



*a diverse, inclusive church experiencing and reflecting the love, hope and joy of Jesus Christ  
to each other and our community*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP | 11am | sunday | november 1, 2026**

**WELCOME** | Pastor Jad Denmark

## **WELCOME ONE ANOTHER**

### **PRELUDE**

*I Will Sing the Wondrous Story* | Richard Vale  
Connie Bookholt, alto; Doug Friend, percussion

WORSHIPCast | Rick Vale © 1997 Erickson & Baugher Music (ASCAP) | used by permission | all rights reserved

### **\* CALL TO WORSHIP** | Richard Sheffield, liturgist

Today we remember the saints who have gone before us,  
those whose lives have shown us what it means to follow Christ.

**We remember their courage, their compassion, and their commitment to do no harm.**

They taught us that Christian love begins with restraint—refusing to participate in the harm of others.

**They showed us a better way: the way of Christ, who broke down every barrier and welcomed all  
into the circle of grace.**

We honor their example and open ourselves to the Spirit who shaped them.

**We are people who choose mercy over judgment, peace over violence, and love over harm.**

Surrounded by the great crowd of witnesses, let us worship the One who calls us to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**Let us worship the God who calls us to holy living, and empowers us to do no harm, do good,  
and stay in love with God.**

### **\* BELL BANNER PROCESSION**

### **\* GATHERING HYMN**

*For All the Saints* | *The United Methodist Hymnal* No. 711 (verses 1,2,3,5)

**For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.**

*(refrain)* Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.** *(refrain)*

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.** *(refrain)*

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.** *(refrain)*

## \* OPENING PRAYER

**Gracious God, today we give thanks for the saints who have gone before us. We remember those whose faith shaped our own, those who showed us what love looks like, and those whose quiet acts of kindness made a difference in the lives of others. Their witness reminds us that the Christian life is not simply about what we believe, but about how we live. Challenge us to consider the ways we treat one another. Teach us what it means to do no harm. Give us the courage to speak with kindness, listen with compassion, and stand alongside those who are mistreated. By your grace, make us saints in our own generation, so that our lives may bear witness to the transforming love of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*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. Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the quick 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.**

## \* GLORIA PATRI

**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.**

Henry W. Greatorex | public domain | CCLI License # 487103

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Stewardship Campaign

## OFFERING

worshipping through the offering of our lives and gifts

- Place offerings in the plates or wooden boxes
- Give online at [christchurchfl.org/give](https://christchurchfl.org/give)
- Text GIVE to 954.880.3885
- Mail a check to Christ Church, 4845 NE 25<sup>th</sup> Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

Connect cards may also be placed with your offering. Christ Church is a congregationally supported ministry. We thank you for your faithfulness as we reflect the love, hope and joy of Jesus to our community.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

*Canticle: For All the Saints* | arr. Doug Wagner

Chancel Choir

*Let us sing of famous ones, and our parents that begat us, such as did bear rule in their lifetimes, and were renowned for their power. Leaders of the people by their counsels, and by their knowledge, such as found out musical tunes and recited verses in writing; All these were honored in their generations, and were the glory of their times. And some there be which have no memorial; who are perished as though they had never been. Their bodies are buried in peace, but their names liveth forevermore. O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*congregation is invited to join*

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!**

Ralph Vaughan Williams & Douglas Wagner | copyright © 1989 by H.W. Gray Publications, c/o CPP/BELWIN, Inc. | all rights reserved | used with permission under One License #A-726973

## **\* DOXOLOGY**

**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.**

Bourgeois & Ken | public domain | CCLI License # 487103

## **SCRIPTURE**

**Romans 12:9-21** | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads."

<sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

These are the words of God for us, the people of God. **Thanks be to God**

## **MESSAGE**

*Three Simple Rules | Do No Harm | Pastor Jad Denmark*

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to You, Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth:

You are to be praised for the women and men whose faithful witness to your love inspires each generation of your people: Abraham and Sarah, who believed Your promise and trusted you to lead them to a new land. Isaiah and Jeremiah who held fast to Your promise that a Messiah would come to save and redeem your people. Paul of Tarsus, who was beaten and shipwrecked while carrying the Gospel to many nations; Mary and Joseph, who by faith awaited Your promise until the birth of Jesus, our Savior.

