

# Christian Service of Worship

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost      October 25, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

*\*indicates for those who are able to stand*

## We Gather Together

Welcome and Mission Announcements      Rev. Dr. James Brewer-Calvert

\*Passing of the Peace of Christ

*(As the risen Christ greeted his beloved disciples with the greeting, "Peace be with you," let us now turn and greet one another in mutual love.)*

Prelude      *Be Thou My Vision*      P. Matthews

\*Entrance Hymn      *We Call Ourselves Disciples*      **357**

\*Call to Worship *The Great Commission Based on Matthew 28* Rev. Wendy Wyche  
*According to First Christian Church, Decatur, Georgia*

One: Go out in the neighborhood.

**Many: Empower people to love each other.**

One: Help them listen for their call to be the people God created their souls to be.

**Many: Teach them by your actions about God's unconditional love for each and all.**

**All: And, lo, I will be with you until the end of the age. Amen!**

\*Unison Prayer of Invocation      Rev. Wendy Wyche  
**Creator of the universe, we gather as a portion of your world centered in Christ. As your community of faith, strengthen us this sacred time, not to be conformed to the world, but to be transformed by the renewal of our minds. Equip us to express the kind of world you intended when you spoke it into existence. Join us together with all your people to do your good and perfect will. Grant that your great day may come when all creation fully pleases you. 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.*

## We Receive and Respond to the Word

Lessons from the Holy Scriptures      Rev. Wendy Wyche

Matthew 28: 16-20 (*Pew Bible NT Page 34*)

Mark 10: 46-52 (*Pew Bible NT Page 47*)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Focus on Faith      Pastor

*Children welcome, in the name of Jesus. Children welcome, in the name of love.*

*All are welcome, in the name of Jesus. All are welcome, in the name of love.*

Joys and Concerns for Church and Community      Rev. Lynn Trapp

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer      Rev. Lynn Trapp

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

Chancel Anthem      *I Am Willing*      Holly Near/Steve Milloy

Soloists: Rose Bianco-Szymanski and Jasmine Heath

Dismissal for Children's Church with Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert

Sermon      *"Act Locally, Think Globally"*      Pastor

Invitation to Discipleship      Pastor

*(You may join First Christian Church by transfer of membership, confession of faith, or by renewal of the vows of your baptism. Please come forward during the hymn.)*

\*Hymn of Invitation      *Somos Uno en Cristo*      **493**

## We Remember and Celebrate as the Body of Christ

Invitation to the Lord's Table      Pastor

Prayers for the Bread and Cup      Rev. Wendy Wyche and Rev. Lynn Trapp

*(Christ invites you to partake of Holy Communion. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us. You may partake of communion by intinction. Please come forward, take a wafer and dip it into the chalice. Holy Communion will also be served by our Deacons to those in pews who choose to not come forward and wish to partake. Gluten free Communion Bread and water are available. Please place your tithes in the offering plates held by our Deacons. You are not expected nor required to give an offering in order to receive Holy Communion. The Lord's Table is offered to all.)*

Words of Institution      1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

One: For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said,

**Many: "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

One: In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying,

**Many: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."**

One: For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Prayer of Commission

**God our help: We thank you for this supper, shared in the spirit with your son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in Him and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us.**

**We Are Led Out By the Spirit**

*Hymn of Going Forth	<i>In Christ There Is No East or West</i>	<b>687</b>
*Benediction		Pastor
Postlude	<i>A Mighty Fortress</i>	D. Hustad

Welcome home! We are delighted that you are here today. Please fill out the Visitor/Member Card so we may have a record of your participation.

If you wish for a prayer joy or concern to be shared aloud during worship, please complete the back of the card now. Deacons collect prayer cards before our pastoral prayer. If your prayer request is confidential or you simply do not want it shared aloud, you may place your card in the offering plate alongside our collective tithes and offerings. On Monday morning our Prayer Ministry will lift up to God your prayer requests.

We kindly request that, unless you are on-call for professional reasons, all cell phones and electronic devices be turned off during worship. Thank you.

The Holy Scriptures for today may be found printed in the bulletin insert.

**Ministers: All the People**

**Your Church Staff:**  
 The Rev. Dr. James L. Brewer-Calvert,  
*Senior Pastor*  
 William E. Garner, *Director of Music*  
 Rev. Barbara Sims-King,  
*Dir. of Christian Education*  
 Kathy Westbrook, *Church Organist*  
 Sherry Davis, *Church Administrator*  
 Ron Smith, *Custodian*

**Your Volunteer**  
**Wedding Coordinator:**  
 Diana Blake, *Wedding Coordinator*

**Continental Breakfast**

Oct. 25: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nov. 1: Dotti Laycock  
 Nov. 8: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nov.15: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Sermon Title: *"Act Locally Think Globally"*  
 Elders: Rev. Wendy Wyche and Rev. Lynn Trapp  
 Deacons: Larry Todd, William Garner, Pat Oliffe  
 Greeters: Laura Andrew, Wiley Harris, Danl Giles  
 Acolyte: Jacob Tate

**All Saints Sunday  
 November 1, 2015**

Preaching: Rev. Dr. James Brewer-Calvert  
 Holy Scriptures: Ruth 1: 1-18; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9: 11-14;  
 Mark 12: 28-34  
 Elders: Becky Kidd and Ruth Lutz  
 Deacons: Mark Ranney, Wiley Harris, Jasmine  
 Heath, William Garner  
 Greeters: TBA  
 Acolyte: Theo Jackson



***Welcome Home!***

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***Resolve to Love, Agree to Differ, Unite to Serve, Break Bread Together***