

Spiritually Flourishing Together CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christ Presbyterian Church has a heart for the Lord Jesus Christ, the lost of the world, and those in need in the Greater Barnwell community. Its covenant partners spiritually flourish together as they engage its communities through the Lordship of Jesus Christ. We seek to engage others through God's sovereign transforming power, trusting his Holy Spirit to change lives. We depend on the movement of the Spirit to repair relationships through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and meet specific identified needs that keep his love, peace, and joy from being fully realized.

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Over the next five (5) years, Christ Presbyterian Church will follow the Lord's lead and prompting. We will live out Psalm 23, receiving God's provision as we serve our internal and external communities. We will trust in His wisdom and guidance to develop positive substantive change that will result in His glorification and the growth of His Kingdom.

Christ Presbyterian seeks the Senior Pastor the Lord Jesus Christ has selected to lead it through His vision; the one chosen to help it engage its community in mission and ministry.



ABOVE: Historic Boiling Springs Chapel

The property includes a 30-seat sanctuary, a Sunday School Building and a small cemetery. A nearby property includes another historic building, the Boiling Springs Schoolhouse, which is used for gatherings.

BELOW: Christ Presbyterian Church

Located at 848 Hagood Avenue, Barnwell, SC



GOD DREAMS

In January 2023, Christ Presbyterian began discerning its next season of mission and ministry in service to its Lord Jesus Christ. A six-member Vision Team identified the church's missional mandate, affirmed its values, and established a discipleship strategy for encouraging the faith of its covenant partners. It would go on to develop a five-year plan to engage its community for the growth of Christ's Kingdom.

In February 2024, Christ Presbyterian's Session adopted the resulting "God Dreams", and plans are currently underway to implement the resulting 90-Day Foreground Initiatives, which include holding ALPHA courses and an AXIS / Parent Support Group.

OUR MISSIONAL MANDATE

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OUR VALUES

Gospel Driven

Description: Faith-based worship through Word, Song, and Action.

Spiritual Support: Psalm 102:12

Mission Minded

Description: Use of gifts and callings to focus outwardly.

Spiritual Support: Philippians 2:1-2

Prayerful Support

Description: Encouraging others through prayer, support, and presence.

Spiritual Support: 2 Corinthians 1:11

Invitational Spirit

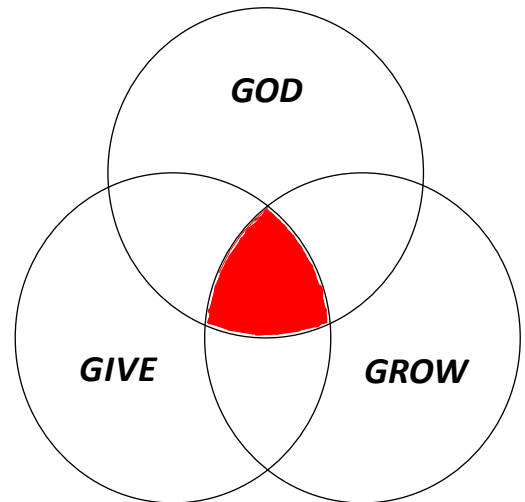
Description: Inspired to bring others to Christ through a loving Spirit.

Spiritual Support: Hebrews 13:2

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

Luke 10:27

OUR DISCIPLESHIP STRATEGY



GOD is to be foremost in our lives, worshipping Him with our whole being and all the time.

Because of His love, we are to be intentional to **GROW** our faith through prayer and study.

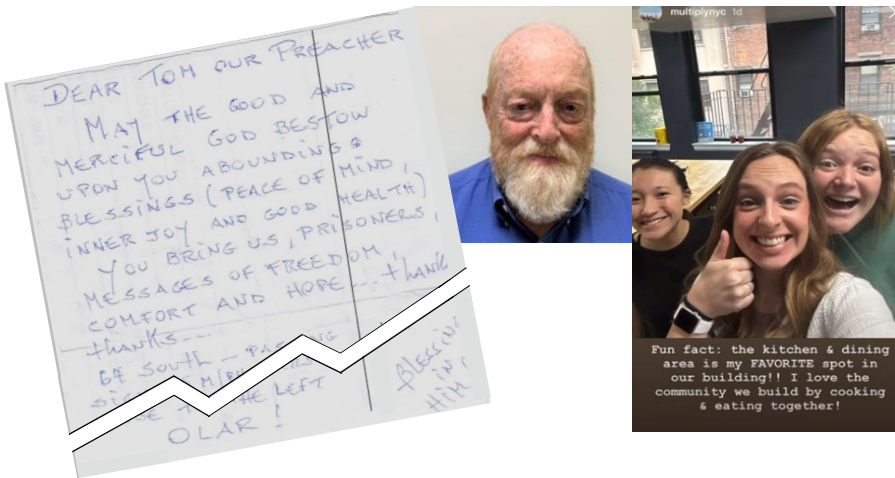
His love and our faith should prompt us to **GIVE** of ourselves in time, talent, and treasure.

