

### ***Prelude and Silent Prayer***

*O Lord, enable me this morning to worship You sincerely and in truth. Help me, Father, to receive again Your gracious service to me in the Word and Sacraments. Assist me also so that I can give to You the kind of praise and adoration appropriate to the One who loves me, sent His Son to die for me, and continues to provide all things for me.*

***To prepare for worship, please be seated when the prelude begins.***

***\* Denotes congregation standing.***

***\*\* Denotes congregation standing, and lifting of hands.***

### **\* God Calls His People to Worship *Psalm 150***

*Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary;*

*Praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him for His mighty acts;*

*Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!*

*Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; Praise Him with the lute and harp!*

*Praise Him with the timbrel and dance;*

*Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!*

*Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with clashing cymbals!*

*Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord! AMEN*

### **\* God’s People Respond to His Call to Worship**

*(Psalm 150 – Tune of Lo He Comes with Clouds Descending)*

***Praise the LORD, to God give praises;***

***Praise Him in His holy place.***

***Praise Him in His mighty heavens;***

***For His mighty deeds give praise.***

***Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,***

***He is excellent and great.***

***Praise with harp and lyre and trumpet;***

***Praise from strings and pipes be poured.***

***Praise with tambour--ine and dancing;***

***With loud cymbals, praise accord.***

***Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,***

***All with breath, O praise the LORD. AMEN***

### **\* Responsive Reading: Psalm 136:1-3,26**

***Leader:*** *Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

***Congregation:*** *For His mercy endures forever.*

***Leader:*** *Oh, give thanks to the God of gods!*

***Congregation:*** *For His mercy endures forever.*

***Leader:*** *Oh, give thanks to the Lord of lords!*

***Congregation:*** *For His mercy endures forever.*

***Leader:*** *Oh, give thanks to the God of heaven!*

***Congregation:*** *For His mercy endures forever. AMEN*

### **\* God Calls His People to Repentance *Psalm 119:132-135;***

*Luke 23:39-42*

*Look upon us and be merciful to us, as Your custom is toward those who love Your name. Direct our steps by Your word, and let no iniquity have dominion over us. Redeem us from the oppression of man, that we may keep Your precepts. Make Your face shine upon Your servants, and teach us Your statutes...Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, “If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us.” But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, “Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said to Jesus, “Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.” AMEN*

### **\* Lord Jesus, Think on Me**

***Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin;***

***From earthborn passions set me free, and make me pure within.***

***Lord Jesus, think on me, with care and woe oppressed;***

***Let me thy loving servant be, and taste thy promised rest.***

***Lord Jesus, think on me, amid the battle’s strife;***

***In all my pain and mi-ser-y be thou my health and life.***

***Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray;***

***Through darkness and per-plex-ity point thou the heav’nly way.***

***Lord Jesus, think on me, that when the flood is past,***

***I may th’e-ter-nal brightness see, and share thy joy at last.***

***Lord Jesus, think on me, that I may sing above***

***To Father, Spirit and to thee, the strains of praise and love. AMEN***

### **God’s People Respond By Confessing Their Sins**

*Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession*

***Leader:*** *Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.*

***Lord, 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***

### **God Assures His People of their Forgiveness**

*Luke 23:43; Romans 5:6-8: And Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.” ... For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. AMEN*

***Leader:*** *Our sins are forgiven!*

***Congregation:*** *Thanks be to God!*

### **God’s People Respond with Praise for Forgiveness**

***\* And Can It Be That I Should Gain***

***Hymn 455***

### **God’s People Confess Their Faith**

***\* The Apostles’ Creed***

***Trinity Hymnal Page 845***

### **God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares upon Him**

*Psalm 103:1-5: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. AMEN*

### **God’s People Respond by Bringing Their Petitions**

*Prayer of Intercession followed by The Lord’s Prayer*

### **God’s People Worship by Bringing Tithes & Offerings**

*Offertory, followed by \*\* The Doxology*

### **God Speaks to His People through His Word**

***\* The Reading of the Scriptures***

***Acts 5:17-42***

***Leader:*** *The Word of the Lord.*

***Congregation:*** *Thanks be to God!*

***The Sermon:***

***“Obeying God Rather Than Men”***

***\* Rejoice, the Lord Is King***

***Hymn 310***

### **God Communes with His People**

***Elder:*** *God is good!*

***Congregation:*** *All the time!*

***Elder:*** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Let us pray.*

*Corporate Prayer of Thanksgiving*

*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*

*\* Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* *Hymn 604*

**God Commissions His People** *1 Peter 3:15-17*

*But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed. For it is better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. AMEN*

**\*\* Benediction**

*\* Congregational Response* *Hymn 733*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! AMEN*

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**Opportunities for Fellowship and Service:**

- *Lunch and Learn – Today!*
- *Young Adults' Fellowship – Tonight at 6:00pm – RSVP to Ted*
- *Men's Meeting – Wednesday, October 21 – RSVP to Daniel today*
- *Psalm Sing – Friday, October 23, 7:00pm – Kings' House*
- *Reformation Celebration – Friday, October 30, 6:00pm*

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<i>Sunday Service Teams</i>	<i>Officer</i>	<i>Partner Families</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>C. King</i>	<i>T. Phillips, Wheeler</i>
<i>November</i>	<i>C. Diamond</i>	<i>K. Diamond, D. Phillips</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>J. LaBreche</i>	<i>Crawford, Vest, Price</i>
<i>January</i>	<i>D. Ferrill</i>	<i>McCoy, Reese, Machamer</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>A. Marsh</i>	<i>Brodock, J. Phillips</i>

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*Sermon Notes*

# *Christ Church*

*Worshiping Christ and equipping God's people  
to extend His Lordship  
down through our generations  
and out into the world.*

*The Lord's Day  
Covenant Renewal Service  
October 18, 2015*