

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
January 3, 2016**

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. Psalm 103:17-18

Prelude and Silent Prayer

God Calls Us to Worship: 1 Chronicles 16:28-29

*Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, give to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! **AMEN***

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
(Hymn 302)

**Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!**

**Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!**

**Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!" AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 9:7-11

Leader: The Lord reigns forever; He has established His throne for judgment.

Congregation: He will judge the world in righteousness; He will govern the peoples with justice.

Leader: The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

Congregation: Those who know Your name will trust in You, for You, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek You.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, enthroned in Zion;

Congregation: Proclaim among the nations what He has done. AMEN

Psalm 9B

Book of Psalms for Singing

Confession of Sin:

Romans 7:18-19, 22-24

For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice... For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? AMEN

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed
too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. **AMEN**

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 7:24b-25a

Who will deliver me from this body of death? I thank God – through Jesus Christ our Lord!
AMEN

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Hymn 455

The Scots Confession, Chapter 1

**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

Psalm 102:1-2

*Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come to You. Do
not hide Your face from me in the day of my trouble; incline Your ear to me; in the day that I call,
answer me speedily. AMEN*

**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:

John 6:41-47

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon:

“Unless the Father Draws Him”

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Hymn 342

God Communes with Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

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

Corporate Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregation:

Oh God of all good,

We bless You for Your means of grace.

You have prepared for us a feast.

And though we are unworthy to sit down as guests,

We wholly rest on the merits of your Son, Jesus Christ,

And we hide ourselves beneath His righteousness.

In the supper we remember His eternal love and boundless grace;

We remember his infinite compassion and glorious redemption.

As the outward elements nourish our bodies,

So may Your indwelling Spirit invigorate our souls,

Until that day when we hunger and thirst no more,

And we sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Hymn 345

God Commissions Us

Micah 6:8

Elder: He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God? AMEN

Benediction

Gloria Patri

Hymn 735