

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 12, 2017 9:30 AM

Meditation

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.

Leader: The Lord be with you!

Congregation: The Lord bless you!

God Calls Us to Worship

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

Psalm 150

O God beyond All Praising

Trinity Hymnal 660

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,

we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. AMEN

Responsive Reading

Te Deum Laudamus

Leader: We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
All the earth does worship You, the Father everlasting.

Congregation: To You all angels cry aloud;
the heavens and all the powers there.
To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry,
“Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.”

Leader: The glorious company of the apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of
the prophets praise You. The noble army of martyrs praise You. The holy Church
throughout all the world does acknowledge You; the Father of an infinite majesty; Your
honourable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost the comforter.

Congregation: You are the King of Glory, O Christ;
You are the everlasting Son of the Father..
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
You did open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Leader: You sit at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that
You shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray, help Your servants, whom
You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints
in glory everlasting.

Congregation: O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify You;
we worship Your Name forever, world without end. AMEN

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Trinity Hymnal 100

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! AMEN

Confession of Sin

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
Romans 7:18-19, 22-24

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: 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

Assurance of Pardon

...Who will deliver me from this body of death? I thank God – through Jesus Christ our Lord!
AMEN Romans 7:24b-25a

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

Trinity Hymnal 498

1 Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!
Jesus! lover of my soul;
friends may fail me, foes assail me,
he, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain

Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
he is with me to the end.

2 Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. Refrain

3 Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
even when my heart is breaking,
he, my comfort, helps my soul. Refrain

4 Jesus! what a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
he, my pilot, hears my cry. Refrain

5 Jesus! I do now receive him,
more than all in him I find;
he hath granted me forgiveness,
I am his, and he is mine. Refrain
AMEN

The Nicene Creed

Trinity Hymnal, page 846

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilot; he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. AMEN James 1:5-6

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

Matthew 5:33-48

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: Adam McIntosh
“Old Laws Made New, Part 2”

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Trinity Hymnal 521

1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,

but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil. Refrain

3 His oath, his covenant, his blood
support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. Refrain

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found;
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne. Refrain
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: O Lord our God,
thank you for lifting our heads,
raising us up,
and seating us at this your table
as royal sons and daughters of your kingdom.
Thank you for the grace that is given here.
Thank you for this reminder of our redemption,
this food for our faith,
and this hope for our future.
Fix our eyes on the One who invites us here
and gives Himself to us that we may feed on and with Him.
May we eat this bread with joy
and drink this wine with a merry heart

knowing that God has already accepted our works.
May we taste and see that the Lord is good. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Trinity Hymnal 455

1 And can it be that I should gain
an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Refrain

Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2 'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies:
who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries to sound
the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.

Refrain

3 He left his Father's throne above
(so free, so infinite his grace!),
humbled himself (so great his love!)
and bled for all his chosen race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for, O my God, it found out me!

Refrain

4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

Refrain

5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,

bold I approach th'eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own. Refrain AMEN

God Commissions Us

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 Micah 6:8

Benediction

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

Trinity Hymnal 737

Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever;
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever;
for on the holy cross hast thou
the world from sin redeemed.
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever.
Christ, we do all adore thee. AMEN