



*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 | september 14, 2025

*** OPENING SONG**

Praise Band led by Zaria Modeste, Praise Band Leader
Unstoppable God | Chris Brown, Steven Furtick & Wade Joye

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WELCOME | Pastor Cathy Johns

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WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

*** SONG OF WORSHIP**

Your Grace Is Enough | Matt Maher

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE | Pastor Doug Johns

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 allows us to reflect the love, hope and joy of Jesus to our community. Connect Cards may be placed with your offering.

*** SONG OF WORSHIP**

Made Me Glad | Miriam Webster

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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.

SCRIPTURE

2 John 1:4-8 | New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

⁴I was overjoyed to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we have been commanded by the Father. ⁵But now, dear lady, I ask you, not as though I were writing you a new commandment but one we have had from the beginning: let us love one another. ⁶And this is love, that we walk according to his commandments; this is the commandment just as you have heard it from the beginning—you must walk in it.

⁷Many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh; any such person is the deceiver and the antichrist! ⁸Be on your guard, so that you do not lose what we have worked for but may receive a full reward.

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

MESSAGE

The Anatomy of Love | And the Truth Shall Set You Free | Pastor Cathy Johns

* CLOSING SONG

Your Grace Is Enough (reprise) | Matt Maher

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SENDING FORTH

** please stand in body or spirit.*

Join us next Sunday, as we conclude the series, *The Anatomy of Love*, with the message *Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing*, based on 1 John 4:7-8, 16-21.

WAYS TO CONNECT | christchurchfl.org/ways2connect

TODAY

CONNECT CARDS We want to stay in touch. 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. 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 Every Sunday, coffee and snacks are available before the 9am and 11am services. Join your friends at the kitchen window in the gym lobby for coffee and conversation.

AT THE TABLE today | 10:05am | fellowship halls 1-3 *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; you don’t need to hear the day’s message to participate in the conversation. Holy Grounds is open, so grab a snack and coffee, and join us.

CONNECT

CREATIVE SPIRIT sunday | september 21 | 4-7pm | walkway room Women and girls are invited to devotions and guided artwork with Pastor Monique McBride, CCS art teacher and pastor to school and families. The group will paint faux pumpkins. This class is open to girls in 4th grade and up, as well as adult women. Cost is \$10 per class to cover supplies, and scholarships are available. Please bring a refreshment to share: last name A-L bring something savory, M-Z bring something sweet. Additional Creative Spirit gatherings are planned for November 16, January 25, and March 8. RSVP by Wednesday, September 17, to Pastor Monique, **mmcbride@ccsfl.org**

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.

WELCOME BRUNCH sunday | october 19 | 10am | fellowship hall 1 If you or someone you sit next to during worship is new to Christ Church, we’d love to get acquainted at the next Welcome brunch. This is an opportunity to learn more about the church and meet others. If you’re interested or have questions, please send an email to **welcome@christchurchfl.org**

GROW

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA IMMIGRATION TOWN HALL saturday | september 20 | 9:30am-12noon Hear how increased immigration enforcement is affecting our neighbors, then learn what you can do to help vulnerable people. The Christ Church Anti-Racism Task Force and the Florida Immigration Coalition will bring together people from throughout South Florida on Saturday, September 20, 9:30am-12noon, at Christ Church. The day will start with a time of networking at 9:30am, followed by a Unity Session moderated by District Superintendent Rev. Vidalis Lopez, with speakers from the University of Miami Immigration Center and the ACLU of Florida, among others. Then, at 11am, you can attend a breakout session where you will be equipped to take action in an area that speaks to your gifts and heart. Sign up at **christchurchfl.org/immigration** Please sign up in advance to take action to protect our vulnerable neighbors. If you can volunteer for the morning, contact Susan Spragg, **sspragg@christchurchfl.org**, or Linda Bajkowsky. Bring friends and neighbors to stand up for human dignity.

