

Christ Church

Worshiping Christ and equipping God's people
to extend His Lordship
down through our generations
and out into the world.

Covenant Renewal Worship
Lord's Day, March 13, 2016
9:30 am

Meditation

If God be glorified, does it really matter where we are? What becomes of us is of small consequence compared with bringing glory to his great name. – C.H. Spurgeon

God Calls Us to Worship

Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

Philippians 2:9-11

O God Beyond All Praising

Trinity Hymnal 660

O God beyond all praising,
We worship You today
And sing the love amazing
That songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end;
We lift our hearts before You
And wait upon Your word,
We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior,
Accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favor
May serve You as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows
And rise to bless You still:
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 96

Leader: Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Congregation: Sing to the Lord, bless His name; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.

Leader: For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.

Congregation: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

Leader: Honor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Congregation: Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, give to the Lord glory and strength.

Leader: Give to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts.

Congregation: Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth. AMEN

Psalm 96A – Book of Psalms for Singing

¹ O sing a new song to the LORD;
All earth sing to the LORD.
Sing to the LORD, and bless His name;
“He saves!” each day proclaim.
His glory to all nations show;
His deeds let peoples know.

² The LORD is great. How great His praise!
Above all gods He’s feared.
For heathen gods are idols vain;
The LORD the heavens made.
Before Him honor, majesty,
And strength and splendor be!

³ O families of earth, ascribe
All glory to the LORD!
All strength ascribe unto the LORD;
The glory of His name
Give to the LORD.
To His courts come

And bring an offering.

Confession of Sin

Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, for I am desolate and afflicted. The troubles of my heart have enlarged; bring me out of my distresses! Look on my affliction and my pain, and forgive all my sins. **AMEN**
Psalm 25:16-18

Holy Lord,
we have sinned times without number,
and been guilty of pride and unbelief,
of failure to find Thy mind in Thy Word,
of neglect to seek Thee in our daily life.
Our transgressions and short-comings present us with a list of accusations,
but we bless Thee that they will not stand against us,
for all have been laid on Christ.
Deliver us from every evil habit,
every accretion of former sins,
everything that dims the brightness of Thy grace in us,
everything that prevents us taking delight in Thee.
Then we shall bless Thee, O Father,
for helping us to be upright.
For Christ's sake, **AMEN**

Assurance of Pardon

You have taken away all Your wrath; You have turned from the fierceness of Your anger... Show us Your mercy, Lord, and grant us Your salvation. **AMEN** *Psalm 85:3, 7*

Psalm 103A

Book of Psalms for Singing

¹ Bless the LORD, my soul; my whole heart
Ever bless His holy name.
Bless the LORD, my soul; forget not
All His mercies to proclaim.
Who forgives all thy transgressions,
Thy diseases all who heals;
Who redeems thee from destruction,
Who with thee so kindly deals.

² Who with love and mercy crowns thee;
Satisfies thy mouth with good,
So that even like the eagle
Thou art blessed with youth renewed.
In His righteousness Jehovah
Will deliver those distressed;
He will execute just judgement
In the cause of all oppressed.

³ He made known His ways to Moses,

And His acts to Israel's race;
Tender, loving is Jehovah,
Slow to anger, rich in grace.
He will not forever chide us
Nor will keep His anger still,
Has not dealt as we offended
Nor requited us our ill.

⁴For as high as is the heaven,
Far above the earth below,
Ever great to them that fear Him
Is the mercy He will show.
Far as east from west is distant
He has put away our sin;
Like the pity of a father
Has Jehovah's pity been.

Baptism of Zane Crawford

Intercessory Prayer

Yet regard the prayer of your servant and his supplication, O Lord my God, and listen to the cry and the prayer which Your servant is praying before You today: that Your eyes may be open toward this temple night and day, toward the place of which You said, 'My name shall be there,' that You may hear the prayer which Your servant makes... **AMEN**
1 Kings 8:28-29a

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN**

Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

God Consecrates Us with His Word

The Reading of the Scriptures

Mark 8:27-38

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: Building Christian Culture: One Person at a Time

Christ Shall Have Dominion

Trinity Hymnal 439

¹ Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
Earth's remotest regions shall his empire be;
they that wilds inhabit shall their worship bring,
kings shall render tribute, nations serve our King.

Refrain:

Christ shall have dominion over land and sea,
earth's remotest regions shall his empire be.

² When the needy seek him, he will mercy show;
yea, the weak and helpless shall his pity know;
he will surely save them from oppression's might,
for their lives are precious in his holy sight. [Refrain]

³ Ever and forever shall his name endure,
long as suns continue it shall stand secure;
and in him forever all men shall be blest,
and all nations hail him King of kings confessed. [Refrain]

⁴ Unto God Almighty joyful Zion sings;
he alone is glorious, doing wondrous things.
Evermore, ye people, bless his glorious name,
his eternal glory through the earth proclaim. [Refrain] **AMEN**

Sermon Notes & Prayer Requests

Building Christian Culture: One Person at a Time

Mark 8:27-38

Introduction

I. "Who do you say that I am?"

II. Suffering & Rising

III. Living through Dying

Conclusion

God Communes With Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Let us pray.

**Congregation: We do not presume to come to this Your table,
O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in Your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather the crumbs under Your table.
But You are the same Lord;
You ever love to show mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
So to eat the flesh of Your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink His cup,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His body,
and our souls washed through His most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. AMEN**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Trinity Hymnal 420

¹ At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who has washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

² Where the paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
paschal victim, paschal bread;

with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

³ Mighty victor from the sky,
powers of hell beneath thee lie;
death is conquered in the fight,
thou hast brought us life and light:
hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father, praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be. **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. **AMEN**
Matthew 5:14-16

Benediction

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Trinity Hymnal 385

God be with you till we meet again;
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again. **AMEN**