

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, August 28, 2016 9:30 AM

Meditation

I should as soon expect a farmer to prosper in business who contented himself with sowing his fields and never looking at them till harvest, as expect a believer to attain much holiness who was not diligent about his Bible reading, his prayers, and the use of his Sundays.

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GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth. 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. For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. **AMEN**

Psalm 96:1-4

Psalm 96A

Book of Psalms for Singing

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.

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!

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. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!
Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!

**Congregation: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you stars of light!
Praise Him, you heavens of heavens and you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for He commanded and they were created.**

Leader: He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away.
Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all the depths;
fire and hail, snow and clouds; stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
mountains and all hills, fruitful trees and all cedars;

**Congregation: Beasts and all cattle; creeping things and flying fowl;
kings of the earth and all peoples; princes and all judges of the earth;
both young men and maidens; old men and children.**

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted;
His glory is above the earth and heaven.

**Congregation: And He has exalted the horn of His people,
the praise of all His saints – of the children of Israel,
a people near to Him. Praise the Lord! AMEN**

Psalm 148

Book of Psalms for Singing

1 From heav'n O praise the LORD;
Ye heights His glory raise.
All angels, praise accord; let all His host give praise.
Praise Him on high, sun, moon, and star,
Sun, moon, and star, Ye heav'ns afar,
And cloudy sky.

2 Yea, let them glorious make
Jehovah's matchless name;
For when the word He spake they into being came.
And from that place where fixed they be,
Where fixed they be, by His decree
They cannot pass.

3 From earth O praise the LORD,
Ye deeps and all below;
Wild winds that do His word,
Ye clouds, fire, hail, and snow;
Ye mountains high, Ye cedars tall.
Ye cedars tall, Beasts great and small,

And birds that fly.

4 Let all the people praise,
And kings of every land;
Let all their voices raise
Who judge and give command.
By young and old, by maid and youth,
By maid and youth, His name in truth
Should be extolled.

5 Jehovah's name be praised
Above the earth and sky.
For He His saints has raised
And set their power on high.
Him praise accord, O Israel's race,
O Israel's race, near to His grace.
Praise ye the LORD. **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless,
And I shall be innocent of great transgression. **AMEN**

Psalm 19:12-13

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own
hearts.

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. **AMEN**

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. ...As far as the east is from the west,
so far has He removed our transgressions from us. **AMEN** *Psalm 103:8, 12*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Trinity Hymnal 508

1 Jesus, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high:
hide me, O my Savior, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last!

2 Other refuge have I none,
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah! leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head
with the shadow of thy wing.

3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
more than all in thee I find:
raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am,
thou art full of truth and grace.

4 Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within:
thou of life the fountain art,
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity. **AMEN**

The Nicene Creed

Trinity Hymnal, page 846

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;**

And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. **AMEN**

Intercessory Prayer

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer;
My God, my strength, in whom I will trust;
My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised;
So shall I be saved from my enemies. **AMEN**

Psalm 18:2-3

Leader Prays

Congregation: **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

Psalm 115

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

The Sermon

Daniel Ferrill “Loving Worship”

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator - Trinity Hymnal 97

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers, we bless you;
through life's storm and tempest our Guide you have been.
When perils o'ertake us, escape you will make us,
and with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer,
to you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,
to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise. **AMEN**

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: Merciful Father, we lift our eyes from the visible elements
even as we lift up our hearts to heaven itself, where Jesus Christ is,
seated on the right hand of the Father,
from where He shall come again to complete our redemption,
in whom all the promises of God are fulfilled,
and all spiritual blessings are to be found.
In joy of heart, in brotherly union,
in Christian love we come to partake of Your table,
giving thanks for the great love which You have shown to us
through Christ our Lord. AMEN**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

4 The church shall never perish!
Her dear Lord to defend,
to guide, sustain, and cherish
is with her to the end;
though there be those that hate her,
and false sons in her pale,
against or foe or traitor
she ever shall prevail.

5 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

6 Yet she on earth hath union
with the God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee. **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. **AMEN**
Colossians 3:16-17

Benediction

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen. **AMEN**

Trinity Hymnal 735