

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 28, 2017 9:30 AM

Meditation

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
2 Corinthians 5:17

God Calls Us to Worship

Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You. Then the earth shall yield her increase; God, our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him. AMEN
Psalm 67:5-7

O God, to Us Show Mercy

Trinity Hymnal 437

1 O God, to us show mercy and bless us in your grace;
cause now to shine upon us the brightness of your face;
that so your way most holy on earth may soon be known,
and unto ev'ry people your saving grace be shown.

2 O God, let all men praise you, let all the nations sing;
in ev'ry land let praises and songs of gladness ring;
for you shall judge the people in truth and righteousness,
and through the earth the nations shall your just rule confess.

3 O God, let people praise you, let all the nations sing,
for earth in rich abundance to us her fruit shall bring.
The Lord our God shall bless us, our God shall blessing send,
and all the earth shall fear him to its remotest end. 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

1 Sing praise to the Lord,
Who in Zion does dwell;
Among all the peoples
His great doings tell.
When blood He avenges,
His memory is clear;
The cry of the poor
Never fades from His ear.

2 Lord see what I suffer
From malice and hate;
Have mercy! O lift me
Away from death's gate,
That I with the daughter
O Zion may voice
Your praises, and in
Your salvation rejoice.

3 The nations are sunk
in the pit they prepared;
Their foot in the net
which they hid is ensnared.
The Lord by His judgement
has made Himself known,
He by their own works
Has the wicked o'erthrown.

4 The wicked to death's
dark abode shall be brought,
And all of the nations
who God have forgot,
Forgotten no longer

the cause of the weak;
Nor perished forever
The hope of the meek.

5 Rise, Lord, that mere man
may not make himself strong;
Let nations be judged
In your presence for wrong
Strike terror within them,
O Lord, always then
Let nations know truly
That they are mere men AMEN

Confession of Sin

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This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. AMEN I John 1:5-6

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: O most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;
Who pardons all such as truly repent and turn to You;
We humbly confess our sins, and implore Your mercy.
We have not loved You with a pure heart fervently;
Neither have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justly, nor loved mercy,
Nor walked humbly with You, our God.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord,
According to Your loving-kindness;
According to the multitude of Your tender mercies,
Blot out our iniquity.
Create in us a clean heart, O God;
And renew a right spirit within us.
Cast us not away from Your presence,
And take not Your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore unto us the joy of Your salvation,
And uphold us with your free Spirit.

In Jesus' name, AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. AMEN 1 John 2:1

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Trinity Hymnal 500

1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure,
cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

2 Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save, and thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee. AMEN

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Congregation: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into Hades.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. AMEN
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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

John 3:9-15

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: Lifted Up
Jacob Hanby

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Trinity Hymnal 289

1 A hymn of glory let us sing;
new songs thro'out the world shall ring:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ, by a road before untrod,
ascendeth to the throne of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 The holy apostolic band
Upon the Mount of Olives stand;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
and with his followers they see
Jesus' resplendent majesty.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 To whom the angels, drawing nigh:
"Why stand and gaze upon the sky?"
Alleluia! Alleluia!
"This is the Savior," thus they say,
"this is his noble triumph day."
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 "Again shall ye behold him so
as ye today have seen him go,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
in glorious pomp ascending high,
up to the portals of the sky."
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
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: Merciful Father,
we lift our eyes from the visible elements
even as we lift up our hearts to heaven itself, where Jesus Christ is, seated
on the right hand of the Father,
from where He shall come again to complete our redemption,
in whom all the promises of God are fulfilled,
and all spiritual blessings are to be found.
In joy of heart, in brotherly union,
in Christian love we come to partake of Your table,
giving thanks for the great love which You have shown to us
through Christ our Lord. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Trinity Hymnal 297

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall,
let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,

Refrain

and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all!

2 Crown him, ye martyrs of your God
who from his altar call,
who from his altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, Refrain

3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
ye ransomed of the fall,

ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, Refrain

4 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet, Refrain

5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, Refrain

6 O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall,
we at his feet may fall!
we'll join the everlasting song, Refrain
AMEN

God Commissions Us

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. AMEN Philippians 2:12-13

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