

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, July 9, 2017 9:30 AM

Meditation

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying,
"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness,
but have the light of life."

John 8:12

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

Psalms 96:1-4

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Trinity Hymnal 4

1 All praise to God, who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of wonders, pow'r, and love,
the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills,
the God who every sorrow stills.
To God all praise and glory!

2 What God's almighty pow'r hath made
his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning dawn or evening shade
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
within the kingdom of his might,
lo, all is just and all is right.
To God all praise and glory!

3 I cried to him in time of need:
Lord God, O hear my calling!
For death he gave me life indeed
and kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be;
O thank him, thank our God, with me.
To God all praise and glory!

4 The Lord forsaketh not his flock,
his chosen generation;
he is their refuge and their rock,
their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand
he leads his own, his chosen band.
To God all praise and glory!

5 Ye who confess Christ's holy name,
to God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim,
to God give praise and glory!
All idols underfoot be trod,
the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

6 Then come before his presence now
and banish fear and sadness;
to your Redeemer pay your vow
and sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell,
the Lord, my God, did all things well,
To God all praise and glory! AMEN

Responsive Reading

Te Deum Laudamus

Leader: We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
All the earth does worship You, the Father everlasting.

Congregation: To You all angels cry aloud;
the heavens and all the powers there.
To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry,
“Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.”

Leader: The glorious company of the apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of
the prophets praise You. The noble army of martyrs praise You. The holy Church
throughout all the world does acknowledge You; the Father of an infinite majesty; Your
honorable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost the comforter.

Congregation: You are the King of Glory, O Christ;
You are the everlasting Son of the Father...
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
You did open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Leader: You sit at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that
You shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray, help Your servants, whom
You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints
in glory everlasting.

Congregation: O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify You;
we worship Your Name forever, world without end. AMEN

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Trinity Hymnal 100

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! AMEN

Confession of Sin

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. AMEN I John 1:5-6

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Lord Jesus, we sin.

Grant that we may never cease grieving because of it,
Never be content with self,
Never think we can reach a point of perfection.
Kill our envy, command our tongues, trample down self.
Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable,
To live for You and not for self, to copy Your words, acts, spirit,
To be transformed into Your likeness,
To be consecrated wholly to You,
To live entirely to Your glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. AMEN 1 John 2:1

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted
1 Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,
see him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected;
yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
by his Son God now has spoken:
'tis the true and faithful Word.

Trinity Hymn 257

2 Tell me, ye who hear him groaning,

was there ever grief like his?
Friends thro' fear his cause disowning,
foes insulting his distress;
many hands were raised to wound him,
none would interpose to save;
but the deepest stroke that pierced him
was the stroke that Justice gave.

3 Ye who think of sin but lightly
nor suppose the evil great
here may view its nature rightly,
here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed,
see who bears the awful load;
'tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed,
Son of Man and Son of God.

4 Here we have a firm foundation,
here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation,
his the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded.
Who on him their hope have built. AMEN

Confession of Faith

The Scots Confession, Chapter 1

Congregation: We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to Whom alone we must cleave,
Whom alone we must serve,
Whom only we must worship,
and in Whom alone we put our trust.
Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
By Whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible to have been created,
to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence
for such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of His own glory. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. AMEN
Philippians 4:6-7

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

Exodus 10:21-23

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: People of Light in a World of Darkness
Justin Wallick

1 We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,
And strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

2 We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
Now let us learn how to return
The gift of love once given:
O let us share each joy and care,
And live with a zeal that pleases Heav'n.

3 We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us be a family,
Diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God,
And so shall his work on earth be done.

4 We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;
We die alone, for on its own
Each member loses fire:
Yet joined in one the flame burns on
To give warmth and light, and to inspire. 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: Almighty Father,

Whose dear Son, on the night before He suffered,
Did institute the Sacrament of His Body and Blood;

Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in
of Him,

remembrance

Who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of life eternal;
Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
One God, world without end. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Trinity Hymnal 345

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode:
on the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters,
and all fear of want remove;
who can faint, while such a river
ever flows their thirst t'assuage? -
grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.

3 Round each habitation hov'ring,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a cov'ring,
showing that the Lord is near:
thus deriving from their banner
light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which he gives them when they pray.

4 Savior, if of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name:
fading is the worldling's pleasure,
all his boasted pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasure
none but Zion's children know. AMEN

God Commissions Us

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. AMEN
1 Peter 2:9

Benediction

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

Trinity Hymnal 737

Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever;
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever;
for on the holy cross hast thou
the world from sin redeemed.
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever.
Christ, we do all adore thee. AMEN