

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 5, 2025 7:30am

GATHERING MUSIC Cheryl Smith

WELCOME & GREETING TIME Pastor Bob Haley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Cheryl

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" (JS Bach)

*CALL to WORSHIP

*OPENING PRAISE

#245 The First Noel

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Pastor Bob

#881 The Apostle's Creed

PRAISES

#249 There's a Song in the Air

#251 Go Tell It On the Mountain

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Bob

OFFERING

#250 Once In Royal David's City

*DOXOLOGY & OFFERING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Cheryl

Matthew 2:2-11

SERMON Rev. Dave St. Aubin

"Truth Seekers"

SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

#219 What Child is This

*CLOSING HYMN (The Altar is open for prayer at this time.)

#254 We Three Kings

*BENEDICTION

*Congregation stand if you are able.

CCLI #489431

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For the Prayer Chain, please send your prayer requests to **Chen Bell** at chenery79@gmail.com or 508-341-1066.

SERMON NOTES

"Truth Seekers"

1/5/25

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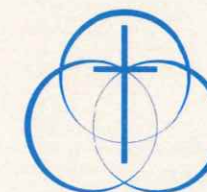


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9:00am

Welcome & Greeting Time - Pastor Bob Haley

Announcements

*Call to Worship - Pastor John Boggs

*Opening Praise

“Mighty to Save”

“Cornerstone”

“Reckless Love”

Children’s Chat - Pastor Dave St. Aubin

Children 5th Grade and under to Children’s Church

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer - Pastor Bob Haley

Offering & Dedication - Pastor John Boggs

“God You’re So Good”

Scripture Reading - Madison Leisenring

Matthew 2:1-11

Sermon - Rev. Dave St. Aubin

“Truth Seekers”

SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

*Closing Response (The Altar is open for prayer at this time.)

“King of Kings”

“The First Noel”

*Benediction

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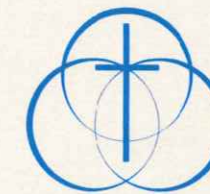
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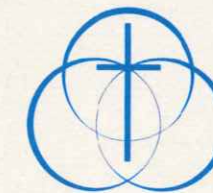


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SUNDAY 1/5

- 7:30a Early Riser Worship (S)
- 8:15a Coffee & Donuts Café (MH)
- 9:00a Family Worship (S)
- 9a & 10a Sunday School & Special Needs Classes
- 9a & 11a Children's Church (FLC)
- 11:00a Traditional Worship (S)
- 1:30p Grand Living at Wellen Park Worship Service (Chapel)
- 4:30p Middle School Youth (FLC)
- 5:30p High School Youth (FLC)

MONDAY 1/6

- 9:30a SOAP Group (MH24-25)
- 10:30a Church on the Go (Windsor)
- 3:00p Mission Festival Planning (MH24-25)
- 6:00p Companions in Christ Study (P)
- 7:30p AA 12-Step Coed (MH)

TUESDAY 1/7

- 9:30a Quilting for Missions (FLC)
- 1:00p Revival Prayer Group (PR)
- 2:00p Academy, CLASS 101 (MH24-25)

WEDNESDAY 1/8

- 10:00a Grief Support (MH)
- 3:00p Church on the Go - Advinia
- 3:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (PR)
- 5:00p Pastor's Bible Study (S)
- 6:00p Dinner (MH)
- 7:00p Choir Rehearsal (CR)

THURSDAY 1/9

- 7:30a Early Riser Men (MH22-23)
- 10:00a Handbell Rehearsal (CR)
- 10:30a Soul Sisters Group (P)
- 11:30a Orchestra Rehearsal (S)
- 2:00p The Imagery of Revelation (Grand Living)
- 6:30p Book of Revelation Study (MH13/14)
- 6:30p Praise Band Rehearsals (S)
- 6:30p Exploring Hebrews (P)
- 7:00p G.A. Support Group (MH24-25)

FRIDAY 1/10

- 7:30a Lawn & Garden Crew
- 10:00a Breakfast Church Ministry at the Train Depot
- 12:00p Al-Anon Support Group (MH24-25)
- 7:00p AA Men/Women Groups (MH24-25)

SATURDAY 1/11

- 8:00a Stephen Ministry Training (MH24-25)
- 10:00a Church on the Go (Venice Palms)

