

# Christ Church

**Worshipping 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, September 23, AD 2018 9:30 AM**

Meditation

“Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.” And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.  
*Revelation 19:7-8*

## God Calls Us to Worship

Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

**AMEN**

Psalm 90:1-2

### **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

### **Trinity Hymnal 53**

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
The King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him,  
For He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,  
Join me in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things  
So wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings,  
Yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er  
Have been granted in what He ordaineth?

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper  
Thy work and defend thee!  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

4 Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous  
Wisdom hath made thee,  
Decked thee with health,  
And with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief,  
Spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all  
That is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
Come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again;  
Gladly fore'er we adore Him. **AMEN**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

**PSALM 96:1-9**

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

You meet him who rejoices and does righteousness, who remembers You in Your ways. You are indeed angry, for we have sinned—in these ways we continue; and we need to be saved. But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. And there is no one who calls on Your name, who stirs himself up to take hold of You; for You have hidden Your face from us, and have consumed us because of our iniquities.

**AMEN**

*Isaiah 64:5b-7*

## Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Congregation: O almighty God,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus;  
we acknowledge that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace.  
We have not believed Your promises; nor trusted in our living Lord.  
Through worldliness of spirit,  
our eyes have been kept from discerning His presence with us.  
Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit,  
our hearts have not burned within us as we have heard His Word.  
We have not trusted in His redeeming power,  
and have been overcome of evil.  
We have forgotten the glad tidings of His peace.  
But now in penitence we come to you, beseeching Your forgiveness.  
Mercifully grant us absolution from all our sins,  
and restore unto us the joy of Your salvation;  
for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. AMEN**

## Assurance of Pardon

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. **AMEN**  
*Galatians 2:20*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

### **From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee**

1 From depths of woe I raise to Thee  
The voice of lamentation;  
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me  
And hear my supplication:  
If Thou shouldst be extreme to mark  
Each secret sin and misdeed dark,  
O who could stand before Thee?  
O who could stand before Thee?

2 To wash away the crimson stain,  
Grace, grace alone availeth;  
Our works, alas! are all in vain;  
In much the best life faileth:  
No man can glory in Thy sight,  
All must alike confess Thy might,  
And live alone by mercy,  
And live alone by mercy.

3 Therefore my trust is in the Lord,  
And not in mine own merit;  
On Him my soul shall rest, His Word  
Upholds my fainting spirit:  
His promised mercy is my fort,  
My comfort, and my sweet support;  
I wait for it with patience,  
I wait for it with patience.

4 What though I wait the live-long night,  
And till the dawn appeareth,  
My heart still trusteth in His might;  
It doubteth not, nor feareth:  
So let the Israelite in heart,  
Born of the Spirit, do his part;  
And wait till God appeareth,  
And wait till God appeareth.

5 Although our sin is great indeed,  
God's mercies far exceed it;  
His hand can give the help we need,  
However much we need it:  
He is the Shepherd of the sheep  
Who Israel doth guard and keep,  
And shall from sin redeem him,  
And shall from sin redeem him. **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**

And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you... Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. **AMEN**

*Romans 8:10-11, 26-27*

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

**Mark 10:17-31**

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**The Impossible Salvation of God**  
*Justin Wallick*

## 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**

# 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: O Lord our God,**  
thank you for lifting our heads,  
raising us up,  
and seating us at this Your table  
as royal sons and daughters of Your kingdom.  
Thank you for the grace that is given here.  
Thank you for this reminder of our redemption,  
this food for our faith,  
and this hope for our future.  
Fix our eyes on the One who invites us here  
and gives Himself to us that we may feed on and with Him.  
May we eat this bread with joy  
and drink this wine with a merry heart  
knowing that God has already accepted our works.  
May we taste and see that the Lord is good.

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

Trinity Hymnal 469

1 How sweet and awesome is the place  
With Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays  
The choicest of her stores.

2 While all our hearts and all our songs  
Join to admire the feast,  
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue,  
"Lord, why was I a guest?"

3 "Why was I made to hear Your voice,  
And enter while there's room,  
When thousands make a wretched choice,  
And rather starve than come?"

4 'Twas the same love that spread the feast  
That sweetly drew us in;  
Else we had still refused to taste,  
And perished in our sin.

5 Pity the nations, O our God,  
Constrain the earth to come;  
Send Your victorious Word abroad,  
And bring the strangers home.

6 We long to see Your churches full,  
That all the chosen race  
May, with one voice and heart and soul,  
Sing Your redeeming grace. **AMEN**

## God Commissions Us

Let Your work appear to Your servants, and Your glory to their children. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands for us; yes, establish the work of our hands. **AMEN** *Psalm 90:16-17*

Benediction

**Of the Father's Love Begotten**

**Trinity Hymnal 162**

Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving,  
And unwearied praises be,  
Honor, glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory,  
Evermore and evermore! **AMEN**