

This Week at CHRIST CHURCH

Sun	9/27	10:00am	Worship (Sanctuary)
Mon	9/28	7:30am	Men's Longbeach Breakfast (Longbeach Cafe)
Tues	9/29	9:30am	Worship Committee (Zoom)
Wed	9/30	1:30pm	Session/Deacons Prayer Course (Palm Room)
Thurs	10/1	10:30am	Session/Deacons Prayer Course (Zoom)
Sun	10/4	10:00am	Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

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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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CHRIST CHURCH
OF LONGBOAT KEY
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September 27, 2026 10:00 a.m.

WEEDS & SEEDS: PARABLES FROM MATTHEW 13 Part 3

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

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

Prelude “*Air On A G String*” J.S. Bach Nathan Boock, Guest Organist

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: Blessed be God whose word gives hope
And shapes our dreams,

All: Whose love has conquered death.

One: Blessed be God who orders our way
And guides our steps

All: Leading us into life.

***Hymn #263** “*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*”

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable
judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We forget that
your power is hidden in all things. Forgive us, we pray, for
failing to watch for you, working out your purposes.
Transform our short-sighted imaginations, that we may
relent from hasty judgments and see the world with the eyes
of your grace. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

(a time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

*** Congregational Response** (sing twice—music on blue card in hymnals)

Glory to God, whose goodness has shined 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 Wartinbee, Reader

First Scripture Reading Psalm 119: 129-136

Solo “*Lord of All Hopefulness*” traditional Irish melody text: Jan Struther
Dennis Piermont, Voice & Guitar

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 13: 31-32, 34-35

Sermon “How We Size Up” Dr. Piermont
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***Hymn #267** “*All Things Bright and Beautiful*”

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed (Ecumenical Version)

Offering

Call for the Offering

Offertory “*Goodness of God*”

***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 #261** “*God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*”

*** Benediction**

Postlude “*Hornpipe*” from *Water Music* G.F. Handel

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.