

STAY IN TOUCH - WHERE TO TURN TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR MINISTRIES . . .

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*"Authority is not given to you to, steward, to deny the return of the king."
 - JRR Tolkien, Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*

*"You can safely assume you've created God in your own image when it turns out that God
 hates all the same people you do."
 - Ann Lamott*

*"A donkey appears to me like a horse translated into Dutch."
 - George C Lichtenberg*

CHURCH HOURS

Monday - Thursday
 8:00 - 5:00 PM

OFFICE SECRETARY HOURS

Wednesday & Thursday
 8:00 - 12:00 PM



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Contact Form:

If we can serve you in any of the following ways, please complete or update the contact information, select the applicable boxes and return this slip in the offering plate. It is a joy to worship with you!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cellphone: _____

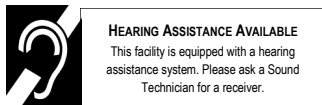
I would like to:

- learn more about Christ Community
- talk with someone about membership
- be added to the weekly email updates on the life of the church
- understand more about knowing Jesus
- talk with someone about:
- request prayer for:

WELCOME TO *CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH*

Presbyterian Church in America

"For God's glory, to make and deploy mature and equipped disciples of Jesus Christ."



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 14, 2019
8:30 & 11:00 AM

WELCOME! Whether you are a visitor or a member, it is a joy to worship our Lord Jesus Christ with you this morning. Please consider participating in our Sunday School hour and Community Groups throughout the week as well. If you would like more information on Christ Community Church, please return the contact form on the back of this bulletin in the offering plate. Prepare yourself now for the highest calling of the people of God which is the worship of God in spirit and in truth. (John 4:24)

REGARDING CHILDREN IN WORSHIP - We believe it is right and good for children of all ages to be with the adult community in worship. Please do not hesitate to keep your child with you. We do offer a children's church for ages 3 - 5 years during both services if that would serve you in preparing them further to sit in worship. You can take them to Room 2 during the song prior to the sermon.

Please silence your cell phones.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEARING FROM THE SAVIOR

CALL TO WORSHIP - ZECHARIAH 9:9-10

PASTOR: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

CONGREGATION: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

PASTOR: Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he,

CONGREGATION: Humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

PASTOR: I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem;

CONGREGATION: And the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations;

PASTOR: His rule shall be from sea to sea,

CONGREGATION: And from the River to the ends of the earth.

At a Glance . . . APRIL - and beyond -

While this page contains a few specific notes regarding the life of the church, our Weekly Updates and prayer emails are the most comprehensive avenues of communication. If you would like to receive those, please give us your email using the tear-off section on the back page. For those with no internet or email access, you can find a hard copy in the atrium.

We celebrate the Lord's Supper on the **FIRST** Sunday of each month. (Our bread is gluten free.)

Food offerings of non-perishable items are welcome on the **FIRST** Sunday of each month and will be distributed to local food agencies who serve those in need.

Care for the elderly at Patewood Rehab & Healthcare Center (2 Griffith Road, Greenville) on the **THIRD** Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDARS:

April 17	6:00 PM	Ladies' Dinner Out at Cheddar's (Woodruff Road)
April 18	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service at the church
April 21	EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE	
	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:45 AM	Fellowship Time (NO Sunday School)
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
April 24	6:00 PM	Family Fellowship Dinner at the church
May 14	7:30 PM	Women's Monthly Journey Group at the church
May 22	6:00 PM	Family Fellowship Dinner at the church
June 17-21	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	VBS at the church

MERCY MINISTRY GIVING

Our One Fund budgets for mercy ministry. You do not need to 'ear mark' mercy funding gifts any longer. Any who typically gave above and beyond to the fund are asked to simply add that amount to their regular giving. We will make appeals for designated giving only when specific needs arise that are beyond our budget.

MANAGE YOUR GIVING AT CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

We want to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a convenient way to automate your weekly giving. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual's and provides much-needed consistency for our church's budget. Go to www.christcommunitychurchonline.org to set up an automatic donation plan, to change your donation plan, or to make a one-time special gift. You can also view your online giving history.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Please note that the **MARCH, 2019** report of CCC finances is available for members on the Resource Shelves.

THE MINISTRIES OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

In addition to our Corporate Worship gathering, we offer the following ministries to cultivate mission and community.
We hope you will be a part.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES & SEMINARS (Sunday's at 10:00 AM)

<u>Children's and Youth Sunday School</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Nursery	Nursery	Nursery Coordinator, Rhonda Carpenter
Toddler (2-3 year olds)	Room 1	Rachel Beeson & Lauren Lunsford
K4 - K5	Room 2	Suzanne Sanders
1 st - 3 rd Grades	Room 3	Susan MacCrossan
4 th - 5 th Grades	Room 4	Jeanne Sowder
6 th - 12 th Grades	Youth Room	Jim Perry

Adult Discipleship Seminar - Spring Semester, 2019

The Gospel of John (Part 2)	Room 7	Steve Britton & Randy Gordon
The Parables of Jesus	Room 8	Dale Olsen
Pattern of Discipleship	Room 9	Rev. Roger Sowder
Affirming the Apostles' Creed	Sanctuary	Rick Heiser
Foundations	Room 6	Rev. Paul Sanders

WEEKDAY DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MENS BIBLE STUDY GROUPS - In depth study of God's Word
Tuesday (7:30 AM) Contact Cal Gilvin (864-901-4744) / Thursday (9:30 AM) Contact Bill Turek - 864-915-3737

THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP (9:30 AM) - In depth study of God's Word.
Contact Jan Bass - 864-607-2454

THURSDAY MENTOR GROUPS FOR WOMEN: Life on Life Discipleship and Mentoring
Mentor Moms - (9:30 AM) / Redeemed Women (7:00 PM) Contact Kathy Doherty - 864-630-9074

LIFE-ON-LIFE JOURNEY GROUPS - Small group life discipleship for men and women
Contact the pastoral staff for information

COMMUNITY GROUPS

FELLOWSHIP and SHEPHERDING GROUPS

These groups aim to foster deeper interpersonal relationships within the church through the application of biblical truth, prayer, and shared mission. Because the groups meet at various locations and times during the week, you are encouraged to contact individual group leaders for details about their group. Contact information for leaders and meeting place locations can be found on the display board in the church lobby.

