

# 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  
February 21, 2016**

*He who heeds the Word prospers, and blessed is he who trusts in the Lord. Proverbs 16:20*

## **Prelude and Silent Prayer**

### **God Calls Us to Worship:** Psalm 95:1-3

*Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the LORD is the great God, and the great King above all gods. AMEN*

### **O Worship the King**

(Hymn 2)

**O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing His pow'r and his love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

**O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.**

**Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;  
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.**

**Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In You do we trust, nor find You to fail;  
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!**

**O measureless Might! Ineffable love!  
While angels delight to hymn You above,  
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration shall lisp to Your praise.**

**AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 24:7:10

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O you gates!

**Congregation:** And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in.

*Leader: Who is this King of glory?*

**Congregation:** The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

*Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates!*

**Congregation:** Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in.

*Leader: Who is this King of glory?*

**Congregation:** The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory. AMEN

**Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

**Hymn 457**

**Confession of Sin:**

Psalm 79:8-9

*Oh, do not remember former iniquities against us! Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, for we have been brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name, and deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins. AMEN*

**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 John 1:9

*If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. AMEN*

*Leader: Our sins are forgiven!*

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm 22C**

**Book of Psalms for Singing**

**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**

1 Timothy 2:1-2, 5

*Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence... For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus. 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:

1 Corinthians 2

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

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

The Sermon:

“Building Christian Culture –  
Intellectual Foundations”

**Take My Life, and Let It Be**

**Hymn 585**

## **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.*

Corporate Prayer of Thanksgiving

**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**

**Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me**

**Hymn 500**

## **God Commissions Us** 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

*Elder: And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.*

**AMEN**

## **Benediction**

**Christ, We Do All Adore Thee**

**Hymn 737**