

## *This Week at* CHRIST CHURCH

Mon	7/13	7:30am	Men's Longbeach Breakfast (Longbeach Cafe)
		9:00am	Men's Bible Study (Palm Room)
Tues	7/14	9:00am	Fellowship (Zoom)
Wed	7/15	12:00pm	Summer Lunch ( Lo' Key Grille)
Sun	7/19	10:00am	Worship (Sanctuary)
		11:20am	Bring on the Ministry Presentation (Sanctuary)



### 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*



**CHRIST CHURCH**  
OF LONGBOAT KEY  
PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)



*"The Sermon on the Mount"* by Harold Copping

**July 12, 2026 10:00 a.m.**

*7th Sunday after Pentecost*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 12, 2026 ~ 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

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

**Prelude** *"I Sing Praises To Your Name"* Terry Mac Alman

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

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Pastor

**Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 119)

One: How sweet are your words to our taste, O Lord,  
Sweeter than honey to our mouths!

**All: Through your precepts we gain understanding;  
Therefore we hate every false way.**

One: Your Word is a lamp to our feet  
And a light to our path.

**All: Accept our offerings of praise, O Lord,  
And give us light according to your Word!**

**\*Hymn #288** *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

Gracious God, You call us not only to worship you with our lips but to love one another with our lives. We confess that we allow anger to linger, speak words that wound, and turn away from opportunities to seek peace. Forgive us when pride keeps us from reconciliation and fear keeps us from taking the first step. Create in us clean hearts, renew right relationships, and teach us to live as people who have received your mercy. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who reconciles us to you and to one another. Amen.

(a time for silent confession)

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\* Congregational Response**

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me*

*And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me*

*And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*

Prayer for Illumination

Bill McClure

First Scripture Reading Leviticus 19:1-3, 17-18

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 5:17-26

Sermon "Beyond Right"

Dr. Piermont

**\*Hymn #261** *"God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical Version)

**Offering**

**Call for the Offering**

**Offertory** *"Blessed Assurance"* arr. Dino Kartsonakis

**\*Doxology** tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Be honor, praise, and glory given,  
By all on earth and all in heaven.*

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

**Prayers of the People**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** ("debts" and "debtors")

**\* Hymn #361** *"How Firm a Foundation"*

**\* Benediction**

**Postlude** *"When We All Get To Heaven/I Will Enter His Gates"*

*arr. Dino Kartsonakis*

*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*

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### 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, Bring on the Ministry, ECHO, EFELT, Harvest House, Hope Seeds, Easterseals Ranch, Our Daily Bread, PC(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 7/12/2026

**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](http://www.ChristChurchofLBK.org) (2) scroll to the bottom, (3) enter your email address. *Thank you!*

**Grapevine Newsletter Deadline** is July 20th.

**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.

**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. Open dates are: 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, and 8/30.

The **Peacemaking class** will not meet July 15, but will resume on the 22nd.



**CCLBK CHURCH LUNCH**  
**WEDNESDAY JULY 15 at 12:00**  
**NOON**  
**Lo' Key Island Grille**  
**5620 Gulf of Mexico Drive**  
**(Entrance on Tarawitt Drive, the first street just NW of Harry's)**  
**LAST DAY Please sign up!**

## Summer Sermon Series

Dr. Piermont's sermon series, GENESES, will resume on July 26th. In eight sermons between Memorial Day and Labor Day, Dr. Piermont is exploring ways our relationship with God begins, develops, and endures, as seen in some of the extraordinary stories of Genesis.

Jun 7	Adam & Eve – Gen 3	Aug 2	Jacob – Gen 29
Jun 14	Abraham – Gen 18	Aug 9	Jacob – Gen 33
Jun 28	Isaac – Gen 24	Aug 30	Joseph – Gen 45
Jul 26	Jacob – Gen 28	Sep 6	Joseph – Gen 50

**Men's Longbeach Breakfast** group is 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 through July 20**. After this study the Men's Bible Study will take a summer break.

**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. Our Daily Bread is in NEED of summer volunteers! To learn more, go to <https://www.ourdailybreadofbradenton.org/>. To volunteer, please call 941-745-2992.

**Nominating Committee seeks your suggestions!** Please submit your suggestions for potential Christ Church elders, deacons, or nominating committee members. A description of the responsibilities can be found on the Suggestion Form. Forms are available at the Welcome Desk or via the Eblast button. **Deadline is July 25th**. We thank you for your suggestions AND your prayers.



## "Bring on the Ministry" Coming to Christ Church on July 19 Director to Speak after Worship

Join the congregation on July 19 to hear the exciting story of our newest Mission Partner – Bring on the Ministry, and to learn of the many opportunities that exist to volunteer. After the service, Melinda Zarzycki-Harris, Director of BOTM, will describe the wide range of services for the homeless that the agency performs.

Unlike agencies that require the homeless to come to their facilities, BOTM goes to where the homeless are, with needed services such as information on how to access food banks, assistance with daycare, private showers in a traveling van, help with insurance and social security questions, wash and dry services for clothes, and more.

The program will begin shortly following the regular Sunday service and everyone is invited to attend.

