

Welcome!

We welcome you in the name of Christ! Our website ChristCentralPCA.org offers a lot of helpful information about our church family. For questions or to share a prayer concern, call the office at 813-774-3881, ext. 700 or email us at church@ChristCentralPCA.org.

Here are some things that might be helpful to you:

- The Welcome Center is located in the lobby. If you are a first-time guest, we would love to meet you.
- Please join us for coffee and conversation in the lobby immediately after the worship service.
- We have bible study / Sunday school classes for all ages. You can find the time, topic, and location for each class at the Welcome Center.
- We have a clean, efficient and safe nursery available for infants and toddlers in the education wing of the church. We also have a cry room in the back of the sanctuary, so please feel free to use it when needed.
- As part of the covenant community, children are invited to participate in worship. We also offer a ***Children's Worship*** program during the sermon for children ages K4 through 2nd grade in Room 5. The children are dismissed during the singing of the Doxology by walking to the back of the sanctuary and following the Children's Worship leader out.

Order for the Divine Service of Worship

September 9, 2018 - 9:30 AM

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

When Morning Gilds the Skies
Arr. Victor Labeaske

Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord

Welcome & Announcements

****Call to Worship** *(Please Stand)*

Psalm 24:7-10

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

People: **Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty-- he is the King of glory.**

***Hymn**

Come, Thou Almighty King
Hymn #101

****The Invocation**

****The Apostles' Creed**

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come 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 Gloria Patri**

Hymn # 734

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, Amen.

The First Scripture Lesson

With my voice I cry out to the LORD; with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD. ²I pour out my complaint before him; I tell my trouble before him. ³When my spirit faints within me, you know my way! In the path where I walk they have hidden a trap for me. ⁴Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice of me; no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul. ⁵I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." ⁶Attend to my cry, for I am brought very low! Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are too strong for me! ⁷Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name! The righteous will surround me, for you will deal bountifully with me.

Psalm 142 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Confession of Our Sins

“Jesus, for your name sake, do that which your name proclaims. Jesus, pardon the pride that pains you and look upon the unhappy one that calls upon your tender name—name of comfort, name of delight, and to sinners, name of blessed hope. For what does your name mean, Jesus, but Savior? Therefore, for your name’s sake, be to me, Jesus, a merciful Savior. Amen”

--Prayer of St. Augustine

The Assurance of Pardon

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst.

1 Timothy 1:15

The Choral Response

Threefold Amen

The Second Scripture Lesson

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:1-10 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

The Pastoral Prayer & 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 Anthem

*With a Voice of Singing
Martin Shaw*

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard,
Alleluia.

Declare ye this this, and let it be heard, Alleluia. Utter it even
unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people,
Alleluia. The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.

O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of
his name, make his praise to be glorious.

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard,
Alleluia. Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia. Alleluia.
Declare ye this, and let it be heard Alleluia.

The Third Scripture Lesson

They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. ² And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ³ He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, ⁴ for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. ⁶ And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. ⁷ And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." ⁸ For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" ⁹ And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." ¹⁰ And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. ¹¹ Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside,

(Continued...)

¹²and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." ¹³So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea. ¹⁴The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. ¹⁵And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ¹⁶And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. ¹⁷And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. ¹⁸As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. ¹⁹And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." ²⁰And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

Mark 5:1-20 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

****The Offertory Hymn**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
Hymn #296

****Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

The Offertory

Bist Du Bei Mir (When You Are Near Me)
J. S. Bach/Lani Smith

****The Doxology**

Hymn # 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children K4 - 2nd Grades may be dismissed to Children's Worship in Rm. 5

The Message *Mark 5:1-20*
Rev. John K. Keen
Senior Pastor

****Hymn**

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting
Hymn #188

****Benediction**

Postlude

Hornpipe
G. F. Handel

***All who are able, please stand*

**Unless specified, all Scriptures texts are from the NIV-1984*

Announcements

A Note of Thanks!