And the saints from this congregation who have gone before us and now dwell in God's glorious kingdom:

## READING OF THE ROLL OF THE VICTORIOUS

John Cook  
Richard "Rick" Dechert  
Barbara Fossa  
Patricia "Pat" Gericke  
Philip "Phil" Hamilton  
Neal Harrison  
James "Jim" Jordan  
Robert Krinkie  
Karen Elizabeth Leburg  
Ava Lemak  
Constance "Connie" Mulcahy  
Jim Payne  
Wayne Rogers  
Patrick Ross  
Joann Sherouse  
Barbara Timmerman  
Judi Trotman  
Kathleen Marie "Kay" Walsh  
All friends and family of Christ Church United Methodist  
Our loved ones who have gone before us

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Renew our communion with all your saints, the great cloud witnesses. Strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the Body and Blood of Christ that we might be for the world the Body of Christ redeemed by his blood. By Your Spirit make us one

with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at His heavenly banquet.

Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy church, all honor and glory is Yours almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*And now with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray together:*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

*You do not need to be a member of Christ Church or a United Methodist to come to the table. Christ himself is host and welcomes all. If you cannot come forward, please know that someone will bring the bread and cup to you.*

## **GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**all Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **\* HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

*Help Us Accept Each Other* | LANCASHIRE

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;  
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.  
Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe  
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.**

**Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life  
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.  
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,  
to love them as we find them, or as they may become.**

**Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved  
in living situations to do the truth in love;  
to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart  
the table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.**

**Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,  
who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,  
we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;  
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!**

Fred Kaan & Henry Thomas Smart | © words: 1975 Hope Publishing Company | music: public domain | CCLI License # 487103

## **WAYS TO CONNECT | [christchurchfl.org/ways2connect](http://christchurchfl.org/ways2connect)**

Please see below.

### **\* SENDING FORTH**

## \* RESPONSE

*Spirit Song* | The United Methodist Hymnal No. 347

**O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.**

**Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.**

**O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove  
will descend upon your life and make you whole.**

**Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.**

**Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.**

John Wimber | © 1979 Mercy | Vineyard Publishing | CCLI License # 487103

## MUSIC FOR CLOSING

*When We All Get to Heaven* | Emily D. Wilson

Chuck Stanley, organ

Emily D. Wilson | © 2013 Lorenz Publishing Co, a division of The Lorenz Corporation | all rights reserved | used with permission under One License #A-726973

**\* *please stand in body or spirit.***

Join us next Sunday, when we continue the series, *Three Simple Rules*, with the message, *Do Good*, based on Luke 10:25-37.

## WAYS TO CONNECT | [christchurchfl.org/ways2connect](http://christchurchfl.org/ways2connect)

### TODAY

**CONNECT CARDS** We want to know how you're doing. Please fill out a Connect Card, to tell us that you are here, how we can pray for you, and which ministries you're called to so we can help you get connected. We'd love to hear your ideas also. You'll find paper Connect Cards in the worship space and digital cards at [christchurchfl.org/connectcard](http://christchurchfl.org/connectcard).

**HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE TIME** Coffee and snacks are available between 8:45 and 10:45am. Join your friends for coffee and conversation outside the kitchen window in the gym lobby.

**PASTOR APPRECIATION RECEPTION today | 10am & 12noon | fellowship halls** October was Pastor Appreciation Month, when we recognize the spiritual leadership and pastoral care we receive all year 'round from our clergy. Join the reception organized by Staff Parish Relations Committee in Fellowship Halls 2-4 after each worship service to celebrate Pastors Jad and Monique's dedication.

