



*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 | august 2, 2026

WELCOME | Pastor Jad Denmark

WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

MUSIC MINISTRY

Bright Morning Stars | arr. Jay Althouse

Women's Ensemble

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*** CALL TO WORSHIP** | Judy O'Donnell, liturgist

Beloved people of God, we gather as those who have been blessed beyond measure.

We have received life, grace, love, and purpose from the hands of God.

We are not blessed for ourselves alone.

We are blessed to be a blessing for others.

Together we are members of one body, gifted in different ways and united by one Spirit.

Together we belong, together we serve, together we witness.

Come, let us worship the God who gives abundantly and sends faithfully.

We come with thankful hearts, ready to receive, ready to serve, and ready to be given for the sake of the world.

*** GATHERING HYMN**

Christ, you Offer us Your Welcome | BEECHER

Christ, you offer us your welcome; it's a precious gift you give!

You bring reconciliation, and you show us how to live.

You call poor ones from their sadness, you call rich ones from their pride.

You call people who are outcast, telling all to "Come inside!"

In a world that's often fearful, where so many stand alone,

you invite us to your table and you welcome people home.

Then you point us to the strangers that, it seems, nobody sees,

and you say, "These are your neighbors. I am here, in each of these."

Christ, your call to offer welcome is an urgent, mighty call;

you have given us a vision of your way that welcomes all.

May we seek to meet our neighbors in their vast diversity.

As your loved and welcomed people, may we build community.

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* OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we thank you for calling us your beloved children. You bless us with your love and claim us as your own. Remind us that the blessings we have received are not meant to be held tightly, but shared freely. Open our ears to hear your call. Strengthen our sense of belonging in the body of Christ, where each person is needed, each gift is valued, and each life can reflect your grace. Form us into a community that looks beyond itself. Send us beyond these walls to serve, encourage, heal, and proclaim your love in word and deed. Shape us into disciples who are willing to be given—just as Christ gave himself for the life of the world.

* 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.

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Christ Church Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to Jaan Bhatt, Brayden Bunn, Hayden Denmark, Lillian Denmark, Kyla Manera, Teddy McBride, Matt Till, Jonah Wilson

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

To Every Generation We Proclaim | Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

We declare your might throughout the earth! You display your power. You are God! You have done great things! Wholly just and true, to every generation we proclaim; we declare your faithfulness, we declare your steadfast love, we declare your righteousness, we exalt your name above. We declare your majesty, we declare your mighty deeds, we declare your sovereignty and your authority, we declare your might! When I see a ray of dawn, praise

rises in my heart. New light set adoration on the wing. The skies cannot contain the glories of your goodness. I join creation's symphony and sing. We declare your might throughout the earth! You display your power, you are God! How can we show our thanksgiving for the mighty things you've done? We can express it in our living. By sharing your love, teaching your Word to our daughters and our sons.

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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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PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:5–11 | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,

⁸ he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly

and gave him the name

that is above every other name,

¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

Matthew 26:26–29 | New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

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

MESSAGE

Beloved | Given | 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 for ever. **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**

We are Called to be God's People | HYMN TO JOY

**We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives his grace,
One in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how he has changed us, and remade us as his own;
Let us share our life together as we shall around his throne.**

**We are called to be God's servants, working in his world today;
Taking his own task upon us, all his sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then, to his summons, dedicate to him our all,
That we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now his call.**

**We are called to be God's prophets, speaking for the truth and right;
Standing firm for godly justice, bringing evil into light.
Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill,
That we all may know the blessing of the doing of God's will.**

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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

Trumpet Tune | Henry Purcell

Chuck Stanley, organ

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

Join us next Sunday, when we begin the series, *Jesus and ...*, with the message, *Jesus and the Outsider*, based on Luke 19:1–10

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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.

AT THE TABLE today | 10:05am | fellowship hall 1 At the Table is 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.

SERVE

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR TEDDER ELEMENTARY We want to bless Tedder Elementary, a school near the Parkway Campus, with supplies to help students start the school year. This year's list includes:

- Backpacks sturdy enough to last the whole year
- Folders with pockets
- Zipper pencil pouches
- Black and white composition books
- Glue sticks
- Boxes of colored pencils

- Small pencil sharpeners
- 24-count boxes of crayons
- 100-page spiral notebooks
- Small Fisker scissors
- Pack of 3-hole looseleaf notebook paper

Items can be brought to the church any time, including Sunday morning. Go to the church website to shop from an **Amazon list**, or you can let us do the shopping with a donation to Tedder School Supplies. Questions? Please contact Lisa Jones, coordinator of children's ministry, **ljones@christchurchfl.org**
christchurchfl.org/school-supplies

BLESSINGS FOOD PANTRY The Blessings Food Pantry uses 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 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**

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

LISTENING POSTS wednesdays | august 26 and september 2 | 6:30pm Pastor Jad looks forward to hearing from you about what's important to you at Christ Church. These 45- to 60-minute listening sessions will give you an opportunity to answer a few of Pastor Jad's open-ended questions. Just choose a date and sign up at christchurchfl.org/events

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 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

END OF SUMMER POOL PARTY sunday | august 9 | 5-8pm Let's make a giant splash before classes begin. All students grades 6-12, plus Christ Church and Christ Church School 5th graders, are invited to Freeway's last hurrah of the summer. 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

CLEAR GLASS DESSERT PLATES AVAILABLE Church leaders are clearing the kitchen of unused treasures, and you're invited to see if there's something you'd like. Today's find: sets of 10 clear glass dessert plates, each available for a \$10 donation. Check the tables as you leave worship for the opportunity to take some dessert/salad plates with you.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING monday | september 14 | 6:30pm The Church Council will next meet on Monday, September 14, at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Halls.