



*"I press on toward
the goal to win the
prize for which God
has called me..."*

- PHILIPPIANS 3:14

TREASURE:
EYES ON
THE PRIZE

PHILIPPIANS 3:10-14



AUGUST 1, 2021

Welcome!

Are you new at Christ Church? Please stop by our Welcome Table in the Gathering Hall or Family Life Center Lobby to learn more about our church and how to get involved.

We offer three worship services each Sunday morning. Preaching today are:

8:30 BLENDED SERVICE (MASK ONLY)

Pastor C. Chappell Temple

10:30 TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY

Pastor C. Chappell Temple

10:30 CONTEMPORARY SERVICE IN COVENANT HALL

Pastor Michelle Hall



WORSHIP TEAM

Dr. C. Chappell Temple
Lead Pastor

Dan Conway
Pastor of Discipleship & Outreach

Michelle Hall
Pastor of Congregational Care & Missions

R. DeAndre Johnson
Pastor of Music & Worship Life

GT Mangum
Director of Contemporary Worship

Beth McConnell
Organist / Accompanist

For a full list of our staff members, please visit christchurchsl.org/staff.

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

I still remember my mother, a surgical nurse, talking about them from her early days in the hospital. For she was clearly both impressed and amused by the eager if usually overworked interns on her floor. Later on, however, the idea of internship spread beyond medicine to other disciplines in life, including pastoral ministry. For it's a good educational practice indeed for students and graduates to get practical experience in their field and learn their craft beyond classroom settings.

In that regard, we will be pleased to welcome our new seminary intern, William Murphree, along with his wife Stephanie, beginning next Sunday. William is a native of Tupelo, Mississippi, and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Theater from the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. He is currently in his last year at Perkins School of Theology at SMU, and has worked as a youth director at St. John's UMC in Richmond, Texas, serving in numerous UM ARMY, Ignite Mid-Winter, and Lakeview programs. During his internship at Christ Church, which will run through May of 2022, William will be involved in all aspects of pastoral ministry, working with our clergy and the rest of the staff, along with a Lay Teaching Committee that will provide feedback and encouragement.



"We are happy to be at Christ Church," William says, "and are looking forward to building relationships and being involved in the ministry here." The Murphrees will continue to live in Rosenberg and if you would like to send a welcome email to William and Stephanie, you may do so via williamthemurphree@gmail.com.

UPCOMING SERMONS

AUG 08 | **TRUTH: THE GREAT REVERSAL** | MARK 10:26-31
Pastor Temple preaching at 8:30 and 10:30 Traditional;
Pastor Conway preaching at 10:30 Contemporary.

NEW SERMON SERIES:

JESUS STORIES (Parables for People Like Us)

AUG 15 | **LOOKING FOR THE LOST** | LUKE 15:1-10
Pastor Temple preaching at 8:30 and 10:30 Traditional;
Pastor Hall preaching at 10:30 Contemporary.

BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

8:30 AM • AUGUST 1, 2021

Welcome home to worship! As a means of caring for each other, in this service we ask that you keep your face covering on for our entire time together. Children in worship are invited to pick up a take-home activity packet on the tree on the landing for use in worship and afterwards.

PRELUDE

Presto, 3rd mvt, from Summer
from *The Four Seasons* by Antonio Vivaldi
AIJA IZAKS, VIOLIN

GREETING & OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING SONGS

I'll Fly Away
Victory in Jesus

COMMUNITY MOMENTS

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The communion table is open to all, irrespective of age or church membership. Please remain at your seat today and take out your fellowship cup.

OFFERING PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

Scherzo Tarantelle by H. Wieniawski
Giving today may be made online at christchurchsl.org/give, or at the entrance to the sanctuary. Please register attendance online today at christchurchsl.org/attend.