**FREEWAY SUNDAY NIGHT today | 5-7pm – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders | 6-7pm dinner | 6-8pm high schoolers** There's room at the table for all 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders every Sunday evening. Fifth-graders through middle school students meet 5-7pm; high schoolers, 6-8pm. Both groups come together for dinner at 6pm. Bring a friend or two. Questions? Contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, at [pwoodard@christchurchfl.org](mailto:pwoodard@christchurchfl.org)

### SERVE

**ZOE EMPOWERS** We support the Arise and Shine Kironya Empowerment Group of 24 orphaned and abandoned teens and young adults as they learn skills to be self-supporting through Zoe Empowers. Our partnership with them runs through December 2027. The skills taught by Zoe will help each young adult support themselves and their families in their context. You can learn more at [christchurchfl.org/zoe](http://christchurchfl.org/zoe)

**SERVE A MEAL AT PARKWAY sundays 8:30-10:30am | wednesdays 4-6pm** You are invited to share the joy of serving a hot meal to our neighbors and friends on the Parkway Campus. You'll serve alongside more experienced volunteers, serving food, welcoming guests, and helping to clean up after the meal. Students who serve can receive service hours. If you are interested, please send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org)

**PREPARE BREAKFAST FOR PARKWAY** The Parkway community breakfast is prepared in the Fort Lauderdale kitchen early Sunday morning. This is a great opportunity for families to serve together. Students can earn service hours. Send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org) if your family or group can help.

**HEAT DINNERS FOR PARKWAY** On Wednesdays, we prepare Christ Church's famous and tasty meatloaf and side dishes in the Fort Lauderdale kitchen for our guests on the Parkway Campus. Flex volunteer time 2-4pm. This is a great opportunity for families to serve together after school. Students can earn service hours. If you are interested, please send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org)

**THANKSGIVING MEAL FOR PARKWAY NEIGHBORS saturday | november 21 | parkway campus** On Saturday, November 21, we're inviting the neighborhood around the Parkway Campus for a Thanksgiving meal, after which attendees will be given groceries to make their own holiday meal. There are many ways you can help with this community event -- from providing paper goods to bringing desserts to helping serve and praying with guests. We've invited the children and families of Tedder Elementary School, and we're planning for 300 guests. If you would like to help, please sign up. Volunteer shifts start at 8am. Meal is 11am - 1pm. Sign up to serve at [christchurchfl.org/events](http://christchurchfl.org/events)

**JOIN THE WELCOME TEAM** Do you enjoy greeting your church family and welcoming guests? The Welcome Team would be a great place for you to serve. Welcome Team members also help serve communion and collect the offering. Some welcome team members serve as ushers and greeters for memorial services and other special events. Michele Apple and Jeanne Deinken lead this team. Serving with the Welcome Team is a great way to get to know your church family. Sign up at [christchurchfl.org/serve](http://christchurchfl.org/serve)

**BE PART OF THE WORSHIP TECH TEAM** Put your tech skills to work for God. If you would like to be part of the team that helps run the cameras and visuals for worship, send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org)

## CONNECT

**AT THE TABLE sunday | 10:05am | fellowship hall 1** At the Table is a time to explore the scripture of the day and meet new people. Invite friends and newcomers to join you. Plan to stay after the 9am service or come early for the 11am service for this time together; you don't need to hear the day's message to participate in the conversation. Holy Grounds is open, so plan to grab a snack and coffee, and join us. This week's At the Table is canceled so everyone can attend Pastors' Appreciation reception.

**INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE | thursday | november 19 | 7pm | united church of christ** Pastor Jad Denmark will participate in an interfaith Thanksgiving service hosted by the United Church of Christ, 2501 NE 30th St., Fort Lauderdale. All are invited to worship with other persons of faith in our community.

**SHARED MEALS** You are invited to share a meal and community twice each week on the Parkway Campus. On Wednesday, 4:30-5:30pm, dinner is served to all who come. On Sunday, breakfast is shared 9-10am. This is a great way to build community with our neighbors. The Parkway Campus is located at 100 NE 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Deerfield Beach.

