

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

August 12, 2018 - 9:30 AM

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in e minor (BWV 555)

J. S. Bach

*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 34:1-3

Leader: I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

People: My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

All: Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

***Hymn**

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

Hymn #381

****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 whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers. ² And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³ And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. ⁴ Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵ Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. ⁶ So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷ For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹ a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰ And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

Deuteronomy 8:1-10 ESV

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

The Confession of Our Sins

"O Lord, full of mercy and grace, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone: give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love, to adore you Lord, a heart to delight in you, to follow, to rejoice in you, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen"

-St. Ambrose

Assurance of Pardon

I have wiped out your transgressions like a thick cloud and your sins like a heavy mist. Return to Me, for I have redeemed you.

Isaiah 44:22

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹⁴What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! ¹⁵For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." ¹⁶So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy. ¹⁷For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth." ¹⁸So then he has mercy on whomever he wills, and he hardens whomever he wills. ¹⁹You will say to me then, "Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?" ²⁰But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, "Why have you made me like this?" ²¹Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? ²²What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, ²³in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory— ²⁴even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles? ²⁵As indeed he says in Hosea, "Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,' and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'" ²⁶"And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'"

Romans 9:14-26 ESV

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 Third Scripture Lesson

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." ⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

John 6:35-51 ESV

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

****The Offertory Hymn**

For the Beauty of the Earth

Hymn #116

****Offertory Prayer of Dedication**

The Offertory

Abide With Me (BWV 508)

J. S. Bach

****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

John 6:35-51

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

****Hymn**

I Love to Tell the Story

Hymn #478

****Benediction**

Postlude

Prelude in a minor (BWV 559)

J. S. Bach

***All who are able, please stand*

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

Announcements

Elementary Teachers Needed For Fall Sunday School

Our new Sunday school quarter begins September 2nd and we are in need of teachers for our youngest congregants! If you would like to teach Children's Sunday School in the upcoming school year, please contact Jamie Dalton at realdaltongang@gmail.com / (863) 221-7888, or fill out the Connection Card indicating your willingness to volunteer & position you are interested in, and put it into the offering plate. **WE ARE IN NEED OF A TEACHERS AND TEACHER ASSISTANTS FOR THE LOWER ELEMENTARY (K4-2ND GRADES) & UPPER ELEMENTARY (3RD-5TH GRADES).**

Student Ministry News

Sunday Evening MS/HS Large Group – Fall Kick-off – August 26!

Every person is a worshipper...because we were created to worship. The problem is that many people worship the wrong thing. This entry-level program is designed to show students “who” the only one worthy of worship is: Jesus Christ. This is a meeting with a positive environment, an element of fun, strong student involvement, and an understandable, gospel-centered message that challenges students to take the next step in their faith.

We meet in Calvin's Crib (Rio Center) from 5:30-7:00 PM.

Bring a friend!

We meet Every Sunday evening until December 9 with the following exceptions:

October 28 – CCPC Fall Fellowship
November 18 – Thanksgiving Vespers Worship
November 25 – Thanksgiving Weekend
December 9 – Youth Christmas Party

Kid Builders - Due to a lack of available and screened volunteers, this ministry will be temporarily discontinued. If you are interested in helping or leading, please mark your Communication Card “Kid Builders” or email the church office.

Exploring Church Membership Class

We will be offering an Exploring Church Membership Class in the fall. Please mark the Connection Card if you would like to attend or learn more. **Note:** attending this class is required for membership at CCPC. However, taking this class does not obligate anyone towards membership. It's a great way to learn more about the gospel, our church and the specific vision we are working to accomplish. Please mark your Connection Card with “Membership Class” if interested or email the church office (church@christcentralpca.org).

ESL Information and Planning Meeting

August 26, 2018

12:00 PM

(Light Lunch Provided. Please RSVP)

Do you know English and Love Jesus? If so, you are a perfect fit for Christ Central's ESL Ministry.

God commands us to love our neighbors and He is providentially bringing the nations to our doorstep! Let's welcome them and share God's love. One great way to share God's love with our non-English speaking neighbors is through church-based English as a Second Language (commonly known as ESL) classes. This is a relational ministry, which has proved to be a blessing for our volunteers as well as the students who attend. Since our ESL Ministry started last winter, our students come from more than 10 different countries and typically speak either Spanish or Portuguese.

There are many tasks needed within our ESL Ministry: greeting, hospitality, baking and coffee making, registration, teaching, assistant teaching, substitute teaching, and language assessment.

If you are interested in learning more about Christ Central's ESL ministry (and possibly volunteering), please RSVP for this meeting by writing ESL on your Connection Card. If you have further questions, please contact Ruling Elder Brian Waugh or church member Luis Salgado.

Housing for Visiting Brazilian Student

We have the opportunity to minister to a Brazilian doctoral student. The student, André Luiz Mendes Athayde will be continuing his education as a Research Scholar at the John H. Sykes College of Business at University of Tampa beginning in November.

Andre' has indicated that he would like to worship and fellowship with Christ Central during his stay in Tampa so he has reached out to CCPC and our Brazilian friends, First Presbyterian Church of Tampa Bay requesting housing from November 1, 2018 until April 30, 2019. Andre' has made this request due to the high cost of health insurance required for visiting scholars which will make it very difficult to afford six months of rent on top of the costs of food and transportation.

We would love to be able to assist Andre' in finding suitable housing. If you would be interested in hosting Andre', or would like more information please call the church office.

This Week at Christ Central

August 12 – August 18

SUNDAY:

Morning Worship, 9:30 am
Coffee and Conversation, 10:30 am
Sunday School, 11:00 am

FRIDAY:

Senior Covenant Group, (Room 16), 10:00 am

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3/Toddlers	Bev Thomson	6
Ages 4-10 / K4/K5 - 5th Grade	Jamie Dalton, Tami Lang, & Therese McKenzie	8
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Donna Waugh & Diane Keen	Rio Center
High School / 9th -12 th Grade	Gregg & Sally Quick	Rio Center
Adult - Romans	Danny Dalton	FH
Adult - Exploring How to Grow as a Disciple	Dave Hawes	15
First Presbyterian Church of Tampa Bay - Apostles' Creed	Rev. Jofre Santiago (Portuguese)	12

CHRIST CENTRAL AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: TBD
Last Sunday's Offering: \$ TBD

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>August</u>	<u>September</u>
<u><i>Greeters:</i></u>	Strickland Family	Darby White Brian Armstrong
<u><i>Ordained Officer:</i></u>	Steve Strickland	Brian Waugh
<u><i>Communion Set-up:</i></u>	Marsha Craig	Judy Wildeboer

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Gail Chang</i>	<i>Peter Chang</i>
<i>Aug. 19:</i>	<i>Liz Hickerson</i>	<i>Johnny Hickerson</i>
<i>Aug. 26:</i>	<i>Kelly Fernandez</i>	<i>Sam Fernandez</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>David Campbell</i>
<i>Aug. 19:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Aug. 26:</i>	<i>Glenda Williams</i>

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>
<i>Aug. 19:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>
<i>Aug. 26:</i>	<i>Therese McKenzie</i>

Fellowship Snacks

Next Week August 19: <i>Kelly Melendi</i> <i>Therese McKenzie</i> <i>Pam Bergen</i> <i>Sheila Colbert</i>	Aug. 26: <i>Kelly Fernandez</i> <i>Gail Chang</i> <i>Cathy Armstrong</i> <i>Raquel Fernandez</i>
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