As you may know, church member Glee Hamilton is back home after suffering a stroke last December. She is doing well and continues to strengthen. Both Don and Glee would like to express gratitude for all the love, care, visits, cards and prayers they have benefited from of the past nine months. Having their church family walk through this ordeal with them makes a great deal of difference. Thank you!

ESL Childcare Ministry

Last year's ESL ministry to our neighbors was a great success! Did you know that many of the adults attending this ministry bring their children (ages 2-12) to our church? We are equipped to offer childcare for the younger children (ages 2-6). However, we want to increase our ability to minister to the older children, between the ages of 7-12, who are usually very proficient in English.

This is a great opportunity for us to engage our community in the same way we would for VBS or a Backyard Bible Club! We are looking for another volunteer to help facilitate a Backyard Bible Club-like program for the 10 weeks of our Fall ESL ministry. Your role will be to assist with a turn-key program. Students in middle and high school would be great helpers too! (High school students...what a great opportunity to gain service hours for those college applications!)

Please email [Jamie Dalton](mailto:realdaltongang@gmail.com) (realdaltongang@gmail.com) by September 14 if you are willing to serve our neighbors!

ESL Training

September 15th
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

This will be a re-train refresher for those who participated in our ESL ministry earlier this year. It will also be a great introduction and orientation for new volunteers! **There may be a small cost for materials. Please RSVP by marking your Connection Card or emailing the church office at church@christcentralpca.org.*

Church Work Day

The deacons have planned a church workday for **Saturday, September 22** from 9:00 am – noon. The work will mostly be yard work – clearing of low lying tree limbs and picking up debris and some painting.

Covered Dish Luncheon

Please mark your calendars for a covered dish luncheon to be held on **Sunday, September 30** immediately following Sunday school. More details will be forthcoming.

This Week at Christ Central

September 9 – September 15

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:30 am
Coffee and Conversation, 10:30 am
Sunday School, 11:00 am
MS/HS Large Group Meeting, 5:30 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- FRIDAY:** Senior Covenant Group, (Room 16), 10:00 am
- SATURDAY:** ESL Training, 9:00 am

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-5 / K4/K5	Therese McKenzie	3
Ages 6-8 / 1 st - 2 nd Grades	Tami Lang	5
Ages 9-11 / 3 rd - 5 th Grades	Kelly Fernandez	8
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Danny Dalton	Rio Center
High School / 9 th -12 th Grade	Steve Pothoven & Daniel Lang	Rio Center
Adult - A King After God's Own Heart	Bryan Toenes	13
Adult - Exploring How to Grow as a Disciple	Luis Salgado	15
First Presbyterian Church of Tampa Bay - Apostles' Creed	Rev. Jofre Santiago (Portuguese)	12
Exploring Church Membership	Randy Johnson	14

CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 109
Last Sunday's Offering: \$10,670.85

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have. 2 Cor. 8:12

Volunteers

Greeters / Ordained Officer

	<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	Darby White Brian Armstrong	Andy Thomson Scott Hickerson
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Brian Waugh	Stephen White
<u><i>Communion Set-up:</i></u>	Judy Wildeboer	Randy Johnson

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>	<i>Rebecca Armstrong</i>
<i>Sept. 16:</i>	<i>Deana Johnson</i>	<i>Ashley Johnson</i>
<i>Sept. 23:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>	<i>Emily Strickland</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Sept. 16:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>
<i>Sept. 23:</i>	<i>Ginny Bremer</i>

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>
<i>Sept. 16:</i>	<i>Raquel Fernandez</i>
<i>Sept. 23:</i>	<i>Tami Lang</i>

Fellowship Snacks

Next Week September 16:	Sept. 23:
<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	<i>Loretta Salgado</i>
<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>Glenda Williams</i>
<i>Kelly Melendi</i>	<i>Therese McKenzie</i>
<i>Joan Hacquebord</i>	<i>Jane Lambers</i>