LESSON FROM GOD'S WORD

Philippians 3:10-14

SERMON SERIES: SUMMER GAMES

"Treasure: Eyes on the Prize"
PASTOR C. CHAPPELL TEMPLE

*CLOSING SONG

Blessed Assurance

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Irish Jig by Joe Zambon



REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE OR GIVE ONLINE

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary today are donated by Daniel and Anita Samuel to honor Abigail on her 18th birthday.

If you would like to commemorate a special event, donations of altar flowers may be made by signing up on the calendar in the hallway next to Pastor Dan's office, or by contacting Jan Randolph at janr@christchurchsl.org.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 AM • AUGUST 1, 2021

Welcome to worship! To care for each other, those in the mask-only section are asked to keep their face-coverings on throughout the service. Activity packets for children are available on the tree on the landing.

PRELUDE

Presto, 3rd mvt, from Summer
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AIJA IZAKS, VIOLIN

GREETING

*HYMNS OF PRAISE

Victory In Jesus (UMH 370)
There's Within My Heart A Melody (UMH 380)

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

VIENNA ALISE BERBER
Mauricio & Morgan Berber, parents

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SPECIAL MUSIC

Spirituals Medley arr. Joyce Rice
SACRED HARPS

SHARING OF OUR PRESENCE & GIFTS

Scherzo Tarantelle by H. Wieniawski
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PASTOR C. CHAPPELL TEMPLE

*HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

Precious Name (UMH 536)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Irish Jig by Joe Zambon



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**Please stand as you are able.*

Our Bride's Room is also open for the use of parents or those needing more privacy.

BACK TO SCHOOL /
BACK TO CHURCH

BLOCK PARTY

SATURDAY
AUG 14

FOOD TRUCKS • SNOW CONES
BOUNCE HOUSE • SILENT DISCO • MOVIE

Join us on Saturday, August 14, from 5 - 8 pm, as we kick off the fall with a block party in our parking lot! Bring the whole family for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship. The whole community is invited! We will have door hangers available next Sunday to share in your neighborhood and invite your friends to join in the fun!

RELAY READING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT | 6 AM - 6 PM • SANCTUARY

As we kick off a new season, we want to start strong with God's Word. Join us for a relay reading of the gospels, Book of Acts, Romans, and as far as we can get in twelve hours of moving through the New Testament. Readers will be asked to come to the sanctuary, stand in our pulpit and read aloud for 15 minutes, with the whole day being livestreamed. You can sign up for a time slot on our website. About fifty volunteers are needed for the day.

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:30 AM | AUGUST 1, 2021

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GREETING

SERMON SERIES: SUMMER GAMES

"Treasure: Eyes on the Prize"

PASTOR MICHELLE HALL

COMMUNITY MOMENTS

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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OPENING PRAYER

OPENING SONGS

House Of The Lord
Jesus Son Of God

CLOSING SONG

What A Beautiful Name

OFFERING PRAYER

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jesus Is Better

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LESSON FROM GOD'S WORD

Philippians 3:10-14



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SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE TO CONTINUE

In response to the recent uptick in Covid-19 cases in our area due to the Delta variant, our current Sunday morning worship schedule, which includes a mask-only service at 8:30 am, will be extended into the fall season. The decision comes in the light of guidance from county officials and from our bishop's office, and was made by the Coordinating Committee which provides for our church's life in between sessions of the Church Council.

The 8:30 am service will continue to reflect a "blended" character, featuring varied musical styles, followed by a dedicated church school hour at 9:30 am, and two concurrent mask-optional services—a traditional worship time in the Sanctuary and a contemporary expression in Covenant Hall—both at the 10:30 am hour. We will also continue to offer a Mask-Only seating area in the Sanctuary, as well as "Christ Kids Praise" during the 10:30 am worship services designed to engage the youngest of our community.

Our thanks to all who have traveled faithfully with us down this long and winding road of the pandemic, headed for better days ahead for sure!

C. Chappell Temple

WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on July 25 was Leila Dickinson, pictured with her big sister Lessa and parents, Curtis and Sara Dickinson. Proud grandparent is Barbara Burnham.



