



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

WELCOME TO WORSHIP | 9am | sunday | july 5, 2026

*** OPENING SONG**

Praise Band led by Zaria Modeste, Praise Band Leader

Great Things | Jonas Myrin & Phil Wickham

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WELCOME | Pastor Jad Denmark

WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Beloved in Christ, we gather today as people who have been set free by the grace of God.

We come to worship the One whose love gives life, hope, and freedom.

Christ has not called us to live for ourselves alone.

He calls us to serve God and one another with joyful hearts.

At this table, we remember the One who gave himself for the life of the world.

At this table, we receive anew the gift of liberating love.

Come, let us worship the God who frees us from fear and empowers us to love.

With gratitude and praise, let us join together in worship!

*** SONG OF WORSHIP**

No Longer Slaves | Brian Johnson, Joel Case & Jonathan David Helser

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*** 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.

PASTOR INSTALLATION | Holly Aragon Jones, chair of Staff Parish Relations Committee

Friends in Christ, today is a good day in the life of the church. We gather not just to welcome a new pastor, but to celebrate what God is already doing among us—and what God will continue to do through all of us together.

I am pleased to present to you Pastor Jad Denmark, who has been appointed to serve as pastor of Christ Church.

Pastor Jad, you have been sent to this community to preach the Word, to care for God's people, to lead in ministry, and to help equip this church to share Christ's love in the world. Do you accept this calling to serve among this people—to proclaim the gospel, to teach the faith, to lead with compassion, and to walk alongside this congregation in their life with Christ?

Pastor: I do, with God's help.

People of God, will you receive Pastor Jad as your pastor? Will you pray for him, encourage him, and join him in the work of ministry? Will you offer your gifts, your time, and your presence as partners in Christ's mission?

Congregation: **We will -- with God's help.**

Congregational Covenant

We are God's people, called to be the body of Christ. We commit ourselves to love one another, to grow in faith, to serve our neighbors, and to walk together in grace. We welcome you as our pastor, and we promise to share in this ministry together.

Prayer of Installation

Gracious God, we thank you for bringing us together today. Pour out your Spirit upon Pastor Jad and upon this congregation. Give them patience when the road is long, grace when the work is hard, and joy in the journey they share. Bind them together in love, so that, in all they do, your name is honored and your kingdom made known. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us join together in welcoming Pastor Jad.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE | Pastor Jad Denmark

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Christ Church School summer camp

OFFERING

worshiping through the offering of our lives and gifts.

- Place offerings in the basket or wooden box
- Go to christchurchfl.org/give
- Text GIVE to 954.880.3885
- Mail a check to Christ Church, 4845 NE 25th Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

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

*** SONG OF WORSHIP**

Who You Say I Am | Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan

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MORNING PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you for gathering us today as your people. We come with grateful hearts, remembering that through Jesus Christ, you have set us free—not for selfish ambition, but for lives shaped by love. Your grace has broken the chains of sin, fear, and separation, and your Spirit continues to lead us into the fullness of life. Open our hearts to the depth of Christ's love. Help us understand more fully the freedom Jesus has won for us and the calling he places before us: to love others with the same self-giving love he has shown to us.

May your Spirit renew our minds, strengthen our faith, and inspire us to become servants of your peace and instruments of your grace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 5:1, 13-14 | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

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

MESSAGE

The Liberating Love of Jesus | 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 the 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. In the beginning your Spirit moved over the face of the waters. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers, anointing them to speak your Word.

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. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. With your Spirit upon him he turned away the temptations of sin. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. 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. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, as on the Day of Pentecost.

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.**

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 may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood and empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

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

COMMUNION SONG

The Table | Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash & Wayne Jolley

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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.

WAYS TO CONNECT | christchurchfl.org/ways2connect

Please see below.

SENDING FORTH

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

Join us next Sunday, when we begin the series, *Beloved*, with the message, Taken, based on Luke 3:21-22, Isaiah 43:1-4, and Ephesians 1: 3-6.

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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. Join your friends for coffee and conversation outside the kitchen window in the gym lobby.

CONNECT

WELCOME PASTOR JAD Come welcome Pastor Jad Denmark and his wife Shelly after both worship services on Sunday, 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 be a part of this warm welcome.

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.

SERVE

BLESSINGS FOOD PANTRY 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

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

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

FLAGGED MANHUNT sunday | 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

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

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.