

WHO WE ARE

Christ Episcopal Church is an inclusive faith community, based on the understanding that we do not presume to judge others but rather seek to honor young and old, male and female. We are unified by the common goal of seeking the love, acceptance, forgiveness and transforming power of Jesus Christ.

We hope that you will accept our open invitation to worship with us. Be assured that you are welcome, and will be valued in our spiritual community.

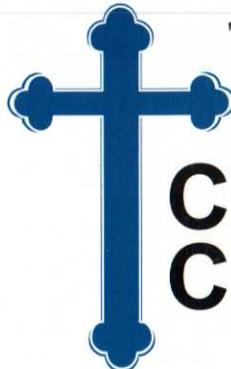
*May The
Peace
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WHAT WE VALUE ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH

In a survey sent to all members, they were asked to identify what they valued about Christ Episcopal Church. The responses were very similar. Nearly everyone identified three areas that mattered: Life in community, Life in worship, and the openness and acceptance. They treasured

- ◆ *"... the family atmosphere where everyone loves one another and genuinely cares for another*
- ◆ *"... that we are open to newcomers and new ideas."*
- ◆ *"... that we come from all walks of life. We don't always agree, but that's O.K. ... we are family."*
- ◆ *"... actively participating in the worship."*
- ◆ *"... our commitment to accept others ~ even when we struggle to do so."*
- ◆ *"... the permission to question and think for ourselves."*

"... the feeling I can invite anyone to church and they will be welcomed."



Christ Church

An Episcopal Congregation in Cordele, Georgia



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Always Open
For Prayer*



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THE MINISTERS OF CHRIST CHURCH

Some churches seem to be people gathered around a minister. Here at Christ Church, we believe that we are called to be a ministering community. We join together, lay persons, deacons, priests and bishops, in the life of worship and ministry.

We believe that each person has irreplaceable gifts, which are treasured and valued. We seek to serve each other and the larger community we have been placed within. We view ourselves as family, and participate together in the worship and work of the church.

EVERY SUNDAY

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| Family Worship with Communication | 9:00-10:00 a.m. |
| Coffee & Conversation | 10:00-10:15 a.m. |
| Sunday School | 10:15-11:00 a.m. |
| Family Worship with Communication | 11:00-12:00 a.m. |

EVERY THURSDAY

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| Worship & Communion casual dress is normal. | 6:00-6:45 p.m. |
| Family Supper - All expected | 6:45-7:45 p.m. |

EVERY WEEKDAY

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| Morning Prayer in the Chapel A quiet time of prayer and scripture reading where all are welcomed. | 7:30-8:00 a.m. |
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SUMMER WORSHIP ON THE WATER

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| On the Dock at Lake Blackshear Resort Memorial Day through Labor Day | 9:00-9:45 a.m. |
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www.worshiponthewater.org

WHAT WE BELIEVE

◆ Worship

We believe that gathering together to worship should be both joyous and a chance for encountering the Holy. The worship of the gathered community is the center of our life together.

◆ Hospitality

We understand that strangers are a gift to us as a faith community. We have been welcomed ourselves, and we welcome you, whether for an hour or for a lifetime. We know that your presence as a newcomer offers us new life, new gifts, and new ideas.

◆ Scripture

We accept the Bible as the Word of God, and we believe God still uses the Bible to speak to us. Reading and study, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit can help us to see how to gain purpose and meaning for our lives through a relationship with our Father as revealed in the person of Jesus, the Christ.

◆ Community

We value community as central to our faith journey. It's who we are as a church. This doesn't mean that we expect you to spend all your time at church. But we find that living in a community that knows and loves us enriches our life and gives the encouragement we need to deal with life. We know that we are not alone . . . in the community of God's people.

◆ Relationships

We want to build a lasting relationship with God, and with each other. In a world that says "Me" we treasure the relationships that say "We!"

◆ Diversity

If God doesn't make two snowflakes alike, we don't expect people to be alike. We treasure our difference as a gift, and will accept you for who you are.

WHAT CAN WE OFFER YOU?

Are you traveling through? Come share our worship or a meal to break your journey. You are welcome and the dress is casual.

Are you burdened, or sick, or in trouble? Allow us to pray with you and for you. We take prayer seriously here at Christ Church, and lift each other by name in prayer day by day.

Do you want a quiet place for prayer or reflection? Our church is open 24 hours a day for prayer, and our prayer garden has a quiet bench so that you can rest and enjoy its beauty.

Do you need to explore your Spirituality? No matter where you are on your own journey, Christ Church offers a safe place to ask questions and explore what you believe. We find a great source of spiritual strength in the worship of the Episcopal Church. Come explore the depths of centuries of Christian tradition.

Are you looking for a home? We invite you to come and see what life in community can offer. Come join us in the journey.

