

# *Welcome!*

We welcome you in the name of Christ! Our website [ChristCentralPCA.org](http://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](mailto: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*

*March 3, 2019 - 9:30 AM*

*Last Sunday after the Epiphany*

## **Prelude**

*Air from "Water Music" in G  
G.F. Handel*

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

## **Welcome**

*Please fill out the Connection Card found in the chair pocket in front of you.*

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

*Psalm 92:1-5*

Leader: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High,

People: to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night,

Leader: to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

People: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands.

All: How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts!

## **\*\*Hymn**

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord  
Hymn #353

## **\*\*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**

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; <sup>2</sup>it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. <sup>3</sup>Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. <sup>4</sup>Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you. <sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; <sup>6</sup>then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; <sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. <sup>8</sup>And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray. <sup>9</sup>No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there.

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<sup>10</sup> And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isaiah 35 ESV

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

## The Confession of Our Sins

“Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; Through Jesus Christ your Son, Amen.”

Book of Common Worship, John Knox Press, 1993

## Assurance of Pardon

<sup>3</sup>For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. <sup>4</sup>But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup>he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,

Titus 3:3-5

## Choral Response

*Threefold Amen*

## The Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died;

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<sup>15</sup> and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. <sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:11-17 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

*What Grace is Mine*  
Arr. Tom Fettke

What grace is mine that He who dwells in endless night called through the night to find my distant soul. And from His scars poured mercy that would plead for me that I might live and in His name be known. So I will go whatever He is calling me. I lose my life to find my life in Him. I give my all to gain the hope that never, never dies. I bow my heart, take up my cross and follow Him.

What grace is mine to know His breath alive in me. Beneath His wings my wakened soul may soar, my wakened soul may soar. All fear can flee for death's dark night is overcome. My Savior lives and reigns forevermore!

So I will go wherever He is calling me. I lose my life to find my life in Him. I give my all to gain the hope that never, never dies. I bow my heart, take up my cross and follow Him. I bow my heart, and follow Him. I bow my heart, and follow Him. I'll follow Him.

## The Third Scripture Lesson

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just." <sup>15</sup> When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" <sup>16</sup> But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. <sup>17</sup> And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' <sup>18</sup> But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' <sup>19</sup> And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' <sup>20</sup> And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' <sup>21</sup> So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' <sup>22</sup> And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' <sup>23</sup> And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. <sup>24</sup> For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

Luke 14:12-24 ESV

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

## \*\*The Offertory Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus  
Hymn #170

## \*\*Offertory Prayer of Dedication

## The Offertory

*Milford*

*John Stephenson/Andrew Guarrine*

## **\*\*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 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades may be dismissed to Children's Worship in Rm. 5*

## **The Message**

*John K. Keen  
Senior Pastor*

## **\*\*Hymn**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymn #252

(v. 1,2)

## **The Words of Institution & The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*Wine is served in the outer most ring of the tray; Grape juice in the inner rings.  
Communion bread is gluten-free.*

## **\*\*Hymn**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymn #252

(v. 3,4)

## **\*\*Benediction**

## **Announcements**

*Please be seated*

## **Postlude**

*Toccata in F  
Dietrich Buxtehude*

*\*\*All who are able, please stand*

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

## *Announcements*

### **Spring Picnic**

This year, our annual spring picnic will be held on **Sunday evening, March 17th** from **5:00 - 7:30 pm**. There will be a bounce house for the kids and CCPC will provide hamburgers/hotdogs (and the trimmings) and drinks; *you are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.*

**RSVP by March 10<sup>th</sup> if you are attending:** Indicate your RSVP on the connection card or via email at church@christcentralpca.org.

#### **Volunteers are needed in the following areas:**

- Grilling - 2 volunteers need
- Food Preparation (Start at 4:00 pm) Need 2 volunteers
- Table Set-up (Start at 4:00 pm) - Need 4 volunteers
- Bounce House Attendants (Need 8 helpers, 20 min. shifts)
- Table Breakdown/Clean up (post-event) - Need 4 volunteers

If you can help, please contact Lisa Johnson.

### **Middle & High School Beach Retreat**

April 5-7, 2019

- Registration fliers available on the Welcome Desk and in Calvin's Crib
- Early Registration deadline is **TODAY**
- Registration deadline is March 17



## High School Mission Experience – Chattanooga

June 8-15, 2019

Please pray for our Mission Team as we begin preparations for this eight-day experience in *leadership development, spiritual growth, Christian community development* and *evangelism*. This short-term mission trip's purpose is to become students of Christian Community Development and to minister through work projects and Bible clubs. Our prayer is that our high school students will emerge from this experience with a clearer picture of urban poverty, a deeper love for the Lord Jesus, and a louder call to serve God's kingdom.

### Upcoming Fundraiser opportunities:

- **Fundraising Lunch - April 14**
- **Church Yard Sale - April 27**

Want to donate items for our Yard Sale? All proceeds will go towards our High School mission experience in Chattanooga this summer. Stephanie Williams will also be receiving items on Sunday mornings during the coffee & conversation time.

You can call or email her to arrange. Her email is [stephwtampa@yahoo.com](mailto:stephwtampa@yahoo.com) her phone is 813-841-5197.

Alternate drop off times can be arranged by contacting the church office. Thank you!

*This Week at Christ Central*

*March 3 – March 9*

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:30 am  
Coffee and Conversation, 10:30 am  
Sunday School, 11:00 am  
MS/HS Large Group Meeting (Rio Center),  
5:30 pm
- TUESDAY:** Ladies Bible Study (Room 15), 10:00 am
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY:** English as a Second Language (ESL) Ministry,  
7:00 pm
- FRIDAY:** Senior Covenant Group (Room 16), 10:00 am

*March Birthdays & Anniversaries*

*Birthdays*

## *Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children*

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-5 / K4/K5	Jane Lambers	3
Ages 6-8 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grades	Maureen Thomson	5
Ages 9-11 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Laura Strickland	8
Middle School / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Steve Pothoven	Rio Center
High School / 9th -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	Rio Center
Adult - Gospel of Luke	Bryan Toenes	13
Adult - Exploring The Psalms	Ben Lambers	15
First Presbyterian Church of Tampa Bay - Apostles' Creed	Rev. Jofre Santiago (Portuguese)	12

### **CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 108

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 9,973.23

*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>March</u>	<u>April</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	Darby White Servy Fernandez	Brian Armstrong
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Steve White	Bill Cutler
<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>Mar. 3:</i>	<i>Jane Lambers</i>	<i>Kaela Dalton</i>
<i>Mar. 10:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Kayleigh Williams</i>
<i>Mar. 17:</i>	<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>Julia White</i>

## *Coffee Volunteers*

<i>Mar. 3:</i>	<i>Larry Dickey</i>
<i>Mar. 10:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Mar. 17:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>

## *Nursery Volunteers*

<i>Mar. 3:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>
<i>Mar. 10:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>
<i>Mar. 17:</i>	<i>Raquel Fernandez</i>

## *Fellowship Snacks*

<b>Next Week Mar. 10:</b> <i>Laura Strickland</i> <i>Ginny Bremer</i> <i>Jamie Dalton</i> <i>Judy Wildeboer</i>	<b>Mar. 17:</b> <i>Andrea Cawley</i> <i>Lisa Johnson</i> <i>Kelly Melendi</i> <i>Stephanie Williams</i>
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