



CHRIST THE KING

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Gospel Centered • Reverent Worship • Loving Community

OUR CORE BELIEFS

As a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), Christ the King Presbyterian Church is a confessional church, fully committed to living out in today's context the rich theology, piety, and practice of the historic Christian faith recovered at the Protestant Reformation, and best summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God's truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God's displeasure, except by His mercy.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life, sacrificial death, and resurrection atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God's people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

OUR CALLING

We are devoted to biblical worship

We believe that God alone determines how He should be worshiped and what is pleasing to Him. So when you join us for corporate worship, you will find every element directed by the Word of God. We read the Bible, preach the Bible, pray the Bible, sing the Bible, and give according to the Bible. We do this with reverence, with awe, and with great joy, knowing we are worshiping our Maker and our Savior. God has made us for worship. He has saved us for worship. He calls us to worship. Therefore, it is our joy to enter into God's presence to worship Him!

We are devoted to expository preaching

We believe the primary method in which God is pleased to save sinners and sanctify saints is through the proclamation of the Scriptures (Rom 10:15-17, 1 Cor 1:17-18). At Christ the King, we are delighted and devoted to having the whole counsel of God preached to us for our spiritual nourishment and growth in grace, by going consecutively through the books of the Bible.

We are devoted to the Lord's supper

As the early church was known for "the breaking of the bread" (Acts 2:42), so we participate in the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. We celebrate the Lord's Supper at the conclusion of our evening worship service as we "eat, drink and behold God" (Exodus 24:11). We believe the Lord's Supper is a vital part of the Christian life in which the Lord strengthens our faith and encourages us to keep pressing on.

We are devoted to corporate prayer

We know that Christ desires His church to be a "house of prayer" and that is exactly what we strive to be at Christ the King. Although God is pleased to answer His people's individual prayers, we believe corporate prayer to be essential to the life of the church. We acknowledge in prayer our utter helplessness and our complete dependence upon God. We gather as a family in prayer to seek our Heavenly Father's will for our good and His glory.

We are devoted to the Lord's Day

We believe that God has gifted us with Sunday, the day of Christ's resurrection, as a special day for our enjoyment. On this day we gather to worship God and enjoy fellowship with His people. Though we participate in other activities throughout the week as a church, we view the Lord's Day as the best day of the week.

We are devoted to biblical shepherding

We believe that Christ has appointed under-shepherds to feed, guide, guard, and to protect us as members of Christ's flock. The elders help us as individuals and as families to grow in the Christian faith. We acknowledge that we are prone to wander from the God we love, so we are thankful for the elders whom God has called to watch over our souls.

We are devoted to advancing Christ's Kingdom

We are not interested in merely being a holy huddle but desire to spread the Good News of Christ. Therefore, we are passionate about extending the Gospel to those who are in darkness. We believe that Christ will faithfully build His church through His people's lips and through their godly living. We are also committed to planting churches for the further extension of Christ's kingdom.

OUR COMMUNITY

Current Ministry Size

Members and average attendance

- 29 member families
- 80 average attendance morning
- 40 average attendance evening

Leadership

- 2 elders and 1 deacon in training. Expected to be installed/ordained at the particularization in January 2020.

In addition to living our lives together during the week, one of the things that is unique about Christ The King is our weekly fellowship meal every Lord's Day after the morning worship service. This gives our members a wonderful opportunity each week to be in each other's lives, encourage and love on each other, and have fellowship with God's people. It also is a wonderful opportunity to meet our visitors and guests.

OUR STORY

October 2012

The session at Grace Presbyterian Church in Stuart, FL called J.C. Cunningham to plant a mission church in Port Saint Lucie West, FL. Pastor J.C. held the very first weekly Bible study in his home.

August 2013

After nearly a year of gathering for home Bible studies, Christ the King launched its very first worship service.

August 2014

After a year of worshipping together in the evening, a morning worship service and a corporate prayer meeting were added. Christ the King moved to a new location for four years.

May 2018

By God's grace, we were able to purchase a church building and property on 2.6 acres in west Port Saint Lucie. We held our first worship services at the new property on June 10, 2018.

September 2019

Christ The King is now financially self-sufficient, has raised up church officers, and plans to particularize in January of 2020. Now that J.C.'s work of planting a mission church in Port Saint Lucie West is nearing completion, Pastor J.C. announced that the Lord is leading him to plant another mission church in Boca Raton, FL, beginning in April of 2020. This new church will be a joint mission church of Christ the King and Grace Presbyterian.

January 2020

Christ the King plans to particularize. Pastor J.C will be named stated pulpit supply until his new work in Boca Raton begins in April 2020.

April 2020

Christ the King's first Senior Pastor to be installed. Pastor J.C. begins new mission church, Trinity Presbyterian Church, in Boca Raton.

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR IN OUR FIRST SENIOR PASTOR

We are looking for a pastor which shares the same Philosophy of Ministry as our founding pastor, and who will continue the work already begun at Christ The King and bring us to the next step in the life of our church.

To that end, applicants should review the following requirements and qualifications of what we are looking for in our new Pastor. Please submit along with your MDF answers to the following questions:

1. Are you committed to The Regulative Principle of Worship and a Simple Means of Grace ministry? YES NO
2. Are you committed to the church having Morning and Evening worship services? YES NO
3. Are you committed to consecutive expository preaching through books of the Bible as the norm? YES NO

4. Are you committed to the church having a weekly corporate prayer meeting?
YES NO
5. Are you committed, in conjunction with the elders, to regular pastoral visitation?
YES NO
6. Do you participate in regular family worship? YES NO
7. Do you believe in a literal Six Day creation? YES NO
8. Are you in agreement with the Nashville Statement, and if not, why?
YES NO
9. Do you believe work and commerce should be discouraged on the Lord's Day?
YES NO
10. Do you fully subscribe to The Westminster Standards? If not, please explain your exceptions. YES NO

TIMEFRAME

It is anticipated that our new pastor will start around April 2020.

SUBMISSION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Please submit your completed PCA Ministerial Data Form (MDF)* along with a copy of this document with the above questions answered, via email, to:

Pulpit Committee Vice Chairman – Bruce Schauer
Email – bschauer080102@gmail.com

*MDFs can be obtained by following the instructions on the PCA website – <https://www.pcaac.org/get-involved/pastor-search-information/pastors-open-to-a-new-call/>