

# 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, January 7, 2018 9:30 AM**

Meditation

"Gratitude bestows reverence, allowing us to encounter everyday epiphanies, those transcendent moments of awe that change forever how we experience life and the world." -- *John Milton*

## God Calls Us to Worship

Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, give to the Lord glory and strength. Give to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth. The world also is firmly established, it shall not be moved. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; and let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns." **AMEN**  
*1 Chronicles 16:28-31*

**All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above**

**Trinity Hymnal 4**

1 All praise to God, who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of wonders, pow'r, and love,  
the God of our salvation!  
With healing balm my soul he fills,  
the God who every sorrow stills.  
To God all praise and glory!

2 What God's almighty pow'r hath made  
his gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning dawn or evening shade  
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;  
within the kingdom of his might,  
lo, all is just and all is right.  
To God all praise and glory!

3 I cried to him in time of need:  
Lord God, O hear my calling!  
For death he gave me life indeed  
and kept my feet from falling.  
For this my thanks shall endless be;  
O thank him, thank our God, with me.  
To God all praise and glory!

4 The Lord forsaketh not his flock,  
his chosen generation;  
he is their refuge and their rock,

their peace and their salvation.  
As with a mother's tender hand  
he leads his own, his chosen band.  
To God all praise and glory!

5 Ye who confess Christ's holy name,  
to God give praise and glory!  
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim,  
to God give praise and glory!  
All idols underfoot be trod,  
the Lord is God! The Lord is God!  
To God all praise and glory!

6 Then come before his presence now  
and banish fear and sadness;  
to your Redeemer pay your vow  
and sing with joy and gladness:  
Though great distress my soul befell,  
the Lord, my God, did all things well,  
To God all praise and glory! **AMEN**

### **Responsive Reading**

### **Psalm 22:27-31**

Leader: All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Lord,  
and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.

**Congregation: For the kingdom is the Lord's, and He rules over the nations.**

Leader: All the prosperous of the earth shall eat and worship;

**Congregation: All those who go down to the dust shall bow before Him,  
even he who cannot keep himself alive.**

Leader: A posterity shall serve Him.  
It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation,

**Congregation: They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will  
be born, that He has done this. AMEN**

### **Psalm 22I**

### **Book of Psalms for Singing**

1 All ends of earth, rememb'ring Him,  
Shall turn themselves unto the LORD.  
The kindreds of the nations then  
To Him their homage shall accord.  
Because the LORD the kingdom owns  
And rules above all earthly thrones.

2 The rich and mighty of the earth  
Shall eat and low before Him bend,  
And in His presence all shall bow  
Who helpless to the dust descend,  
The wretched who, although they strive,  
Yet cannot keep their souls alive.

3 A seed shall rise to serve His will,  
And to the age it shall be told  
About our Lord; then they shall come  
And shall His righteousness unfold  
Unto a people yet unknown,  
That this was done by Him alone. **AMEN**

## **Confession of Sin**

The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. **AMEN** *Romans 13:12*

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

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. **AMEN** *Colossians 1:13-14*

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**

## 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

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

**AMEN**

*1 John 5:14-15*

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 2:1-12**

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

**The Light to All Nations**  
**Justin Wallick**

**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 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

**At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**

**Trinity Hymnal 420**

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious King,  
who has washed us in the tide  
flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him whose love divine  
gives his sacred blood for wine,  
gives his body for the feast,  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

2 Where the paschal blood is poured,  
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
paschal victim, paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love  
eat we manna from above.

3 Mighty victim from the sky,  
pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie;  
death is conquered in the fight,  
thou hast brought us life and light:  
hymns of glory and of praise,  
risen Lord, to thee we raise;  
holy Father, praise to thee,  
with the Spirit, ever be. **AMEN**

## God Commissions Us

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. **AMEN**  
*Ephesians 5:8-10*

Benediction

**God Be with You Till We Meet Again**

**Trinity Hymnal 385**

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**