

# LET'S GET *serious*

BECOMING A WORLD CHRISTIAN



*"In your lifetime,  
you received  
your good things,  
while Lazarus  
received  
bad things..."*

- LUKE 16:25

## THE MAN AT YOUR DOOR

LUKE 16:19-31



OCTOBER 3, 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](http://christchurchsl.org/staff).

## A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

It's the stuff that legends are made of. For some say that Joseph of Arimathea brought the holy cup to England in 38 A.D., though there's no evidence that he ever even made that trip. Other Arthurian stories suggest that a band of crusaders known as the Knights Templar discovered it in Jerusalem centuries later and bought it back to hide in various locales, from Glastonbury, to an abbey near Barcelona, to La Capilla del Santo Cáliz (Chapel of the Chalice) in Valencia, Spain.

Hollywood, however, placed that fabled "Holy Grail" in Hatay, now a part of Turkey. For according to *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, the cup from which Jesus drank at the Last Supper ended up protected by an ancient knight, surrounded by decoy chalices from which any would-be-robber would have to choose. And, of course, the villain in that film selected the most beautiful gold and jewel encrusted cup only to discover that he indeed "chose poorly" as he rapidly aged and crumbled into dust.

However fashioned, though, chalices have long been used in the celebration of the Eucharist. On this World Communion Sunday, thus, as we begin a series on "Becoming a World Christian," we join with millions of other global Christians in sharing what is the true treasure of the church indeed—the ongoing life of Christ lived out in the community of His people.



You may also want to check out our new display case near Jacob's Well which currently features "Chalices from Around God's World." You won't find the Holy Grail there, to be sure. But as you search in your heart for the most authentic Cup of the Carpenter, one shared by all of His people, you can still "choose wisely" indeed.

*C. Chappell Temple*



**OCTOBER SERMON SERIES:**  
"LET'S GET SERIOUS:  
BECOMING A WORLD CHRISTIAN"

**OCT 10** | **THE ONE WHO GOT AWAY** | JONAH 1:1-17  
Pastor Temple preaching at 8:30 Blended and 10:30 Traditional;  
Pastor Conway preaching at 10:30 Contemporary.

**OCT 17** | **DECLARING HIS GLORY** | PSALM 96  
Pastor Johnson preaching at 8:30 Blended and 10:30 Contemporary;  
Pastor Hall preaching at 10:30 Traditional.

**OCT 24** | **HOW TO HAVE A DEAD FAITH** | JAMES 2:14-26  
Pastor Temple preaching at 8:30 Blended and 10:30 Contemporary;  
Pastor Conway preaching at 10:30 Traditional.

## BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

8:30 AM • OCTOBER 3, 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

*Apanhei-te, Cavaquinho (Polka)*

by Ernesto Nazareth

BETH McCONNELL

### GREETING

### \*OPENING SONGS

*Cornerstone*

*Kwake Yesu Nasimama (KENYA)*

### 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.*

### SHARING OF OUR PRESENCE & GIFTS

*Escorregando (Tango Brasileiro)*

by Ernesto Nazareth

*Giving today may be made online at [christchurchsl.org/give](http://christchurchsl.org/give), or at the entrance to the sanctuary. Please register attendance online today at [christchurchsl.org/attend](http://christchurchsl.org/attend).*

### SONG OF CENTERING

*Ancient Words*

### LESSON FROM GOD'S WORD

Luke 16:19-31

### SERMON SERIES: LET'S GET SERIOUS, BECOMING WORLD CHRISTIANS

*"The Man At Your Door"*

PASTOR C. CHAPPELL TEMPLE

### \*CLOSING SONG

*Quando El Pobre (ARGENTINA)*

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*When the Poor Ones Reprise*



REGISTER YOUR  
ATTENDANCE  
OR GIVE ONLINE

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary today are donated by Brian and Heather Houston in honor of their 20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 6.

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](mailto:janr@christchurchsl.org).

## TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 AM • OCTOBER 3, 2021

Welcome home 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

*Escorregando (Tango Brasileiro)*

by Ernesto Nazareth

BETH McCONNELL

### GREETING

### \*HYMNS OF PRAISE

*Christ for the World We Sing* (UMH 568)

*How Great Your Name* (GUYANA)

*Kwake Yesu Nasimama* (KENYA)

### COMMUNITY MOMENTS

### CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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### SPECIAL MUSIC

*Quando El Pobre* arr. Walter and Ness

### SHARING OF OUR PRESENCE & GIFTS

*Bonse Aba* arr. Victor Johnson

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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.*

### SONG OF CENTERING

*Ancient Words*

### LESSON FROM GOD'S WORD

Luke 16:19-31

### SERMON SERIES: LET'S GET SERIOUS, BECOMING WORLD CHRISTIANS

*"The Man At Your Door"*

PASTOR C. CHAPPELL TEMPLE

### \*HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

*Quando El Pobre (When The Poor Ones)* (UMH 434)

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Apanhei-te, Cavaquinho*

by Ernesto Nazareth



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## CHRIST CHURCH SUGAR LAND ANNUAL

# TRUNK OR TREAT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30 • 10 AM - 12 PM



Christ Church's annual Trunk or Treat will be October 30 from 10 am-12 pm! Bring your decorated trunks and we will have games, crafts, and more! We will also have allergy-friendly and non-food prizes.

*Who will win our annual Trunk competition? Many hands make fun work! Visit our website to sign up for a trunk or photo booth, or to help with set up, tear down, or welcoming!*

Please put all donations of candy for the event at the bins next to RM 11/12.

