

Sermon Notes

Speaker:
Date:

Contact us at ChristVenice.com or 941-493-7504

Week of 10/4/2026

Worship Attendance

428

Discipleship

204

Tithes and Offerings:

General	10/11	YTD
	\$23,548	\$1,282,159
Missions (3/2026 - 12/2026)	\$ 5,761	\$ 122,531
	Sept	YTD
Income	\$ 95,918	\$1,241,104
Expenses	\$113,215	\$1,024,043

October 18, 2026

Welcome to
WORSHIP

celebrating
50 YEARS

CHRIST
VENICE CHURCH

1475 Center Road, Venice FL 34292

Christ VENICE CHURCH

Worship with us

October 18, 2026

*HYMN	Karen Johnson
“Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word”	
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Megan Grabo
*GREETING TIME	
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Megan
*SONG OF WORSHIP	
“Be Thou My Vision”	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	
Apostles’ Creed	
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER	Pastor Eric Ruoff
OFFERING	
Instrumental (8:00am)	
“Almighty Father” (11:00am)	Choir
*DOXOLOGY & OFFERING BLESSING	Pastor Eric
SERMON SERIES: Psalms—The Heart of the House	
“Open the Windows”	Pastor Bob Haley
Psalms 19, John 8:31-32	
*HYMN	
“Open My Eyes, That I May See”	
*BENEDICTION & BLESSING	Pastor Bob
*Congregation stand if you are able.	CCLI #489431

SUNDAY 10/18

8:00a Traditional Worship (S)
 8:30a Coffee & Treats (Gathering Grounds)
 9:30a Contemporary Worship (MH)
 9:30a New Kingdom Class (FLC)
 9:30a Children’s Church (MH23)
 10:30a Children’s Elevate Class (MH22)
 10:45a Sermon Discussion Class (MH13)
 11:00a Traditional Worship (S)
 11:00a Children’s Church (MH23)
 1:00p Leadership Board (FLC-28)
 5:00p Youth Group (MH)

MONDAY 10/19

9:30a Monday Morning Bible Study (S-LB)
 1:30p I John Study: Daily Fellowship (MH13)
 5:30p Women Alone but Never Alone (FLC2)
 7:30p AA 12-Step Coed (FLC)

TUESDAY 10/20

8:00a Rooted & Brave Homeschool (MH, etc.)
 9:00a Driftwood Homeschool (FLC8)
 9:00a Moms Prayer Group (MH-GG)
 9:30a Shawls of Prayer (FLC28)
 1:00p Prayer for the Church, America and Revival (S-PR)
 6:30p Midweek Soup & Pastors’ Study (MH)
 6:30p Youth & Children (MH-GG, MH23)

WEDNESDAY 10/21

9:00a Driftwood Homeschool (FLC8)
 10:00a Missions Team (FLC2)
 2:00p Women’s Bible Study of John (MH13)
 3:00p Church on the Go (Advinia)
 3:00p Intercessory Prayer Group (S-PR)
 6:30p Ensemble Rehearsal (S-CR)
 7:00p Choir/Cantata Rehearsal (S-CR)

THURSDAY 10/22 40 Days for Life - Sarasota

7:30p Early Riser Men’s Group (FLC2)
 9:00a Driftwood Homeschool (FLC8)
 9:00a Holloway Moms Group (MH-GG)
 11:00a Handbells Rehearsal (S)
 12:00p Orchestra Rehearsal (S)
 1:00p Art & Craft Fair Volunteers (MH-GG)
 6:15p The Gift of Empathy Study (MH13)
 6:30p Study of 2 Corinthians (MH-GG)
 7:00p G.A. Support Group (FLC28)

FRIDAY 10/23

7:30a Lawn & Garden Crew
 10:00a Breakfast Church at the Train Depot
 11:00a Memorial for Bill Orlando (S)
 12:00p Al-Anon Support Group (FLC28)
 7:00p AA Men/Women (FLC, FLC28)

SATURDAY 10/24

10:00a Church on the Go (Venice Palms)
 10:00a Ladies Brunch (MH)

Christ VENICE CHURCH

Fall Highlights

40 Days of Prayer
 Sarasota, Thurs, Oct 22

The Gift of Empathy
 Thurs, Oct 22

Ladies Brunch
 Sat, Oct 24

Friendship Brunch
 Sat, Oct 31

**GriefShare: Surviving
 The Holidays**
 Wed, Nov 4

Men's Breakfast
 Sat, Nov 7

**Art & Craft Fair for
 Missions**
 Sat, Nov 14

New Member Luncheon
 Sun, Nov 15

Thanksgiving Dinner
 Wed, Nov 25

Church Christmas Party
 Sun, Dec 6



LIFE AT Christ Venice

WORSHIP WITH US

8:00AM Traditional
9:30AM Contemporary
11:00AM Traditional



Operation CHRISTMAS CHILD

Oct. 11th-Nov. 15th

Take a box today! Details are in the box or scan this QR code for more information.
Goal is 400! Return to Memorial Hall
(Contemporary Worship Sanctuary).



WHAT'S NEXT

Gift of Empathy - STARTS THURSDAY

A 5-week insightful book discussion offering a fresh perspective on the power of empathy in relationships. \$15 book.

**OCT
22**
6:15pm

Ladies Brunch - SATURDAY

Join us for fun, fellowship, and faith inspiring gathering. This free event is for all ages. Sign up and we will save you a seat!

**OCT
24**
10am

Friendship Brunch - Sign up today

Join us for a morning of good food, friendship, and an inspirational teaching video on prayer from Pastor Jim Cymbala.

**OCT
31**
10am

Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays

The holidays can be difficult as you grieve the loss of a loved one? Join us, you are not alone. \$5 Participant Guide. Sign Up!

**NOV
4**
2pm

Men's Breakfast

We will discover ways to be more intentional in sharing our faith with the next generation. *Registration Required*

**NOV
7**
8:30am

SCAN THIS CODE TO SEE THE FULL CHURCH CALENDAR



Need Prayer? Contact Chen Bell at chenery79@gmail.com to be placed on our prayer chain.

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Ready To Take Your Next Step?

NEW HERE?



Start your journey with us. We would love to meet you! Stop by our table outside today to receive a first-time guest gift.

BAPTISM



Take your next step of faith! Ready to be baptized? We'd love to celebrate this meaningful moment with you.

MEMBERSHIP



Make Christ Venice your church home. Diatave? what it means to belong and become part of our church family.

FIND YOUR PLACE!



Serve, connect, and grow with others. Find a place to use your gifts, join a group, a serve team, or grow through a Bible study.

CONNECT TODAY!



Have questions or ready to take your next step? Traeclyn would love to meet you, help you get connected, and find your place at Christ Venice.

Traeclyn Albright | Connections
Traeclyn@ChristVenice.com

KIDS MINISTRY

A fun, safe, and engaging place where kids discover who Jesus is, grow in their faith, and know they belong!

Sundays | 9:30 & 11:00AM
Kindergarten-5th Grade
Nursery available as needed



Katie Kerns | Director
Katie@ChristVenice.com



Megan Grabo | Director
Megan@ChristVenice.com

STUDENTS

A place where students build real friendships, grow deeper in their faith, and discover what it means to follow Jesus in everyday life!

Sundays | 5:00-7:00PM
Middle & High School Students



We extend our deepest sympathy to JoAnne Stapleton in the death of her husband, **Jack Stapleton**, and join together in an expression of love at this time.