

# Christian Service of Worship

All Saints Sunday

November 1, 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 All Glory Be To God On High Pachelbel

\*Entrance Hymn Shall We Gather at the River 701

\*Call to Worship Ruth Lutz

One: Let us gather to remember the mighty things that our Lord has done.

**Many: Let us gather also to affirm and proclaim the wonders that the Lord still works in our lives.**

One: We give praise to God who is stronger than all other powers in heaven and on earth.

**Many: We give thanks because the Lord has called us to be heirs of the Lord's kingdom, first fruits of salvation.**

One: Let us celebrate the grace of our Lord.

**Many: Let us receive power through the Holy Spirit to live out God's love, mercy, and justice this week. Amen!**

\*Unison Prayer of Invocation Ruth Lutz

**O God, we are disturbed by the problems we face and by the calamities we see around us. The Good News is that the power you have given us is greater than the world's troubles and challenges. Help us to be bold as we accept that power within us. Strengthen us that we may proclaim your hope and salvation to the world. Guide us as we hear and live out your Word and Way. May we stand firm as witnesses of your love and mercy. 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 Ruth Lutz

Mark 12: 28-34 *(Pew Bible NT Page 49)*

2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17 *(Pew Bible NT Page 206)*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Focus on Faith

Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

*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.*

Dismissal for Children's Church with Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

Joys and Concerns for Church and Community

Pastor

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Pastor

*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 Choir

*Behold, How Good*

arr. Michael John Trotta

Soloist: Kayla Harriott

Sermon *"In Dubio, Pro Tradito (When in Doubt, Hold Fast to Tradition)"* 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 *Colorful Creator* 457

## We Remember and Celebrate as the Body of Christ

Invitation to Faithful Stewardship Elaine Alsobrook

Offertory Music *Now Blest Be Thou* Scheidt

\*Doxology (Hymn of Praise) *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* 46

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:*

*Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Offertory Prayer Elaine Alsobrook

Communion Hymn *God of Our Life* 713

Invitation to the Lord's Table Pastor

Prayers for the Bread and Cup Ruth Lutz and Rev. Lynn Trapp

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.

*(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 the Bread as it is passed and hold the Cup, or you may hold both elements so that we may partake of Holy Communion together.)*

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>For All the Saints</i>	<b>637</b>
*Benediction		Pastor
Postlude	<i>Now Thank, My Soul, Thy Master</i>	Pachelbel

*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**

Nov. 1: Dotti Laycock

Nov. 8: \_\_\_\_\_

Nov.15: \_\_\_\_\_

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Deacons: Mark Ranney, Wiley Harris, Jasmine  
Heath, William Garner

Greeters: TBA  
Acolyte: Theo Jackson

**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost,**

**November 8, 2015**

Preaching: Rev. Melissa Fain, Pastor, Fig Tree  
Christian Church

Holy Scriptures: Ruth 3: 1-5; 4: 13-17; Psalm 127;  
Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12: 38-44

Elders: Becky Kidd and Julie Fleming  
Deacons: Mark Ranney, Wiley Harris, Jasmine  
Heath, Steve Oliver

Greeters: TBA  
Acolyte: Will Kidd



***Welcome Home!***

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