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# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:30 AM | OCTOBER 3, 2021

Welcome home to worship! Children are invited to pick up a take-home activity packet at the entrance and on the tables reserved for families today.

## GREETING

## COMMUNITY MOMENTS

## OPENING PRAYER

## OPENING SONGS

*I Thank God  
Raise A Hallelujah*

## SHARING OF OUR PRESENCE & GIFTS

*Send Me*  
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## LESSON FROM GOD'S WORD

Luke 16:19-31

## SERMON SERIES: LET'S GET SERIOUS, BECOMING WORLD CHRISTIANS

*"The Man At Your Door"*  
PASTOR MICHELLE HALL

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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## CLOSING SONG

*Canvas And Clay*

## BLESSING & DISMISSAL



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## WHAT ARE WE SO *serious* ABOUT?

Throughout our history, each time Christ Church becomes aware of a big need in the community, this congregation gets serious about heeding God's call and responds in BIG ways. During Covid, you responded with huge donations to East Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry and Family Promise. Now we have four large, impactful mission projects that need our help.



So *let's get serious* by raising \$80,000, so Christ Church can:

- Fix the broken water drill so we can bring Clean Water Back to the Village of Bulike (Uganda)
- Build a home for a family struggling with generational poverty (Habitat for Humanity)
- Build a Medical Clinic in the Village of Olivier (Haiti)
- Secure sturdy, clean beds for homeless to sleep in Houston (The Life Center for the Homeless)

Give at [christchurchsl.org/serious](http://christchurchsl.org/serious) or by check with "serious" in the memo line. Helping these four ministries takes Christ's love out to Jerusalem, Judea and to the ends of the earth.



EVALUATIONS: OCTOBER 23 OR 30  
PRACTICES BEGIN NOVEMBER 9  
GAME DAYS: DECEMBER - FEBRUARY

Upward Basketball is beginning their fifth season of K-6th grade basketball this Fall! Upward Basketball is designed to build athletic skills, character, confidence, and spirit. It provides a great experience that grows with young athletes over time by using an age appropriate format. Sign up by October 9 for an early registration discount of \$115. The full registration price is \$135. Evaluations begin October 23.

REGISTER ONLINE: [CHRISTCHURCHSL.ORG/UPWARD](http://CHRISTCHURCHSL.ORG/UPWARD)



## PRAYERS

*In Our Prayers:*  
Kristin Johnson

*Our Love & Sympathy:*

Wes and Ellie Whiddon on the death of their son;  
Steve and Susan Jaroszewski on the death of his father;  
Al and Karen Fountain on the death of her mother;  
Ben and Amy Lansford on the death of their relative;  
Bill and Robbin Mallett on the death of his grandmother

*Prayers of Joy:*

Tomi Belgard; Claire Unger's friend

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

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

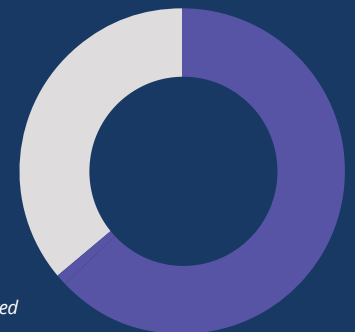
Received this week: **\$41,459**

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

Projected Year-to-Date: **\$1,999,322**

Received Year-to-Date: **\$1,986,447**

Giving may be made, scheduled, or reviewed at any time at [christchurchsl.org/give](http://christchurchsl.org/give).





Join us in the parking lot this afternoon at 4 pm for our Blessing of the Animals service. We will celebrate and give thanks for the wonderful animals that God has blessed us with. Bring your leashed or crated animals so that you and they may receive a blessing. Those with pets who are unable to be physically present, or any whose animal companions have died, are also invited to bring a photo of their pet and join us as we celebrate the gift of our pets.

join us  
for...

### WOMEN OF DISTINCTION TEA

*Sunday, October 10 | 1 - 3 pm | Gathering Hall*

All women are invited to join us next Sunday in the Gathering Hall as we recognize Women of Distinction from our very own church. It will be a special time of devotion, fellowship and refreshments! We invite you to bring a children's book that will be donated to the Carol Vance Unit of the TDCJ. Free Childcare by reservation to [sarahs@christchurchsl.org](mailto:sarahs@christchurchsl.org). RSVP to [psbluestein@hotmail.com](mailto:psbluestein@hotmail.com).

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

*This Friday, October 8 | 6 - 10 pm | RM 210/211*

Parents, we would love to give you a Friday evening to yourselves! Each PNO includes a meal, crafts, movie time, and playtime. Cost is \$15 per child. Sign up by Thursday at [christchurchsl.org/pno](http://christchurchsl.org/pno).

### DIVORCE CARE

*Mondays, beginning October 18 | 6 pm meal, 6:30-8 pm sessions | RM 11/12*

Divorce Care is a 13-week, video-based support program aimed at providing significant information and resources to navigate this serious disruption to your and your family's life. We have unique programs designed for adults and for children ages 5-12, with nursery available for younger children. Please register at [divorcecare.org/groups/140588](http://divorcecare.org/groups/140588) or contact Pastor Michelle.

### FRESH SPRINGS GATHERING

Want to know more about what's happening in our denomination? A "Fresh Springs Gathering" of the Texas Wesleyan Covenant Association, a traditionalist renewal group, will be held on Saturday, October 23, at Kingwood UMC with national and regional leaders speaking, including Keith Boyette, Carolyn Moore, Bishop Bob Hayes and Pastor Temple. To learn more or register, visit the group's new website at [www.texwca.org](http://www.texwca.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](http://CHRISTCHURCHSL.ORG/LIVESTREAM).*



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