



*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 | july 12, 2026

WELCOME | Pastor Jad Denmark

WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

How Great Thou Art | arr. Albin Whitworth
Chuck Stanley, organ; Doug Friend, percussion

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*** CALL TO WORSHIP** | Jeanne Deinken, liturgist

Come, people of God, and remember who you are.

We are God's beloved, created with purpose and called by grace.

Before we knew how to seek God, God was already seeking us.

Before we knew our own worth, God claimed us as precious and loved.

We gather not as strangers, but as those welcomed into God's family.

We are chosen to live in hope and to reflect God's love in the world.

Come and worship the one who calls, redeems, and sustains us.

We praise God, whose love has claimed us and whose grace will never let us go.

*** GATHERING HYMN**

God, Whose Love is Reigning o'er Us | The United Methodist Hymnal No. 100 (verses 1,3,4,5)

God, whose love is reigning o'er us, source of all, the ending true;

hear the universal chorus raised in joyful praise to you:

Alleluia, alleluia, worship ancient, worship new.

Holy God of ancient glory, choosing man and woman, too;

Abr'am's faith and Sarah's story formed a people bound to you.

Alleluia, alleluia, to your covenant keep us true.

Covenant, new again in Jesus, Starchild born to set us free;

sent to heal us, sent to teach us how love's children we might be.

Alleluia, alleluia, risen Christ, our Savior he!

Lift we then our human voices in the songs that faith would bring;

live we then in human choices lives that, like our music, sing:

Alleluia, alleluia, joined in love our praises ring!

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*** OPENING PRAYER**

Loving God, you have called us into being, claimed us as your own, and surrounded us with a grace that existed long before we could understand it. When fear or uncertainty threatens to define us, anchor us in the assurance that we belong to you. When we feel like we are not enough, remind us that you know us completely

and still call us beloved. When life feels uncertain or overwhelming, hold us steady in your love and grace. Shape us into a people who live like your beloved—secure in your love and ready to share your grace with others. Meet us here, speak to us, and renew us, so that we may live as your people in the world. Amen.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

* GLORIA PATRI

Glorify 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

In Heaven’s Eyes | Phil McHugh
Connie Bookholt, alto

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SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 1:3-6 | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

Luke 3:21-22 | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

²¹Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

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

MESSAGE

Beloved | *Taken* | Pastor Jad Denmark

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Freeway Student Ministry

OFFERING

worshiping through the offering of our lives and gifts

- Place offerings in the plates or wooden boxes
- Give online at christchurchfl.org/give
- Text GIVE to 954.880.3885
- Mail a check to Christ Church, 4845 NE 25th 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

I Am His Child | arr. Moses Hogan

Chancel Choir

I may not be all that you are, I may not be a shining star, but what I am I thank the Lord for making me his child. Thank you Lord for hearing every prayer, thank you Lord for just being there, thank you, Lord for I am not worthy of your love. So don't use me or abuse me, for I am his child. Don't tease me, or mistreat me, for I'm still his child, you can even talk about me, but I'm still his child.

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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**

I Stand Amazed in the Presence | The United Methodist Hymnal No. 371 (verses 1,4,5)

**I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
and wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.**

(refrain) **How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful is my Savior's love for me!**

**He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own;
he bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone. *(refrain)***

**When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see,
'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me. *(refrain)***

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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.

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MUSIC FOR CLOSING

Festive Postlude | Paul Fey

Chuck Stanley, organ

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

Join us next Sunday, when we continue the series, *Beloved*, with the message, *Blessed*, based on Matthew 5:1-12, Genesis 12:1-3 & Ephesians 1:3.

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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.

HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE TIME Coffee and snacks are available before the 9am and 11am services. Today, coffee will be available before the 9am service at the kitchen window. After 9:30am, look for coffee and light bites in the Fellowship Halls, where we'll have a welcome reception for the Denmarks.

WELCOME PASTOR JAD Come welcome Pastor Jad Denmark and his wife Shelly after both worship services on today, July 12. There will be receptions in the Fellowship Halls at 10am and 12noon, with food, an opportunity to gather, and photos of Pastor Jad at his previous church. It's been 20 years since the Denmarks lived in South Florida, and things have changed a bit. You'll have a chance to offer them places to check out – your favorite restaurant, car mechanic, pub, coffee shop or anything else that they should not miss. Please come be a part of this warm welcome.

FLAGGED MANHUNT today | july 12 | 6-8pm There's nothing like an exciting game of manhunt to close out the weekend. All 6th to 12th graders, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5th graders, are invited to come enjoy food, a game or two, and a short devotion. If you have questions, contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, pwoodard@christchurchfl.org

CHURCH BUSINESS

CHURCH CONFERENCE monday | july 13 | 6pm | sanctuary A Church Conference has been called for Monday, July 13, at 6pm to consider the design and financial plans for the Christ Church School middle school expansion. All church members have voice and vote at a Church Conference.

SILENT AUCTION CONTINUES Check out the table with surplus kitchen items in the gym lobby. Every week there'll be new items to bid on – silent auction style – and then at 4pm Friday, a winner will be determined. If you don't find a treasure this Sunday, check back next week.

SERVE

BLESSINGS FOOD PANTRY Please take a bag with a shopping list or a shopping list as you leave worship today. The Blessings Food Pantry needs our donations to keep up with the growing needs of our neighbors. 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, 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

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

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

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

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 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

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

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 **CONNECT**

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 44th 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 38th Street, Oakland Park, on Monday nights.

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, 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 with your contact information. A Faith Caring Group leader will get back to you.

STUDENTS

CRAZY GAMES sunday | july 19 | 6-8pm Summer is never boring when you've got Crazy Games. Come see what Mr. W has cooked up for this Sunday Night Together. All 6th to 12th graders, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5th graders, are invited to come enjoy food, a game or two, and a short devotion. If you have questions, contact Mr. W, director of student ministry, pwoodard@christchurchfl.org

NO ORDINARY OPEN GYM wednesdays | july 15 and july 22 | 6-8pm All 6th to 12th graders, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5th graders, are invited to come enjoy food, time in the gym, a short devotion, 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

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

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

