Response

Postlude

