

# 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, May 5, AD 2019 10:00 AM**

Meditation

After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and One sat on the throne.

*Revelation 4:1-2*

## God Calls Us to Worship

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; He gathers together the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name. **AMEN** *Psalm 147:1-4*

### **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

### Hebrews 12:22-29

Leader: You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels,

**Congregation: To the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect,**

Leader: To Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant,

**Congregation: And to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.**

Leader: See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more shall we not escape if we turn away from Him who speaks from heaven,

**Congregation: Whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven."**

Leader: Now this, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken,

**Congregation: Let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire. AMEN.**

### 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**

## Confession of Sin

“O Lord, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your anger and Your fury be turned away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people are a reproach to all those around us. Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate. O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies. O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name.”

**AMEN** *Daniel 9:16-19*

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Congregation: Lord Jesus, we confess that there is no one righteous, no, not one. No one understands, no one seeks for God. We all have turned aside; together we have become worthless; no one does good, not even one. So to You, O Lord, do we lift up our souls. O Lord God, in You do we trust. Make us to know Your ways, O Lord; teach us Your paths. Lead us in Your truth, and teach us, for You are the God of our salvation; for You we do wait all the day long. Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love. Remember not our sins and transgressions; according to Your steadfast love, remember us, for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord! **AMEN****

## Assurance of Pardon

Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. **AMEN** *Ephesians 1:4-7*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

## Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

## Trinity Hymnal 172

1 Let us love and sing and wonder,  
Let us praise the Savior's name!  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,  
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:  
He has washed us with His blood,  
He has brought us nigh to God.

2 Let us love the Lord who bought us,  
Pitied us when enemies,  
Called us by His grace, and taught us,  
Gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
He has washed us with His blood,  
He presents our souls to God.

3 Let us sing, though fierce temptation  
Threaten hard to bear us down!  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
Holds in view the conqu'ror's crown:  
He who washed us with His blood  
Soon will bring us home to God.

4 Let us wonder; grace and justice  
Join and point to mercy's store;  
When through grace in Christ our trust is,  
Justice smiles and asks no more:  
He who washed us with His blood  
Has secured our way to God.

5 Let us praise, and join the chorus  
Of the saints enthroned on high;  
Here they trusted Him before us,  
Now their praises fill the sky:  
"You have washed us with Your blood;  
You are worthy, Lamb of God!" **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

Bow down Your ear, O Lord, hear me; for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am holy; You are my God; save Your servant who trusts in You! Be merciful to me, O Lord, for I cry to You all day long. Rejoice the soul of Your servant, for to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, and abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You. **AMEN** *Psalm 86:1-5*

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

**Isaiah 6:1-13**

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**The Lord's Call**  
*Justin Wallick*

**God of Gods, We Sound His Praises**

**Trinity Hymnal 23**

1 God of gods, we sound His praises,  
Highest heav'n its homage brings;  
Earth and all creation raises  
Glory to the King of kings.  
Holy, holy, holy, name Him,  
Lord of all His hosts proclaim Him,  
To the everlasting Father  
Every tongue in triumph sings.

2 Christians in their hearts enthrone Him,  
Tell His praises wide abroad;  
Prophets, priests, apostles own Him,

Martyrs' crown and saints' reward.  
Three in one His glory sharing,  
Earth and heav'n His praise declaring,  
Praise the high majestic Father,  
Praise the everlasting Lord.

3 Hail the Christ, the King of glory,  
He whose praise the angels cry,  
Born to share our human story,  
Love and labor, grieve and die.  
By His cross His work completed,  
Sinners ransomed, death defeated,  
In the glory of the Father,  
Christ ascended reigns on high.

4 Lord, we look for Your returning,  
Teach us so to walk Your ways,  
Hearts and minds Your will discerning,  
Lives alight with joy and praise.  
In Your love and care enfold us,  
By Your constancy uphold us,  
May Your mercy, Lord and Father,  
Keep us now and all our days. **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: Thanks be to You, O God,  
for Your presence and Your purpose,  
for Your lovingkindness and Your steadfast Spirit.  
May the blessings of this table strengthen our faith,  
increase our generosity, and unify our hearts,  
for we pray in the name of Jesus, the Risen One. AMEN**

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### Join All the Glorious Names

Trinity Hymnal 301

1 Join all the glorious names  
Of wisdom, love, and pow'r,  
That ever mortals knew,  
That angels ever bore:  
All are too poor to speak His worth,  
Too poor to set my Savior forth.

2 Great Prophet of my God,  
My tongue would bless Thy name:

By Thee the joyful news  
Of our salvation came,  
The joyful news of sins forgiv'n,  
Of hell subdued and peace with heav'n.

3 Jesus, my great High Priest,  
Offered His blood and died;  
My guilty conscience seeks  
No sacrifice beside:  
His pow'rful blood did once atone  
And now it pleads before the throne.

4 Thou art my Counselor,  
My pattern, and my Guide,  
And Thou my Shepherd art;  
O keep me near Thy side;  
Nor let my feet e'er turn astray  
To wander in the crooked way.

5 My Savior and my Lord,  
My Conqu'ror and my King,  
Thy scepter and Thy sword,  
Thy reigning grace, I sing:  
Thine is the pow'r; behold I sit  
In willing bonds beneath Thy feet. **AMEN**

## God Commissions Us

But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, so that the message might be preached fully through me, and that all the Gentiles might hear. Also I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!...The Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

**AMEN**      *2 Timothy 4:17-18, 22*

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**