Members strive to live in the sweet-spot where all three circles intersect.

WHO WE ARE

Christ Presbyterian is a “praying” church . . . Covenant partners routinely lift up those in need of prayer. A prayer list is updated weekly and emailed to everyone in the Congregation.

Christ Presbyterian is a “sending” church . . . sending the called into mission and ministry. Below is a note sent by an inmate, Olar, thanking Commission Lay Pastor Tom Cuny, who in April 2023 started a ministry at the Barnwell County Jail. Eleven (11) men have accepted Jesus as their Savior because of this ministry. “Thumbs up” is Katherine Palm who went on two (2) mission trips in 2023, one to Miami over spring break and the other to New York City during the summer. Christ Presbyterian helped her exceed her fundraising goal. In 2022, Covenant Partner Pam Nelson went on two mission trips to Kentucky and Poland.



Christ Presbyterian is a “caring” church . . . When Covenant Partner Bob Weis needed a new wheelchair ramp, the Church partnered with the wheelchair ministry at First Baptist Church to erect a new one. Christ Pres. volunteers razed the old one and the congregation raised all the money needed to pay for the new. Pictured below (left) is Bob & Betty Weis with Donna Rivett, and (right) the team from First Baptist.



OUR COMMUNITY

Barnwell is known as the Gateway to South Carolina’s Low Country. It is primarily a rural, agricultural community with 4500 residents in the incorporated city and 20,000 in the county. It is located 50 miles south and east of Augusta, Georgia.

HISTORY

Christ Presbyterian Church is a splint, a split from a former PCUSA church and a new church, which formed in August of 2016. It was chartered as an ECO church, a Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians, in January 2018. The pulpit was originally filled by lay leaders, the pastor from the former PCUSA church, and most recently two full-time ECO transitional pastors.

MEMBER STATS

- Covenant Partners: 40
- Weekly Attendance: 25
- Two locations
- Debt-free
- 2024 Budget: \$105,000
- Positive cashflow with a significant reserve

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

The business of the church is administered by a six-member Session and three ministry teams (Administrative, Discipleship, and Worship & Fellowship).

DISCIPLESHIP

- Adult Sunday School
- Wednesday Night Bible Study
- Ladies Bible Study
- Men’s Bible Study (an ecumenical group that meets at a local restaurant)
- Discipleship courses
- Sunday School and Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study are also offered via ZOOM



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MISSION & OUTREACH

- Community Soup Kitchen Partner
(current Covenant Partners originally established the Soup Kitchen while at the former church)
- Drive Thru Prayer
- ALPHA (in development)
- AXIS / Parent Support Group
(in development)
- Support Thornwell Children's Home, Samaritan's Purse and others
- Member of Barnwell County Ministerial Coalition
- Participation in community events such as the Sundial Festival

WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

- Worship occurs weekly at two locations, the main campus on Hagood Avenue and a historic property in Boiling Springs
- The Hagood Avenue services are streamed live on YouTube
- Communion is offered monthly at the main campus and quarterly at Boiling Springs
- Special services include Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Graduation Sunday, and Candlelight Christmas Eve
- Handbell Choir and special musical performances are presented throughout the year
- Fellowship dinners and events are held every other month

CALL OF FULL-TIME SENIOR PASTOR

Christ Presbyterian Church of Barnwell seeks to call as its next full-time Senior Pastor a person with the following attributes and qualifications:

- Follower of Jesus Christ, seeking Him in all aspects of life and reflecting His character in and beyond the walls of the church
- Committed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, sharing it with the lost and teaching it to His disciples
- Spirit-led preaching of the reformed theology
- Committed to ECO's essential tenets & polity
- Excited to lead and implement the church's "God Dreams"
- Serves as an effective shepherd, providing pastoral care to covenant partners and those hurting in the community
- Enjoys building Christian friendships in a positive, encouraging environment
- Brings a "big picture" perspective to the challenge of problem solving
- Demonstrates effective administrative skills organizing, energizing, overseeing, and delegating in a variety of mission and ministry opportunities
- Eager to foster collaboration with community leaders and pastors, and participation in community activities and events
- Qualified as determined by the standards of ECO including a Commissioned Lay Pastor 2, or having been ordained or working toward a Masters in Divinity
- Compensation includes salary, housing allowance, healthcare benefits, retirement, and other specified by ECO

CANDIDATE SUBMISSION

Those interested in the Senior Pastor position of Christ Presbyterian Church should submit their resume to:

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Applicants will be asked to take a PROSCAN assessment or submit the results of a recent PROSCAN. Additionally, a video of a recent sermon will be required.