YOUTH GROUPS

Middle School Youth meet on most Sunday's at 5:30 PM and Senior High Youth meet on most Tuesday's at 7:30 PM.
Contact Jim Perry for more details at 864-449-5609.

PRAYER GROUPS

In addition to consistent prayer at our Community Groups, there are two intercessory prayer groups open to all.

- 'In 7 @ 7' gathers each Tuesday at the church in Room 7 at 7:00 PM.
- 'Interceding for Worship' group meets each Sunday at 8:30 in the Library.

RESPONDING TO THE SAVIOR

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE - *The Hosanna Song*

Children's Choir

SONG OF PRAISE - *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

SILENT CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HEARING FROM THE SAVIOR

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - 1 JOHN 1:9

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

RESPONDING TO THE SAVIOR

SONG OF PARDONING GRACE - *Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - PSALM 118:14-29

"¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. ¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly, ¹⁶ the right hand of the Lord exalts, he right hand of the Lord does valiantly!" ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. ¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death. ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵ Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success! ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord. ²⁷ The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. ²⁹ Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! "

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM (QUESTIONS 23 & 26)

LEADER: What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

CONGREGATION: Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

CONGREGATION: Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

SONG OF PREPARATION - *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

HEARING FROM THE SAVIOR

Week after week we proclaim the Bible because we are convinced it is the inspired, infallible and inerrant Word of God. That means that it comes to us from God, so, it is true in everything that it claims. Therefore, you can trust it with all of your heart and it will not let you down.

PREACHING OF THE WORD

KING JESUS IS COMING Matthew 21:1-11

Rev. Jason Cornwell

"Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, ⁵"Say to the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."¹¹

RESPONDING TO THE SAVIOR

SONG OF RESPONSE - *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

HEARING FROM THE SAVIOR

BENEDICTION - 2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all".

There is a time of prayer in Room 7 during the 8:30 AM service open to all who would like to participate. Come experience and be a part of this work of prayer. We are seeking the Lord to impact His people greatly through worship. If you participate, please stay for the 11:00 AM worship service for your good and God's glory!

SERMON QUESTIONS FOR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

KING JESUS IS COMING

Matthew 21:1-11

1. What does Matthew 21 reveal about God?
2. What would the original audience thought about Jesus' riding in on a donkey?
3. How does Matthew 21 affect the way you pray?
4. Spend time talking through how "Jesus is King" affects your particular vocation
5. Spend time praying for one another, specifically during Holy Week

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR NOTES:

LYRICS FOR TODAY

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

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For many people, Maundy Thursday services, may seem to be a fairly recent innovation. We've always celebrated Easter together. And many churches and communities have gathered to remember Christ's death on Good Friday. But Maundy Thursday is something new to most of us.

Not so in the wider Christian community. The celebration of Maundy Thursday goes back at least to the fourth century, when pilgrims on their way to Jerusalem are known to have marked the Last Supper and other events of passion week with special services at holy sites. Maundy is referring to the "new commandment" of love recorded in John 14. Maundy is an English corruption, via French, of the Latin *mandatum* or "commandment").

Various traditions know the day by different names: Holy Thursday, Great Thursday, Green Thursday. In the Middle Ages Christians officially called the day the "Thursday of the Lord's Supper," and this ancient designation is still the most descriptive. The central focus of Maundy Thursday worship has always been the upper room, where Jesus on the night of his arrest, sat at the table with his disciples and instituted a solemn memorial of his new covenant through the broken bread and shared cup of his supper.

Maundy Thursday, therefore, ranks among the richest and most complex of the Christian celebrations. As the climax of the old Passover tradition, the Last Supper recalls the exodus and other past signs of God's covenant faithfulness. As a prelude to the Easter drama, the service not only anticipates Gethsemane and Golgotha but also looks beyond them in expectation to the empty tomb and the great heavenly banquet of the Lamb (cf. Matt. 26:29).

Whatever the specific means employed in celebrating the Maundy Thursday service, the watchword should be simplicity - a simplicity of celebration that respects, and so enhances, the intrinsic power and richness of the great event we are privileged to commemorate.

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present:
To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Chorus

*Hail to the Lord’s Anointed, great David’s greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!
His reign on earth begun!*

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
To take away transgression and rule in equity.

Chorus

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turned to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

Chorus

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.
The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever, that name to us is Love.

Chorus

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Chorus

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
when He had purged our stains, He took His seat above.

Chorus

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o’er earth and heav’n;
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n.

Chorus

He sits at God’s right hand till all His foes submit,
and bow to His command, and fall beneath His feet.

Chorus

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
and take His servants up to their eternal home.

Chorus

“Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me”

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his.

Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken. For by my side, the Saviour He will stay.

I labour on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley He will lead.

Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven. The future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea.

Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus. For He has said that He will bring me home.

And day by day I know He will renew me, until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to Him.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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