

This Week at CHRIST CHURCH

Mon	5/18	7:30am	Men's Longbeach Breakfast (Longbeach Cafe)
		9:00am	Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
		10:15am	Deacon Meeting (Palm Room)
		1:30pm	Session "S" Team (Palm Room)
			Grapevine Deadline
Tues	5/19	9:00am	Session (Palm Room)
Wed	5/20	10:00am	Women's Bible Study (Palm Room)
		12:00pm	Spring Lunch (Beach House Restaurant)
Fri	5/22	10:00am	Women's Stretching (Narthex)

Reminder: The office will be closed for Memorial Day (May 25th).
The office will also be closed on Thursday, May 28th.



CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Pastor
Robert S. Romanski, Director of Music
Chris Westfall, Organist
Nancy Prezbindowski, Office Manager
Claudio Evaristo (Craus Corp.), Facility Steward

Our Sanctuary is equipped with a T-Loop for the aid of hearing device users.
Church Office & Library Hours: Monday – Thursday • 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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Growing in Jesus' Name



Springtime Sunset from Longboat Key

May 17, 2026 10:00 a.m.
7th Sunday of Easter

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 17, 2026 ~Seventh Sunday of Easter

Please remember to **turn off your cell phone.**

***Please rise in body or in spirit**

Prelude *“Processional in C”* Arr. Hal H. Hopson

The prelude is offered as an invitation to prepare for worship.

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Pastor

Call to Worship (from Psalm 118)

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

All: God’s steadfast love endures forever!

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***Hymn #469** *“Morning Has Broken”*

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, you created us not only for work, but for rest; not only for duty, but for delight in you. We confess that we resist the gift of Sabbath, trusting our own efforts more than your grace. We fill our days with striving and distraction. Forgive us, we pray, for the ways we neglect rest, ignore wonder, and fail to make space for worship, joy, and renewal. Teach us again to honor your holy rhythms, that we may rest in your mercy and delight in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(a time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Congregational Response #122** *“Thine Is the Glory”*

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;

Endless in the victory Thou o’er death hast won.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 92:1-8, 12-15

Burt Borgelt, Reader

Solo *“Come, Holy Spirit”* Gaither/Buchanan

Pam Snauweart, Soprano

Second Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:14-21

Sermon “Foundation of Delight”

Dr. Piermont

***Hymn #489** *“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”*

***Easter tide Affirmation of Faith** (from Peter’s affirmation in Acts 10)

“God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; Jesus went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by handing him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Offering

Call for the Offering

Offertory *“Andantino”* Gabriel Faure

***Doxology #121** *“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”*

*O Jesus, King of gentleness Do all our inmost hearts possess,
And we to You will ever raise The tribute of our grateful praise.*

***Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Offerings**

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (“debts” and “debtors”)

***Hymn #368** *“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”*

***Benediction**

Postlude *“Allegro”* Domenico Scarlatti

The postlude is the final Alleluia of the worship service.

Please defer conversation to the fellowship hall.

Thank you kindly. We look forward to greeting you at fellowship time.

Why Go It Alone?

Supporting each other within and beyond our walls

Every Day Support

Prayer Chain: In crisis or in calm, our Christ Church Prayer Chain is always available for those who are in need of prayer. Our Prayer Chain members are faithful, willing and eager to pray daily for your requests. May each of you know the peace that our Savior offers. Direct your request to

Karen Jennings: (610) 733-9755 or karenjennings1239@gmail.com

Shirley Venkataraman: (931) 260-0774 or shirleyvenk@hotmail.com

Deacons: Our Deacons are available to help and support in a compassionate, confidential way, anyone going through life struggles. Contact: Kathy McLean, Karen Gardiner, Missie Kaul, Joey Cheek or George Rauch or Julie Albert. In addition, using elements consecrated in CCLBK's celebration of the Lord's Supper communion, Deacons can provide Home Communion to members who are local but unable to attend worship. Please contact: Kathy McLean or Debra McKenna.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Knitted by our members, these are given as a blessing to those experiencing illness, injury, grief, or other need. To suggest a church member to receive a shawl, please contact Debra McKenna (941) 284-5333 or Kathy McLean (941) 704-3633.

Sunday Support

Children's Nurture: Activities for children are available on the children's ministry table in the narthex. We hope these activities allow children to share in the love of Christ.

Prayer Requests: Submit a prayer request to be kept in confidence by the Deacons or Prayer Chain by 1) using the card/envelope in the Friendship Pad, placing it in an offering plate; or 2) clicking the button near the bottom of the Weekly News church email.

