



*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 | june 21, 2026**

**WELCOME** | Phil Woodard, Student Ministry Director

## **WELCOME ONE ANOTHER**

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

Please see below.

## **PRELUDE**

*This is the Day to Rejoice Medley* | arr. Mark Hayes

Wes Kassulke, piano

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## **\* CALL TO WORSHIP** | Connie Booth, liturgist

We gather to praise the God who meets ordinary people and entrusts them with holy purpose.

**We come as followers, listening for the voice of Christ in our midst.**

The call to discipleship is not a story from the past; it is God's invitation for us today.

**We come ready to learn, ready to grow, ready to be sent.**

The Spirit urges us beyond what is comfortable, shaping our lives for God's work in the world.

**God forms us into disciples who live with courage, hope, and faithfulness.**

Let us worship the one who transforms willing hearts into committed followers of Jesus.

**We come to worship God and renew our calling to walk in the way of Christ.**

## **\* GATHERING HYMN**

*Lift High the Cross* | The United Methodist Hymnal No. 159 (verses 1,2,3,4)

*(refrain)* **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim**

**till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.**

**The hosts of God in unity combine.** *(refrain)*

**Each newborn servant of the crucified**

**bears on the brow the seal of him who died.** *(refrain)*

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,**

**as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.** *(refrain)*

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:**

**Praise to the crucified for victory!** *(refrain)*

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## \* OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you meet us in the midst of everyday life and call us into something greater. We gather today as people who are still learning what it means to follow Jesus. Stir in us a willingness to listen, to release what holds us back, and to follow where you lead. Awaken in us the courage to be true disciples. When our nets feel empty, renew our hope. When we hesitate, strengthen our resolve. When we doubt our worth, remind us that you still choose us. Give us faith to follow your leading even when we do not know the way ahead. Shape us into faithful disciples, ready to serve, ready to love, ready to go wherever you send us. Amen.

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*A Modern Affirmation of Faith - Pentecost Season*

We believe in God, creator of all things, giver of life and breath. God is present and walks with us daily through times of joy and sorrow. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh who lived among us. He was crucified, died, and buried. On the third day, He rose from the dead and lives today, bringing healing and hope to the world. He calls us to love God and all people, welcoming each person as part of God's family. We believe in the Holy Spirit that came down on the first disciples to empower them, teach them, and lead them into all truth. We believe the same Spirit empowers us today as daughters and sons of God to transform the world with the amazing power of God's love. We believe that God is still moving among us today: still creating, still restoring, and still filling us with power as we live each day for the glory of God.

## \* 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.

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## MUSIC MINISTRY

*Deep River* | arr. Andy Beck

Leigh Neely, soprano

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## SCRIPTURE

**Luke 5:1-11** | New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake of Gennesaret and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus's knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

## MESSAGE

*Catch Anything?* | Pastor Alex Shanks

## OFFERING

worshipping through the offering of our lives and gifts

- Place offerings in the plates or wooden boxes
- Give online at [christchurchfl.org/give](http://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

*Let Everything That Has Breath Praise the Lord* | Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

*Praise God in the sanctuary! Praise God in the highest heavens! Praise God for all earthly wonders, too marvelous for words. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Let all people in every language lift their voice in one accord. Praise God with the sound of trumpets! Praise God with the lute and harp, with tambourines and dancing, with all sounds of strings and pipes! Praise God with the clanging cymbals, with loud resounding cymbals! Let every living creature shout praises to our God, from every corner of the earth, from every tribe and tongue, from now and through eternity God's praises will be sung. Praise, O praise the Lord!*

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## \* 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.**

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## MORNING 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 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## \* HYMN OF COMMITMENT

*Go, Make of All Disciples* | The United Methodist Hymnal No. 571 (verses 1,2,3,4)

**"Go, make of all disciples." We hear the call, O Lord,  
that comes from thee, our father in thy eternal word.**

**Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer,  
and let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.**

**"Go, make of all disciples," baptizing in the name  
of Father, Son, and Spirit, from age to age the same.**

**We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord,  
redeeming soul and body by water and the word.**

**"Go, make of all disciples." We at thy feet would stay  
until each life's vocation accents thy holy way.**

**We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart,  
revealing in our witness the master teacher's art.**

**“Go, make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command.  
“Lo, I am with you always.” We take thy guiding hand.  
The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;  
in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God’s kingdom here.**

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## **\* 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.**

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## **MUSIC FOR CLOSING**

*How Firm a Foundation* | Jason D. Payne

Chuck Stanley, organ

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

Join us next Sunday, for the message *The One Who Makes Us One*, based on Galatians 3:26-29.