PRAYERS

In Our Prayers:

Sue Bridges' son; Phyllis Ashton's sister and nephew; Mary Milner's cousin; Bob and Susan Ritter's friend; Judy Monroe's friend of the family; Walter Heckelmann's friend; Pam Allan's neighbor; Kira Halcarz

Our Love & Sympathy:

Adeline Sorgenfrei on the death of her mother; Kasey Ogle on the death of her friend

Prayers of Joy:

Kira Halcarz's spouse; Kira Halcarz's relative

You may submit any prayer requests 24 hours a day by visiting our website at christchurchsl.org/prayer. For confidential spiritual care, please connect with Stephen Ministry at christchurchsl.org/stephenministry.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

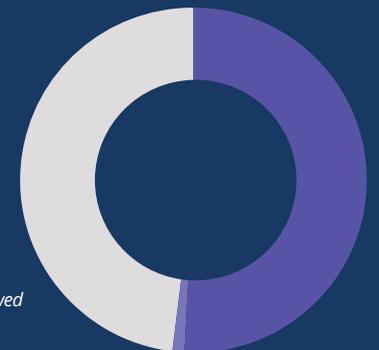
Received this week: **\$34,789**

2021 Annual Budget: **\$2,827,334**

Projected Year-to-Date: **\$1,532,276**

Received Year-to-Date: **\$1,486,747**

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CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 8 • 5 PM • SANCTUARY

Wondering how Christ Church is doing in finding ways to serve God and our neighbors? Come and join our Church Council in the Sanctuary next Sunday, August 8, at 5 pm to hear a word from our pastors and an update on our ministries. The meeting is open to all and no RSVP is necessary.

join us
for...

FESTIVAL CHOIR FALL RETREAT

Saturday, September 11 | 9 am - 3 pm | Brookwood Community, Brookwood, TX

Anyone interested in singing is invited to join the Festival Choir for a day of fellowship and to begin work on our Christmas Concert. This year's retreat is a day trip to the Brookwood Community. We will be joined by composer Taylor Scott Davis, who serves as the Director of Music and Worship Arts at St Andrews UMC in Plano. The cost of \$20 includes lunch at the Brookwood cafe. Register through our website by August 28.

MEALS ON WHEELS IS BRINGING BACK DELIVERIES

Want to be a DRIVING FORCE in our community? Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels is gearing up to restart daily deliveries in August and drivers are needed. Drivers typically sign up to deliver once a week, but any schedule can be accommodated. To connect with our elderly neighbors and watch the joy unfold, or to find out more about this ministry, email Sue Lang at slang26@comcast.net.

MID-WEEK PRAYER TIME

Wednesdays | 12 pm | In the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live

Join our pastors in prayer every Wednesday at noon, either in person in the Sanctuary or online. Prayer in its simplest expression is time with God. Many spend time in prayer talking to God, thanking God, lifting up other's needs, sharing our hurts and disappointments and then sit in silence listening to God's response. You are invited to pray along with us, and submit prayer requests via the live chat. God cares, and He is listening.

IF:LEAD 2021, A GATHERING FOR WOMEN WHO LEAD

Saturday, August 7 | 9 am - 4 pm | Jacob's Well

However you lead in the community or at home, this day is for YOU. At our live IF:Lead viewing, we hope to provide a time to restore your hearts & minds, so that you feel equipped to lead this Fall. Come for worship, fellowship, speakers, and a breakout. Discounted cost of \$10 includes lunch. Register with stefaniep@christchurchsl.org.

Worship
WITH US ON SUNDAYS

BLENDED SERVICE (masks required) | 8:30 am in the Sanctuary

TRADITIONAL SERVICE | 10:30 am in the Sanctuary

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE | 10:30 am in Covenant Hall

To worship from home, visit CHRISTCHURCHSL.ORG/LIVESTREAM.



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