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, July 8, AD 2018 9:30 AM

Meditation

And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."

And he was called the friend of God.

Iames 2:23

God Calls Us to Worship

Unto You I lift up my eyes, O You who dwell in the heavens. Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until He has mercy on us. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us! For we are exceedingly filled with contempt. Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorn of those who are at ease, with the contempt of the proud. **AMEN**Psalm 123

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Trinity Hymnal 32

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain* **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 honorable, 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

Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

AMEN Hebrews 10:19-22

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways,

to the glory of Your Name. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong. **AMEN**2 Corinthians 12:9-10

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 Scots Confession, Chapter 1

Congregations: We confess and acknowledge one God alone,

to Whom alone we must cleave,
Whom alone we must serve,
Whom only we must worship,
and in Whom alone we put our trust.
Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
By Whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible to have been created,
to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence
for such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have
appointed, and to the manifestation of His own glory. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

Did he not say to me, 'She is my sister'? And she, even she herself said, 'He is my brother.' In the integrity of my heart and innocence of my hands I have done this." And God said to Abimelech in a dream, "Yes, I know that you did this in the integrity of your heart. For I also withheld you from sinning against Me; therefore I did not let you touch her. Now therefore, restore the man's wife; for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you shall live." **AMEN**Genesis 20:5-7a

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

Joel 2:21-32

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Church's Prophetic Voice Justin Wallick

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Trinity Hymnal 345

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; He whose word cannot be broken Formed thee for His own abode: On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love, Well supply thy sons and daughters, And all fear of want remove: Who can faint, while such a river Ever flows their thirst t'assuage? -Grace which, like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.

3 Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near: Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day, Safe they feed upon the manna Which He gives them when they pray.

4 Savior, if of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy name:
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know. **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: Almighty God, You are the Creator and Lord of all things.

You are the Sovereign Majesty whom we have offended.

You are our most loving and merciful Father,

who has given Your Son to reconcile us to Yourself;

who has ratified the covenant of grace with His most precious blood, and has instituted this holy sacrament to be celebrated in

remembrance of Him till His coming.

Sanctify these elements which, according to Your institution and

command, we set apart to this holy use,

that they may be sacramentally the body and blood of

the Son Jesus Christ. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

All Authority and Power

Trinity Hymnal 453

1 All authority and power, Ev'ry status and domain, Now belongs to Him who suffered Our redemption to obtain; Angels, demons, kings and rulers, Over all shall Jesus reign!

2 All the nations owe Him worship, Ev'ry tongue shall call Him Lord; How are men to call upon Him If His name they have not heard? Therefore go and make disciples, Preach His gospel, spread His word.

3 All the clear commands of Jesus Must be heeded and obeyed; Full provision for our weakness In His teaching He has made; In the Gospel words and symbols, Saving truth to us conveyed.

4 All the time He will be with us, Always, to the end of days, With His own believing people, Who keep steadfast in His ways; God the Father, Son, and Spirit, Bless us, and to Him the praise! **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

For they are impudent and stubborn children. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' As for them, whether they hear or whether they refuse—for they are a rebellious house —yet they will know that a prophet has been among them. **AMEN**Exekiel 2:4-5

Benediction

Gloria Patri

Trinity Hymnal 735

Glory be to the Father, And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, Is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, amen. **AMEN**