

Christ 
Community Church

Love God. Love People. Love Gainesville.

Praise the Risen King

WELCOME

We are glad you chose to worship with us today. No matter what your previous experience with church may be, it is our hope that today's service will be a fresh encounter with God's love and power for your life. This folder will guide you as we worship together.

**Welcome to Christ Community Church!
If you are visiting with us today,
please stop by the welcome desk in the foyer.**



Seeking Christ's Kingdom in West Gainesville

Our construction project continues to progress! We are building an addition that includes a new, 600-seat sanctuary, expanded lobby and meeting spaces, an expanded children's area, offices and additional classroom space. The project will also include a second entrance and more parking. We praise God for his provision and honor the hard work, leadership, and sacrificial giving of so many that have brought us this far. Thank you!

Defining Moments is a two-year strategic giving initiative for the future of Christ Community Church and the kingdom in Gainesville. We are developing the rest of our property and building an addition to our current building. We want to create a space for others to be invited to Christ's banquet while also holding on to the distinctives that have made Christ Community such a beautiful place to belong.

To learn more, or to give towards this initiative, visit cccgainesville.com/defining-moments.



SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

*All music by permission CCLI #2054302) *Please silence your cell phones at this time.
CCC-Guest WiFi Password: Matthew7:7*

9:30 am - *Worship*

9:30 am - *Children's Sunday School*

11 am - *Worship*

11 am - *Children's Sunday School (Birth -5th)*

Prelude

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 62:5-8

Leader: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.

**UNISON: He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

**On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.**

Leader: Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.

Prayer of Invocation

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Words: Christian Bateman, 1843. Music: Traditional Spanish folk melody.

Come, Christians, join to sing. Alleluia, amen.
Loud praise to Christ our King. Alleluia, amen.
Let all with heart and voice before his throne rejoice;
Praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia, amen.

Come, lift your hearts on high. Alleluia, amen.
Let praises fill the sky. Alleluia, amen.
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend.
His love shall never end. Alleluia, amen.

Praise yet our Christ again. Alleluia, amen.
Life shall not end the strain. Alleluia, amen.
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore;
Singing forevermore. Alleluia, amen.

I Will Arise And Go To Jesus

Words: Joseph Hart, 1759. Music: William Walker, 1835, arr. CCC 2012.

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love and pow'r.

Refrain:

*I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior
Oh, there are ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.

Refrain

View him prostrate in the garden,
On the ground your maker lies;
On the bloody tree behold him,
Sinner, will this not suffice?

Refrain

Lo! th' incarnate God ascended
Pleads the merit of his blood.
Venture on him, venture wholly;
Let no other trust intrude.

Confession:

UNISON: Father, forgive us our sin for Jesus' sake, and grant that we might walk in the ways of love and justice, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Comfort: Hebrews 10:19-23

Leader: Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

UNISON: Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Living Hope

Arranged by: Brian Johnson & Phil Wickham, 2017.

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Refrain

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory!

Refrain

Greeting One Another & Children's Dismissal

Please greet those around you. Children are dismissed to Children's Church at this time.

Care for Birth - 5th grade is available all morning.

(Please encourage children to walk calmly to class.)

Tithes & Offerings: Jesus, Cast a Look on Me

The offering is a time to not only give of your possessions but also to give yourself to God.

Use this time to reflect, meditate and respond to what God is doing in your life.

Visit cccgainesville.com/give

Doxology

Thomas Ken, 1674.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sermon Text: John 16:1-22, 33

¹ “I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³ And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ⁴ But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you. “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹² “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁶ “A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” ¹⁷ So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” ¹⁸ So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” ¹⁹ Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? ²⁰ Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹ When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²² So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ³³ I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Sermon: Abiding Peace and Unending Joy

Richard Horner

1. Two departures

A. Jesus will descend into the grave, but...

B. Jesus will return to the Father, but...

2. Two take-aways

Our God Will Go Before Us

Words and Music: Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa, 2023.

Our God will go before us
and guide us by his presence
What confidence this promise is:
we will never walk alone

Through unknown paths, through shadows,
our hearts fear not tomorrow
For ev'ry step, his faithfulness
is the truth that lights our way

Refrain

*Our God will go before us
The Lord of Hosts is with us
Oh, praise the one who leads us on,
for his grace will bring us home*

Though evil forms against us,
all heaven will defend us
The gates of hell shall not prevail,
for the battle is the Lord's

Refrain

Now send us with your presence,
and lead us on to heaven,
where songs of sorrow strain no more,
and our ev'ry breath is praise
oh, let our ev'ry breath be praise!

Refrain (2x)

Pastoral Prayer

Mae Dodd - Africa

Jason Peters

Benediction

Dismissed with God's Blessing





MISSIONARY
SPOTLIGHT

Mae Dodd

*Intern at Impact Africa
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PRAYER

Requests



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SCANNING THE QR CODE

VBS 2026 Amazon Wishlist



Summer 2026 Save the Date

June 8-13 - High School Camp

June 15-19 - VBS

July 6-10 - Middle School Camp

July 13-17 - Art Camp for Girls Week 1

July 20-24 - Art Camp for Girls Week 2

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WELCOME TO CHRIST COMMUNITY

Please drop this card in the offering
box as you leave today.

We would love to help you get
connected at Christ Community!

Tell us about yourself!

Check the box that applies to you.

- Local Guest
- Member/Regular Attendee
- Out of Town Guest

How can you get connected?

*I would like more information
about...*

- Children's Ministries
- Community Groups
- Next Steps Class
- Church Events
- Youth
- College
- Men's/Women's Ministry
- Local Missions/Service
- Music and Tech
- Set-up & Tear-down Team

Please provide us with your
information so we may contact you
with further details.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I want to receive weekly emails.

