

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 8. 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

April 15, 2018 - 9:30 AM

Third Sunday of Easter

Silent Reflection

The New City Catechism # 48 What is the Church?

A. God chooses and preserves for himself a community elected for eternal life and united by faith, who love, follow, learn from, and worship God together. God sends out this community to proclaim the gospel and prefigure Christ's kingdom by the quality of their life together and their love for one another.

Prelude

Thine is the Glory

G. F. Handel/Arr.Lani Smith

*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 67:1-5

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us

People: **That your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.**

Leader: May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.

People: **May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.**

All: **May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.**

***Hymn**

Jesus Shall Reign
Hymn #441

****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 LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. 2 "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Genesis 12:1-3

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Confession of Our Sins

“Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.”

Assurance of Pardon

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

Choral Response

Dresden Amen

The Second Scripture Lesson

9 After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. 10 And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." 11 All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

Revelation 7:9-12

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

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

Look at the World
John Rutter

Look at the world, ev'rything all around us; Look at the world, and marvel ev'ry day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along the way.

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and ev'ry blessing, All things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, Valley and flowing river, field and plain:

(Refrain)

Think of the spring think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Ev'rything grows, ev'rything has a season, Till it is gathered to the Father's fold:

(Refrain)

Ev'ry good gift, all that we need and cherish Comes from the Lord in token of his love; We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty His is the earth, and his the heav'ns above:

(Refrain)

The Third Scripture Lesson

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:16-20

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

****The Offertory Hymn**

O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling
Hymn #444

****Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

The Offertory

Beautiful Savior
Arr. Tom Fettke

****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. 8

The Message

Mr. Willy Ardon "A Long Awaited Vision"
(Candidate for Gospel Ministry, Southwest Florida Presbytery)

****Hymn**

The Church's One Foundation
Hymn #347

****Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata on "Old Hundredth"
Gordon Young

***All who are able, please stand*

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

Announcements

Welcome Guest Preacher Willy Ardon

We welcome guest pastor, Willy Ardon to Christ Central! Willy is originally from Guatemala, but was raised in New Jersey. Willy came to know the Lord later in life at the age of thirty-two. He is currently involved in the Spanish ministry at Redeemer Presbyterian in Riverview as well as the Mercy ministry at Holy Trinity Presbyterian in South Tampa where he preaches to the homeless every Thursday evening.

Church Directory

The 2018 directory is now available! Copies are available at the Welcome Desk.

Piano Recital

Students of Alice Tietjen, our pianist, will present their annual recital at Christ Central Presbyterian Church TODAY at 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Students from primary to high school will offer a wide variety of music from contemporary to the classics. Attendance is free to all. A reception will follow the program.

Summer Sunday School Teachers

Christ Central Family...have you begun planning your summer calendars yet? If you love children and have a heart for teaching, then make room in your plans to teach Sunday School! Please contact Jamie Dalton with your interest and the weeks you are available between June 3 and August 26th at realdalton@gmail.com or text 863-221-7888.

International Dinner

Please join us on **Saturday, May 12th** for our annual International Dinner. You will be truly amazed to learn how many different regions of the world are represented here at Christ Central. We will have a variety of foods to sample from around the world. Please invite your family and friends! **RSVP to Sara Royer by May 1st** (sroyer@christcentralpca.org or 813-453-3221). If you would like to volunteer to bring a dish/dessert or to help with decorations etc., please contact Sara.

Save the Dates!

- High School - Elevate July 3-8
- Middle School - Kalaqua July 16-20

This Week at Christ Central

April 15 – April 21

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

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-7 / K4/K5 -2 nd Grade	Raquel Fernandez & Stephanie Williams	3/5
Ages 8-10 /3 rd - 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	8
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Steve & Laura Strickland	Rio Center
High School / 9th -12 th Grade	Brian Waugh & Luis Salgado	Rio Center
Adult - Covenant Theology	Randy Johnson	13
Adult - Ephesians	Bryan Toenes	14
Adult - Exploring Encounters with Jesus	Blake Williams	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: \$ 6,601.40

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>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	Andy Thomson Brian Armstrong	Randy Johnson Family
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Bill Cutler	Randy Johnson
<u><i>Communion Set-up:</i></u>	Randy Johnson	Randa Gravanti

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Kelly Fernandez</i>	<i>Sam Fernandez</i>
<i>Apr. 22:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>	<i>Rebecca Armstrong</i>
<i>Apr. 29:</i>	<i>Gail Chang</i>	<i>Peter Chang</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Loretta Jackson</i>
<i>Apr. 22:</i>	<i>Marilyn Horst</i>
<i>Apr. 29:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Raquel Fernandez</i>
<i>Apr. 22:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>
<i>Apr. 29:</i>	<i>Stephanie Williams</i>

Fellowship Snacks

Next Week Apr. 22: <i>Karen Collins</i> <i>Glenda Williams</i> <i>Diane Keen</i> <i>Jane Lambers</i>	Apr. 29: <i>Therese McKenzie</i> <i>Loretta Salgado</i> <i>Randa Gravanti</i> <i>Eva White</i>
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