

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, October 7, AD 2018 9:30 AM

Meditation

"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser...Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me."

John 15:1,4

God Calls Us to Worship

Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, and I will praise the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord, through which the righteous shall enter. I will praise You, for You have answered me, and have become my salvation. **AMEN**

Psalm 118:19-21

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

Trinity Hymnal 376

1 Open now Thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for Him who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place,
Filled with solace, light, and grace!

2 Lord, my God, I come before Thee,
Come Thou also unto me;
Where we find Thee and adore Thee,
There a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart O enter Thou,
Let it be Thy temple now!

3 Here Thy praise is gladly chanted,
Here Thy seed is duly sown;
Let my soul, where it is planted,
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
So that all I hear may be
Fruitful unto life in me.

4 Thou my faith increase and quicken, Let me keep Thy gift divine,
How-so-e'er temptations thicken;
May Thy Word still o'er me shine
As my guiding star through life,
As my comfort in my strife.

5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee,

Let Thy will be done indeed;
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows,
Here is balm for all our woes. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 118:22-29

Leader: The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

Congregation: This was the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

Congregation: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Save now, I pray, O Lord.

Congregation: O Lord, I pray, send now prosperity.

Leader: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Congregation: We have blessed you from the house of the Lord.

Leader: God is the Lord, and He has given us light;

Congregation: Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

Leader: You are my God, and I will praise You!

Congregation: You are my God, I will exalt You.

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

Congregation: For His mercy endures forever. AMEN

Give Thanks unto the Lord, Jehovah

Trinity Hymnal 613

1 Give thanks unto the Lord, Jehovah,
For He is good, O praise His name!
Let Israel say: "The Lord be praised;
His mercy ever is the same."
Let Aaron's house now praise Jehovah;
The Lord is good, O praise His name.
Let all that fear the Lord extol Him;
His mercy ever is the same.

2 In a large place the Lord has set me;
In my distress He heard my cry.
I will not fear; the Lord is with me -
What can man do, when God is nigh?
The Lord is chief among my helpers;
And I shall see my foes o'erthrown:
Far better than in man or princes,
My trust I place in God alone.

3 I shall not die, but live, declaring
The works of God, who tried me sore,
And chastened me, but in His mercy

Not unto death has giv'n me o'er.
The gates of righteousness set open,
The gate of God! I'll enter in
To praise You, Lord, who pray'r have answered,
And have saved me from all my sin.

4 The stone - O Lord, it is Your doing -
The stone, the builders did despise,
Is made the headstone of the corner,
And it is marv'lous in our eyes.
This is the day, of days most glorious,
The Lord hath made; we'll joy and sing.
Send now prosperity, we pray, Lord;
And, O our God, salvation bring! **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ. **AMEN** *Philippians 3:7-8*

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Congregation: Lord, we confess that there is no one righteous, no, not one.
No one understands, no one seeks for God.
We all have turned aside;
together we have become worthless;
no one does good, not even one.
So to You, O Lord, do we lift up our souls.
O Lord God, in You do we trust.
Make us to know Your ways, O Lord;
teach us Your paths.
Lead us in Your truth, and teach us,
for You are the God of our salvation;
for You we do wait all the day long.
Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love.
Remember not our sins and transgressions;
according to Your steadfast love, remember us,
for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord! **AMEN****

Assurance of Pardon

And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. **AMEN** *Philippians 3:9-11*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Trinity Hymnal 252

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through His blood.

3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. **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

Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, upon the son of man whom You made strong for Yourself. Then we will not turn back from You; revive us, and we will call upon Your name. **AMEN**
Psalm 80:17-18

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

Mark 12:1-12

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Vineyard Fruitfulness *Justin Wallick*

Psalm 40C

1 O LORD my God, how many are
The wonders Thou hast done!
How many are the gracious thoughts
Which Thou toward us hast shown!
No one can sort and set them out;
None can compare to Thee!
If I would tell and speak of them,
They could not numbered be.

2 No sacrifice of blood or meal
Is what Thou hast desired;
My ears Thou hast prepared to hear,
No offering hast required.
Then in response these were my words,
“I come! Behold and see!
Within the volume of the book
It written is of me:

3 “To do Thy will I take delight,
O Thou my God that art;
Because that holy law of Thine
Is deep within my heart.”
Within the congregation great
I righteousness did preach;
Behold, Jehovah, Thou dost know,

Book of Psalms for Singing

I'll not restrain my speech.

4 I never have within my heart
Concealed Thy righteousness;
I Thy salvation have declared
And shown Thy faithfulness.
Thy mercy great, Thy steadfast love,
I ever have revealed,
And from the congregation great
Thy truth have not concealed. **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

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Trinity Hymnal 342

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious,
Binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever
And her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
In glad hymns eternally.

3 To this temple, where we call Thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts today:
With Thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear Thy people as they pray;
And Thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls away.

4 Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants

What they ask of Thee to gain,
What they gain from Thee forever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Thy glory
Evermore with Thee to reign.

5 Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory,
While unending ages run. **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

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**