

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, March 17, AD 2019 10:00 AM

Meditation

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction,
for instruction in righteousness,
2 Timothy 3:16

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

O God, the Rock of Ages

1 O God, the Rock of Ages,
Who evermore hast been,
What time the tempest rages,
Our dwelling place serene:
Before Thy first creations,
O Lord, the same as now,
To endless generations
The Everlasting Thou!

Trinity Hymnal 28

2 Our years are like the shadows
On sunny hills that lie,
Or grasses in the meadows
That blossom but to die;
A sleep, a dream, a story
By strangers quickly told,
An unremaining glory
Of things that soon are old.

3 O Thou who canst not slumber,
Whose light grows never pale,
Teach us aright to number
Our years before they fail;
On us Thy mercy lighten,
On us Thy goodness rest,
And let Thy Spirit brighten
The hearts Thyself hast blessed.

4 Lord, crown our faith's endeavor
With beauty and with grace,
Till, clothed in light forever,
We see Thee face to face:
A joy no language measures;
A fountain brimming o'er;
An endless flow of pleasures;
An ocean without shore. **AMEN**

RESPONSIVE READING

LUKE 6:20-26

Leader: Blessed are you poor for yours is the kingdom of God.

Congregation: Blessed are you who hunger now for you shall be filled.

Leader: Blessed are you who weep now for you shall laugh.

Congregation: Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake.

Leader: Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven,

Congregation: For in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

Leader: But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

Congregation: Woe to you who are full, for you shall hunger.

Leader: Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

Congregation: Woe to you when all men speak well of you, for so did their fathers to the false prophets. AMEN

We Gather Together

Trinity Hymnal 363

1 We gather together
To ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens
His will to make known;
The wicked oppressing
Now cease from distressing;
Sing praises to His name;
He forgets not His own.

2 Beside us to guide us,
Our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining
His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning
The fight we were winning:
Thou, Lord, wast at our side:
All glory be Thine!

3 We all do extol Thee,
Thou leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still
Our defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation
Endure thro' tribulation:
Thy name be ever prais'd!
O Lord, make us free! **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice: "Do not harden your hearts, as in the rebellion, as in the day of trial in the wilderness, when your fathers tested Me; they tried Me, though they saw My work. For forty years I was grieved with that generation, and said, 'It is a people who go astray in their hearts, and they do not know My ways.' So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.'" **AMEN** *Psalm 95:7-11*

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

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." **AMEN** *Matthew 11:28-30*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

Trinity Hymnal 535

1 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward,
To Thy glorious rest above.

2 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore;
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

3 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee. **AMEN**

Luther's Commentary on the Second Article of the Apostles Creed

Congregation: We believe that Jesus Christ

—true God, Son of the Father from eternity,
and true Man, born of the Virgin Mary—is our Lord.
He has redeemed us, lost and condemned persons,
saved us at great cost from sin, death, and the power of the devil,
not with silver or gold, but with His holy and precious blood
and His innocent suffering and death.
All this He has done that we may be His own,
live under Him in His kingdom,
and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and
blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead and lives and rules
eternally. This is most certainly true. **AMEN**

Intercessory Prayer

Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the Lord has comforted His people, and will have mercy on His afflicted. But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me, and my Lord has forgotten me. Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands. **AMEN**

Isaiah 49:13-16a

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

Genesis 5:1-32

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Trees and Thorns
Justin Wallick

Psalm 128A

1 How blessed all who fear the LORD,
And walk within His ways!
You'll eat your labor's fruit, be blessed,
And prosper in your days.

2 Your wife will as a fruitful vine
Within your house be found;
Your children will as olive plants
Your table gather round.

3 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed
Who truly fears the LORD!
The LORD from Zion grant to you
His blessing and reward.

Book of Psalms for Singing

4 And may you see Jerus'lem's good
All days on earth you dwell.
May you your children's children see,
And peace on Israel. **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: 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

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 the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children's children, to such as keep His covenant, and to those who remember His commandments to do them. **AMEN**
Psalm 103:17-18

Benediction

Gloria Patri

Trinity Hymnal 735

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**