Pray with a Deacon after worship: A Deacon is ready to pray with individuals following worship. Please go to the Prayer Room door after the postlude.

Mission Partners: Agape Flights, Beth El, ECHO, EFELT, Harvest House, Hope Seeds, Easterseals Ranch, Our Daily Bread, Presbyterian USA World Mission, Selah Freedom, Mobility Worldwide, and Turning Points. Please view the display tables in the Fellowship for more information

Card Ministry: Please stop by the Coffee Bar to sign condolence, get well, thinking of you, and birthday cards for our Church family and friends. To suggest someone who might enjoy receiving a greeting card, please contact Bennie Dods at (941) 952-8196 or missbennie1@gmail.com.

Announcements 5/17/2026

The Chancel arrangements are given by Ada & Curtis Thomson in honor of Christ Church, Julia, the congregation & the ministries.

WELCOME ONE & ALL! Whether you are in the area for a few days or full-time, we invite you to explore the myriad of ways our congregation seeks to be "growing in Jesus' name." We hope you feel right at home!

Please take note of our **ACTIVITY and MISSION PARTNER TABLES** in the Fellowship Hall. You'll find our [Sign Up Sheets](#) there.

For our **latest updates** and easy links to livestream and more, please sign up for our Thursday weekly email. (1) Go to www.ChristChurchofLBK.org (2) scroll to the bottom, (3) enter your email address. *Thank you!*

Men's Longbeach Breakfast group will be meeting every Monday at Longbeach Cafe in Whitney Plaza at 7:30am throughout the summer. If you have any questions please contact Bill Johnson 941-993-8123. You will still have time afterwards to attend the Men's Bible study at 9:00am.

Men's Weekly Bible Study is studying "Life Lessons from Daniel & Esther" by Max Lucado. Fellowship Hall, **Mondays, 9:00am**

The final **Women's Bible Study** session before our summer break will be this **Wednesday at 10:00 am** in the Galilee House Palm Room. Our study is: "Jeremiah: Daring to Hope in an Unstable World" by Melissa Spoelstra. This 6 week study examines God's words of instruction through the prophet Jeremiah and provides guidelines to navigate challenges and circumstances of life by putting hope in God alone. An option to attend by Zoom is available. For information, contact Vivian Chester at vivianchester10@yahoo.com or (941) 961-8659.

At-Home or Office Volunteer Opportunity! We are in need of a few volunteers to take turns keeping our worship attendance records and/or follow up with visitors (notes or phone calls). Tasks may be completed at home or in the office. All training and support provided. To learn more or to volunteer, please contact Julia Piermont or Nancy Prezbindowski in the office. Thank you!

Chancel Flowers: Sign up sheets are out to give flowers to grace our chancel each Sunday through summer. [Please sign up!](#) or contact Barbara Grimes by calling or texting at 865-384-0569.

Our Daily Bread: Cereal, canned tuna, chicken, meats, dry pasta, peanut butter & jelly, condiments, toilet paper, diapers (sizes 3-6). Your generosity helps feed families in need. Please place in ODB box in Fellowship Hall.

Library News: Stop in to the library and grab some exciting pool and beach novels from the basket on the table! For your young visitors, we have kids books in the library on a bottom shelf labeled Kids Korner as well as in Fellowship Hall on a colorful cart near the piano. Library hours: Mon-Thurs 8-2 and Sunday before and after service.

Logo Name Badges. Name badges may be ordered at a cost of \$10. Order forms are available at the Welcome Desk. If you have never received a Christ Church name badge, the first one is our gift to you (no cost).

Exciting Course on Peacemaking this Summer

Do you have conflict in your life? Join us Wednesday, June 3 at 10:00am for a course on Peacemaking: Biblical Principles to resolving personal conflict. This course will be six weeks, from June 3– July 8 and will be 1.5 hours. In person or Zoom will be available. Details will be at the activities table where you can sign up or ask questions. You can also call Barbara Grimes 865-384-0569.



Spring Lunch! Beach House Waterfront Restaurant!

Join us for good food, fun and fellowship!

We are having a spring lunch at Beach House Waterfront Restaurant and we would love for you to join us!

We will meet at the Beach House Restaurant
on **May 20th at 12:00pm.**

Sign ups will be available May 3rd, 10th and 17th at the activities table or you can contact Judy Ebrahim at jbrahim118@gmail.com