ANTI-RACISM TASK FORCE sunday | october 5 | 12:15pm | fellowship hall 1 The mission of the Anti-Racism Task Force is to confront the sin of racism in ourselves, our church, and in the world. Join us as we work toward a church community that reflects the beautiful diversity of the Kingdom of God. ARTF meets quarterly on the first Sunday after the 11am Traditional Worship Service, around 12:15pm. Questions? Contact Susan Spragg, leader of the Anti-Racism Task Force, artf@christchurchfl.org

MORNING PRAYERS Join your church family for morning prayers Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 7:30am. Begin the day praying with your church family 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. Morning prayers take a break on church and federal holidays.

SERVE

TRUNK OR TREAT saturday | october 19 | 5-7:30pm We are getting ready for Christ Church's giant party on the field, Trunk or Treat. There are many ways to help get ready -- and to serve the night of the party. Here are some of them:

BE A SPONSOR Help make sure our thousands of guests have a great time.

DECORATE A TRUNK Church and school families are invited to decorate a trunk and give out candy, after all, that's what Trunk or Treat is all about! If you're a business, you too can decorate a trunk and give away candy that you provide, as well as approved marketing materials.

DONATE CANDY Candy is the star of the night. And we give away lots of it. Donations of individually wrapped candy can be sent or brought to the church.

DONATE SOFT DRINKS & SPORTS DRINKS Trunk or treating can make one thirsty. Donate cans of Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite and LaCroix and individual-size bottles of Gatorade.

MOST OF ALL, VOLUNTEER We want every guest to feel welcome, and that takes lots of people! There are many opportunities to serve and have fun together.

For all of the details about this exciting night, go to our website. christchurchfl.org/boo

PAINT CEILING TILES FOR PARKWAY wednesday | september 17 | 4-6pm | walkway room Families with children age PK-4 and up are invited to the Walkway Room to paint ceiling tiles for the Parkway Center. Pastor Monique McBride, art teacher Christ Church School, will lead the way. Children PK4 through fifth grade must be accompanied by a parent. Sixth-12th graders must have a signed liability form. We'll have a creative time together. RSVP to Lisa Jones, coordinator of children's ministries, ljones@christchurchfl.org

ZOE EMPOWERS Please pick up a prayer card for a family that's part of the Arise and Shine Kironya Empowerment Group, our Zoe Empowers group. We will be supporting this group of 24 orphaned and abandoned teens and young adults as they learn the skills to be self-supporting and join in community through Zoe Empowers. Our partnership with them will run 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

FOOD FOR THE BLESSINGS FOOD PANTRY The following items would be greatly appreciated: canned tuna or chicken, canned or boxed soups, cereals, instant potatoes, tomato sauce, rice, pasta, mac-and-cheese, canned beans, canned vegetables, jelly, peanut butter, coffee/tea, canned fruit, canned ravioli, canned meat such as Spam, and cereal bars. Items may be taken to the pantry during pantry hours, 9-11am Monday, Wednesday and Friday, or brought to the Fort Lauderdale campus on Sunday morning. Learn more at christchurchfl.org/ blessings

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, wrapping and heating breakfast sandwiches. Students can earn service hours. Send an email to Outreach Coordinator Paige Darnell, pdarnell@christchurchfl.org if you, 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 Outreach Coordinator Paige Darnell, pdarnell@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. Linda Bajkowsky coordinates the team and would love your help. 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

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.

YOUTH

SERVICE PROJECT KICKOFF **friday | september 19 | 6-8pm | fellowship hall 1 & gym** Discover how we'll make an impact this season. Brainstorm, dream big, and start something meaningful. All 6th- 12th graders are invited and invited to bring a friend. Questions? Contact Jess Woolverton, leader of Freeway Student Ministry, **jwoolverton@christchurchfl.org**

CHURCH BUSINESS

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING **monday | october 6 | 6:30pm | fellowship halls 1-3**

BISHOP'S LISTENING SESSIONS **thursday | september 25** Clergy and laity are invited to attend the South East District Fall Listening Tour: A Conversation with Bishop Tom Berlin, Alex Shanks, Molly McEntire, and Jenn Stiles-Williams. The gatherings will be held on Thursday, September 25. The first will be 10:30am-12noon at Kendall UMC, 7600 SW 104th St., Miami. The second will be 5:30-9pm at First UMC Stuart, 1500 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart, 34994. Registration is required. Go to **<http://bit.ly/4mhlRiD>**