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CHRIST
COMMUNITY
CHURCH

WELCOME

We are glad you chose to worship with us today. No matter what your previous experience with church may be, it is our hope that today's service will be a fresh encounter with God's love and power for your life. This folder will guide you as we worship together. Welcome to Christ Community Church.

VISION

Why do we exist?

To join Christ in his renewal of all things.

MISSION

How is our mission realized?

Love God, Love People, Love Gainesville.

Luke 10:27

27 And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

John 13:34-35

34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Youth

If you have middle school or high school kids that want to get connected, contact Jason Peters at jpeters@christcommunitychurch.com.

Children

If you have children that are elementary age or younger and want to get connected, contact Alysa Traylor at kids@christcommunitychurch.com.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021

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**Please silence your cell phones at this time.*

CCC-Guest WiFi Password: Matthew7:7

10:45 am - Worship

Call to Worship - Psalm 103:1-7

**UNISON: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity,

who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit,

who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**UNISON: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are
oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the
people of Israel.**

O Come to the Altar

Words & Music: Christopher Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, and Wade Joye, 2016.

Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?

Jesus is calling.

Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?

Jesus is calling.

Refrain:

O come to the altar;

The father's arms are open wide.

Forgiveness was bought with

The precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes;

Come today, there's no reason to wait.

Jesus is calling.

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy;

From the ashes a new life is born.

Jesus is calling

Oh what a Savior,
Isn't he wonderful?
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all.
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found.

Before the Throne of God Above

Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1853. Music: Vikki Cook, 1997.

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea
A great high priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on his hands; my name is written on his heart
I know that while in heaven he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see him there, who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free
For God the just is satisfied, to look on him and pardon me
To look on him and pardon me

Behold him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace
One with himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

Prayer of Invocation

Confession

UNISON: Oh God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers as we confess our particular sins.

Comfort - Hebrews 12:1-2

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

In Christ Alone

Words & Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2001.

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light my strength my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace;
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all;
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe;
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again.
And as he stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am his, and he is mine;
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life no fear in death;
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from his hand.
Till he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand

This Is My Father's World

Words: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901. Music: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915.

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heav'n be one.

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Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heav'n be one.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come,
Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Dismissal to Children's Church

*All children K-3rd grade are welcome to join us in children's church today during the sermon.
Youth helpers can check in at the children's desk for a volunteer slot.*

Tithes & Offerings:

*The offering is a time to not only give of your possessions but also to give yourself to God.
Use this time to reflect, meditate and respond to what God is doing in your life.*

Doxology

Thomas Ken, 1674.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Teaching Text: Galatians 6:11-18

¹¹ See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh.

¹⁴ But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶ And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

¹⁷ From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

UNISON: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Far Be It From Me

Jason Peters

Grace Alone

Words & Music: Dustin Kensrue, 2013.

I was an orphan lost at the fall
Running away when I'd hear you call
But Father you worked your will
I had no righteousness of my own
I had no right to draw near your throne
But Father you loved me still

*And in love before you laid the world's foundation
You predestined to adopt me as your own
You have raised me up so high above my station
I'm a child of God by grace and grace alone*

You left your home to seek out the lost
You knew the great and terrible cost
But Jesus your face was set
I worked my fingers down to the bone
But nothing I did could ever atone
But Jesus you paid my debt

*By Your blood I have redemption and salvation
Lord you died that I might reap what you have sown
And you rose that I might be a new creation
I am born again by grace and grace alone*

I was in darkness all of my life
I never knew the day from the night
But Spirit you made me see
I swore I knew the way on my own
Head full of rocks a heart made of stone
But Spirit you moved in me

*And at your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened
On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone
Called into a kingdom that cannot be shaken
Heaven's citizen by grace and grace alone*

So I'll stand in faith by grace and grace alone
I will run the race by grace and grace alone
I will slay my sin by grace and grace alone
I will reach the end by grace and grace alone

Benediction

Dismissed with God's Blessing

HAVE YOU MOVED?

If your mailing address and/or other contact information has recently changed, please contact info@christcommunitychurch.com.

We will be sending out 2020 Annual Giving Statements in January and want to be sure our records are up to date.

As a reminder, IRS regulations require year end gifts to be received or postmarked by December 31st.

**We will go back to two worship services beginning
January 10th, at 9 am and 10:45 am.**

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Please drop this card in the offering basket as it comes by you. We would love to help you get connected at Christ Community!

Tell us about yourself!

Check the box that applies to you

- Local Guest
- Member/Regular Attendee
- Out of Town Guest

How can you get connected?

I would like more information about...

- Children's Ministries
- Community Groups
- Joining the Church
- Church Events
- Youth
- College
- Men's/Women's Ministry
- Local Missions/Service
- Music and Tech

Please provide us with your information so we may contact you with further details.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I want to receive weekly emails.

