Christ Church

Worshiping 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, October 29, 2017 9:30 AM

Meditation

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

God Calls Us to Worship

Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; He is also to be feared above all gods. AMEN I Chronicles 16:23-25

Let All Things Now Living

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1 Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us,
his light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2 His law he enforces; the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit, obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine. We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise, till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: to God in the highest, hosanna and praise! AMEN

Responsive Reading

Psalm 1

Leader: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the paths of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

Congregation: But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night.

Leader: He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its its season, whose leaf also does not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper.

Congregation: The ungodly are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind drives away.

Leader: Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

Congregation: For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish. AMEN

Psalm 1A 1 O greatly bless-ed is the man Who walketh not astray In counsel of ungodly men, Nor stands in sinner's way.

2 Nor sitteth in the scorner's chair But placeth his delight Upon God's law, and meditates On His law day and night.

3 He shall be like a tree that grows Set by the waterside, Which in its season yields its fruit, Book of Psalms for Singing

And green its leaves abide;

4 And all he does shall prosper well. The wicked are not so, But are like chaff which by the wind Is driven to and fro.

5. In judgement therefore shall not stand Such as ungodly are, Nor in th'assembly of the just Shall wicked men appear.

6. Because the way of godly men Is to Jehovah known; Whereas the way of wicked men Shall quite be overthrown. AMEN

Confession of Sin

Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. AMEN

2 Corinthians 7:9-10

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

Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in mercy. He will again have compassion on us, and will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

AMEN

Micah 7:18-19

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

O Love of God, How Strong and True 1 O love of God, how strong and true! eternal and yet ever new, uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought! O love of God, how deep and great, far deeper than man's deepest hate; self-fed, self-kindled like the light, changeless, eternal, infinite.

2 O heav'nly love, how precious still, in days of weariness and ill, in nights of pain and helplessness, to heal, to comfort, and to bless! O wide-embracing, wondrous love! We read you in the sky above, we read you in the earth below, in seas that swell, and streams that flow.

3 We read you best in him who came to bear for us the cross of shame;

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sent by the Father from on high, our life to live, our death to die. We read your pow'r to bless and save, e'en in the darkness of the grave; still more in resurrection light we read the fulness of your might.

4 O love of God, our shield and stay through all the perils of our way! Eternal love, in thee we rest, forever safe, forever blest. We will exalt you, God and King, and we will ever praise your name; we will extol you ev'ry day, and evermore your praise proclaim. AMEN

The Nicene Creed

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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 Pilate; 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

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. AMEN 1 Timothy 2:1-2

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

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-5 2 Timothy 3:1-17

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Reformed and Continuing to Reform

According to the Word of God Pastor Mickey Schneider

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he, Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

4 That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever. AMEN

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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: 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

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart 1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing: your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

2 Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong men and maidens meek, raise high your free, exulting song; God's wondrous praises speak. Refrain

3 With all the angel choirs, with all the saints on earth, pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth! Refrain

4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go; from youth to age, by night and day,

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in gladness and in woe. Refrain

5 At last the march shall end, the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their Father's house, Jerusalem the blest. Refrain

6 Then on, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King. Refrain AMEN

God Commissions Us

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. AMEN

I Thessalonians 5:23-24

Benediction

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

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God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again. AMEN