

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, August 2, AD 2020 10:00 AM

Meditation

For God has not given us a spirit of fear,
but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
2 Timothy 1:7

God Calls Us to Worship

Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His commandments. His descendants will be mighty on earth; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches will be in his house, and his righteousness endures forever. Unto the upright there arises light in the darkness; He is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. **AMEN** *Psalm 112:1-4*

Psalm 112A

Alternate Text

1 O praise the Lord! The man is blessed
Who fears the Lord aright,
The man who finds in His commands
His pleasure and delight.
His children will be mighty men
Upon the earth renowned;
The generation of the just
In blessing will abound.

2 Abundant riches in his house
Will ever be in store;
And his unspotted righteousness
Endures forevermore.
Though darkness may surround the just,
To him arises light;
Compassionate and merciful,
He follows what is right.

3 The man is good and truly blessed
Who freely gives and lends,
Who justly governs his affairs,
Who truth and right extends.
There surely is not anything
That ever will him move;
The righteous man's memorial
Will everlasting prove.

4 And when he hears disturbing news
He will not be afraid;
His heart is fixed; his confidence
Upon the Lord is stayed.
Established firmly is his heart;
He will not fearful be,
Until upon his enemies
He his desire will see.

5 He has dispersed his wealth abroad
And given to the poor;
His horn with honor shall be raised,
His righteousness endure.
The wicked looks on angrily;
He grits his teeth, dismayed,
But melts away and his desire
Will into nothing fade. **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

Alternate Text

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.
Deep seas 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 from there they sped.
The mountains arose, and the valleys sank low,
And went to the place You ordained them to go. **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

Out of the depths I have cried to You, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If You, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared. **AMEN** *Psalm 130:1-4*

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Congregation: O almighty God, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus;
we acknowledge that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace.
We have not believed Your promises; nor trusted in our living Lord.
Through worldliness of spirit,
our eyes have been kept from discerning His presence with us.
Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit,
our hearts have not burned within us as we have heard His Word.
We have not trusted in His redeeming power, and have been
overcome of evil. We have forgotten the glad tidings of His peace.
But now in penitence we come to you, beseeching Your
forgiveness. Mercifully grant us absolution from all our sins,
and restore unto us the joy of Your salvation;
for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. **AMEN****

Assurance of Pardon

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I do hope. My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning—Yes, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is abundant redemption. And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

AMEN *Psalm 130:5-8*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

1 From depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication:
If Thou shouldst be extreme to mark
Each secret sin and misdeed dark,
O who could stand before Thee?
O who could stand before Thee?

2 To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth:
No man can glory in Thy sight,
All must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy,
And live alone by mercy.

3 Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His Word
Upholds my fainting spirit:
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort, and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience,
I wait for it with patience.

4 What though I wait the live-long night,
And till the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not, nor feareth:
So let the Israelite in heart,
Born of the Spirit, do his part;
And wait till God appeareth,
And wait till God appeareth.

5 Although our sin is great indeed,
God's mercies far exceed it;
His hand can give the help we need,
However much we need it:
He is the Shepherd of the sheep
Who Israel doth guard and keep,
And shall from sin redeem him,
And shall from sin redeem him. **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

Hear my voice, O God, in my meditation; preserve my life from fear of the enemy. Hide me from the secret plots of the wicked, from the rebellion of the workers of iniquity, who sharpen their tongue like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot their arrows—bitter words, that they may shoot in secret at the blameless; suddenly they shoot at him and do not fear... The righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and trust in Him. And all the upright in heart shall glory. **AMEN** *Psalm 64:1-4,10*

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**

Doxology

God Consecrates Us with His Word

The Reading of the Scriptures

Psalm 37

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Vanish Like Smoke
Daniel Ferrill*

Be Thou My Vision

Trinity Hymnal 642

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art -
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

3 Be Thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
Be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r:
Raise Thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.

5 High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all. **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 Father, whose dear Son,
on the night before He suffered,
did institute the Sacrament of His Body and Blood;
mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in
remembrance of Him, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge
of life eternal; your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. AMEN**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

For All the Saints

Trinity Hymnal 358

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 O may Thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. **AMEN**
1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Benediction

Of The Father's Love Begotten

Trinity Hymnal 162

Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving,
And unwearied praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore! **AMEN**