**CHRIST CHURCH AT TRIVIA NIGHT mondays | 7:30pm | Funky Buddha Brewery** Join us as we play trivia. It's an informal gathering of folks who have fun trying to answer the questions and catching up on one another's lives. Look for the Christ Church team at the Funky Buddha, 1201 NE 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland Park, on Monday nights.

## GROW

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE** **sunday | november 8 | 9am | lawn** Everyone is invited to bring a friend or neighbor and pets to the Blessing of the Animals service on Sunday, November 8, on the lawn between the sanctuary and the Fellowship Halls. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on, if you like. All pets should be leashed or safely in carriers. We'll sing worship songs and have a message before the pastors bless our animal friends. You can also bring a stuffed animal or picture of a special animal to be blessed. This is a special time of invitation to our community and acknowledgement of God's creation.

**WOMEN OF FAITH** **noon wednesdays on zoom** Women of all ages are invited to join Women of Faith. This lunch hour group welcomes all who want to learn and pray together. If you're interested, contact group leader Cynthia Metzger Phipps, [cmetzgerphipps@christchurchfl.org](mailto:cmetzgerphipps@christchurchfl.org)

**MORNING PRAYERS** Join your church family for morning prayers Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:30am on the Christ Church Facebook page, [@christchurchfl](https://www.facebook.com/christchurchfl). If you can't be online at 7:30, a recording of morning prayers is available on Facebook.

## HEALING

**FAITH CARING GROUP** **mondays | 1pm** The Faith Caring Group reflects and addresses the need for caring and assistance as well as grief support. The group meets on Zoom every Monday of the month, except the second Monday when members have lunch at H2Ocean, 5975 N Federal Hwy #103, Fort Lauderdale. For more information, send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org) with your contact information. A Faith Caring Group leader will get back to you.

## STUDENTS

**FREEWAY EVERY SUNDAY NIGHT** **every sunday | 5-7pm – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders | 6-7pm dinner | 6-8pm high schoolers** There's room at the table for all 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders every Sunday evening. Fifth-graders through middle school students meet 5-7pm; high schoolers, 6-8pm. Both groups come together for dinner at 6pm. Bring a friend or two. Questions? Contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, at [pwoodard@christchurchfl.org](mailto:pwoodard@christchurchfl.org)

## CHILDREN & FAMILIES

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT | friday | november 6 | 6-8:30PM iLab** Kids can come watch a movie, enjoy dinner, and have fun while Mom and Dad have an evening alone. Open to children kindergarten through 5th grade. Drop off at 6pm at the gate nearest the iLab; pick up promptly at 8:30pm. Cost is \$30 per child. Contact Lisa Jones, coordinator of children's ministry, [ljones@christchurchfl.org](mailto:ljones@christchurchfl.org)

**LEAD THE LORD'S PRAYER & APOSTLES CREED** **first sundays** Children are invited to lead the Lord's Prayer and the Apostles Creed in the 9am and 11am services on the first Sunday of each month. Email Pastor Monique to volunteer, [mmcbride@ccsfl.org](mailto:mmcbride@ccsfl.org)

**i9 SPORTS AT CHRIST CHURCH** Soccer, flag football, basketball and multi-sport programs are open for children age 3 and up. i9 is a community-based program devoted to helping children succeed. Learn about all of the opportunities on the i9 website. [i9sports.com](http://i9sports.com)

## CHURCH BUSINESS

**DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION** Christ Church is seeking a collaborative, relational, and highly organized Director of Administration to provide leadership for the administrative and operational life of our church. Learn more about the position and how to apply at [christchurchfl.org/jobs](http://christchurchfl.org/jobs)

**PART-TIME CUSTODIAN** Christ Church is seeking a dependable, flexible, and conscientious Part-Time Custodian to help maintain clean, safe, welcoming, and well-prepared spaces at Christ Church & Christ Church School in Fort Lauderdale and the Parkway Campus, home of our food pantry, in Deerfield Beach. Learn more about the position and how to apply at [christchurchfl.org/jobs](http://christchurchfl.org/jobs)