

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, July 30, 2017 9:30 AM

Meditation

But He gives more grace. Therefore He says:
"God resists the proud,
But gives grace to the humble."
James 4:6

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

Sursum Corda

Leader: Praise the LORD.

Congregation: Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. In the beginning You separated light from darkness, and placed all Your works in our hands. You have given us the light of day that we might see Your wonders in all we say and do; You give us the gentle darkness of the night that we might rest from our burdens and be refreshed in body and spirit.

Congregation: Break through the darkness of our sins with the splendor of Your mercy and love. Send Your light to dispel our fears and anxieties and fill us with hope and joy.

Leader: Glory, praise, and honor are Yours, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Congregation: In the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. AMEN

Psalm 104A

Book of Psalms for Singing

1 My soul, bless the LORD!
LORD God, You are great!
With honor arrayed, majestic in state,
You cover Yourself with a garment of light
And stretch out the sky as a curtain by night.

2 The beams of Your courts in waters You laid;
On wings of the wind Your pathway You made.
The clouds are Your chariot;
the winds do Your will;
The flames and the lightnings
Your pleasure fulfill.

3 You set up the earth on foundations sure,

That always it should unshaken endure.
The deep like a garment about it You cast;
The waters stood high; over mountains they passed.

4 But at Your rebuke the high waters fled;
Your thunder they heard and fast away sped.
The mountains arose, and the valleys sank low;
The place You appointed for them now they know. AMEN

Confession of Sin

Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression. AMEN

Psalm 19:12-13

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Lord Jesus, we sin.
Grant that we may never cease grieving because of it,
Never be content with self,
Never think we can reach a point of perfection.
Kill our envy, command our tongues, trample down self.
Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable,
To live for You and not for self, to copy Your words, acts, spirit,
To be transformed into Your likeness, to be consecrated wholly to You,
To live entirely to Your glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. ...As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. AMEN

Psalm 103:8, 12

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Amazing Grace

Trinity Hymnal 460

1 Amazing grace! - how sweet the sound -
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Thro' many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,
his Word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

5 And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

6 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we've first begun. AMEN

Luther's Commentary on the Second Article of the Apostles Creed

Congregation: We believe that Jesus Christ
—true God, Son of the Father from eternity,
and true Man, born of the Virgin Mary—is our Lord.
He has redeemed us, lost and condemned persons,
saved us at great cost from sin, death, and the power of the devil,
not with silver or gold, but with His holy and precious blood
and His innocent suffering and death.
All this He has done that we may be His own,
live under Him in His kingdom,
and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,
just as He is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally.

This is most certainly true. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. AMEN James 5:16

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

1 Chronicles 26

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: The Cost of Pride

Peter Leithart

Lead On, O King Eternal
1 Lead on, O King eternal,
the day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest
thy tents shall be our home:
through days of preparation
thy grace has made us strong,
and now, O King eternal,
we lift our battle song.

Trinity Hymnal 580

2 Lead on, O King eternal,
till sin's fierce war shall cease,
and holiness shall whisper
the sweet amen of peace;
for not with swords loud clashing,
nor roll of stirring drums,
but deeds of love and mercy,
the heav'nly kingdom comes.

3 Lead on, O King eternal,
we follow, not with fears;
for gladness breaks like morning
where'er thy face appears;
thy cross is lifted o'er us;
we journey in its light:
the crown awaits the conquest;
lead on, O God of might. 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

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Trinity Hymnal 585

1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing,
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.

4 Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose,
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store.
Take my self, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee. AMEN

God Commissions Us

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility,
meekness, longsuffering. AMEN Colossians 3:12

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