S - Sanctuary, PR - Prayer Room, CR - Choir Room | MH - Memorial Hall, P - Parlor | FLC - Family Life Center



New Bible Study Classes:

- **Study of Revelation**, join Ed & Brenda Fritz for an in-depth, verse-by-verse study. This ongoing class begins Thursday, Jan 9, at 6:30pm in MH13-14. Advance registration not needed.
- **Worldview Study**, six weeks, with Mike Mandt to better understand how Christianity offers a narrative of all of history. Begins Tuesday, Jan 14, 6:30-8 pm, MH22-23. Contact Traeclyn to reserve your space, 941-493-7504.
- **Forgiveness Study**, eight weeks, to aid in triumphing over hurts to grow in love. Starts Monday, Jan 20, 10:30 - 11:30 am, MH22-23. Lead by Nancy Kinney, 941-408-9798. Contact Nancy to sign up. Obtain \$9 study booklet from Traeclyn.
- **Study of the Holy Spirit**, six sessions, pastor and bestselling author Jim Cymbala explores the person and work of the Holy Spirit. Begins Monday, January 20 at 1:00 pm in MH24-25. Lead by Rich Hutter, contact for more info richhutt1@gmail.com.

Winter GROUPS Fair, Jan 19

Between church services, check out upcoming Bible study groups, fellowship ministries, and Sunday School classes to well-connect in 2025 (MH). Light refreshments served. For more information, contact Connections Director, Traeclyn Albright, Traeclyn@ChristVenice.com.

**January Services
Grand Living at Wellen Park**

Worship with us at services in the Chapel at 1:30pm on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sunday of each month. Also, a new weekly class begins this week at 2pm on Thurs, Jan 9, with a focus on the: Imagery of the Book of Revelation (Chapters 4-22). All are welcome.

**Rise Against Hunger
Next Sunday, January 12**

On Sunday, January 12 (following the 11am worship service), we welcome **Rise Against Hunger** to our church, which involves packaging 10,000 meals to help eliminate hunger and malnutrition around the world! Speak with Pastor Dave for information or sign up today in the Narthex!

**Christ Venice Church
Academy**

Join us for CLASS 101, Session One of the Christ Venice Church Academy this week at 2pm on Tues, Jan 7 in the Memorial Hall, Rooms 24-25. To register for the class, please contact Pastor Dave or Traeclyn Albright, Director of Connectional Ministries at the church office.



All States Dinner Planning Team

Next Wed, Jan 15 at 4pm

Our Annual All States Dinner is scheduled for Friday, March 28. Consider helping with organizational and volunteer needs by attending a planning meeting on Wed, Jan 15 at 4pm in the Parlor.

Sunday Afternoon Movie, Jan 19

"A Question of Faith" Come see a moving portrayal of forgiveness driven by true faith at work. Join us in Memorial Hall at 2pm. Popcorn as always! Nancy Kinney is hosting, 941-408-9798.

**Youth Trip ~ Rock the Universe
Jan 25-26**

This is the annual Christian Music Festival held at Universal Studios Orlando. Our youth are encouraged to sign up and bring a friend. \$100 per student, RSVP by Jan 17. Contact **Megan Grabo** at Megan@ChristVenice.com.

**GRANDPARENTING SUMMIT
9 am - 4:30 pm, Friday, Feb 21**

Join us for the Legacy Grandparenting Summit Conference at Christ Venice Church (MH). The theme for this Legacy Coalition Summit is to empower grandparents to embrace their divine purpose and the crucial role they play in their families' spiritual journey. The Legacy Coalition supports grandparenting through training, discussion, and seminars. For more information and additional resources, visit LegacyCoalition.com/summit. Register to begin in early January.



We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to Donna Fernandez in the death of her husband, **Joe Fernandez**, and to David Kauth in the death of his wife **Carol Kauth**. We join together in an expression of love at this time.

ATTENDANCE		12-29-24			
7:30	Worship	65		Sunday School	20
9:00	Worship	172 + 82 online		Children	6
11:00	Worship	242 + 125 online		Youth	8
	Christmas Eve	868 (6,361 offering)		Special Needs	3
TITHES & OFFERINGS		12-29-24	YTD	INCOME EXPENSES	
General		25,674	1,609,563	Nov.	137,708 116,831
Reserve Fund		75	19,350	YTD	1,446,383 1,344,957
Missions (3/1-2/28)		2,410	207,195		