## **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 before the 9am and 11am services. Join your friends for coffee and conversation outside the kitchen window in the gym lobby.

**AT THE TABLE today | 10:05am | fellowship hall 2 Join us for** At the Table, a time to explore the scripture of the day and meet new people as you do. 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 will be open, so plan to grab a snack and coffee, and join us.

### **CONNECT**

**PATRIOTIC FUNDRAISER FOR CHRIST CHURCH saturday | june 27 | 4-6pm** Christ Church will celebrate the nation’s 250<sup>th</sup> birthday with a barbecue and fundraiser! For a donation of just \$20 per person or \$40 per family, you can enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, watermelon, apple pie and ice cream – accompanied by patriotic music and live

entertainment. There will be silent and live auctions! You can get your tickets now and avoid the line the night of the event. [christchurchfl.org/events](http://christchurchfl.org/events)

**WELCOME PASTOR JAD** Christ Church's next pastor, Rev. Jad Denmark, will preach here for the first time on Sunday, July 5. Then on Sunday, July 12, we'll hold receptions after each worship service to welcome him and his wife, Shelly. We invite you to be in prayer for Pastor Jad, Shelly, and their young adult children as they move to Fort Lauderdale.

**SHARED MEALS** You are invited to share a meal and community twice each week on the Parkway Campus. On Wednesday, 4:30-6pm, 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.

## SERVE

**BLESSINGS FOOD PANTRY** The Blessings Food Pantry needs our donations to keep up with the growing needs of our neighbors in the Parkway community. Please take a bag and shopping list as you leave worship today, and return it filled next Sunday. Here are the most-needed items: canned tuna and chicken, canned or boxed soups, cereals, instant potatoes, tomato sauce, rice, pasta, mac-and-cheese, canned beans, saltine crackers, jelly, peanut butter, coffee/tea, canned fruit, canned ravioli, canned meat such as Spam, and cereal bars. If you'd like us to do the shopping, donations can be made at [christchurchfl.org/give](http://christchurchfl.org/give), with Blessings Pantry in the notes field, or make out a check to Christ Church and write Blessings Pantry on the memo line. Learn more at [christchurchfl.org/blessings](http://christchurchfl.org/blessings)

**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. If you are interested, please send an email to [info@christchurchfl.org](mailto:info@christchurchfl.org)

**ARTF GATHERING Sunday | October 11 | 12:15pm | Fellowship Halls 2-4** The Anti-Racism Task Force, a group focused on bringing an end to racism within and outside the church, will gather at 12:15pm on Sunday, October 11, to plan events for the next couple of months. All are welcome to come learn about the initiative and plan ways to share with others. For more information, email ARTF leader Susan Spragg, [sspragg@christchurchfl.org](mailto:sspragg@christchurchfl.org)

**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)

**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're preparing 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)

**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)

## **GROW**

**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. For the rest of the summer, they will be studying the book of Acts. If you're interested, contact group leader Cynthia Metzger Phipps, [cmetzgerphipp@christchurchfl.org](mailto:cmetzgerphipp@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**

**NO ORDINARY OPEN GYM july 1, july 15, july 22 | 6-8pm** All 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5<sup>th</sup> graders, are invited to come enjoy food, time in the gym, a short devotions and then time to make music together. Bring your instrument, if it's easy to carry, and come have fun. If you have questions, contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, [pwoodard@christchurchfl.org](mailto:pwoodard@christchurchfl.org)

**PUZZLE TOURNAMENT sunday | june 28 | 6-8pm | christ church gym** Sure school's out, so challenge your brain in a whole new way. Check out the Puzzle Tournament. All 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5<sup>th</sup> graders, are invited to come enjoy food and puzzles. If you have questions, contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, [pwoodard@christchurchfl.org](mailto:pwoodard@christchurchfl.org)

## **CHILDREN & FAMILIES**

**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**

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING** The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for September 14.