

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 16, AD 2020 10:00 AM

Meditation

“You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.”

Matthew 5:13

God Calls Us to Worship

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; He gathers together the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name. Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite. The Lord lifts up the humble; He casts the wicked down to the ground. **AMEN** *Psalm 147:1-6*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Trinity Hymnal 53

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things
So wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper
Thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

4 Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous
Wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health,
And with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief,
Spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all
That is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly fore'er we adore Him. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!

Congregation: Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

Leader: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving!

Congregation: Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.

Leader: For the Lord is the great God,

Congregation: And the great King above all gods.

Leader: In His hand are the deep places of the earth;
the heights of the hills are His also.

**Congregation: The sea is His, for He made it;
and His hands formed the dry land.**

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Congregation: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Leader: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture,

Congregation: And the sheep of His hand. AMEN

Psalm 95A

Alternate Text

1 Come to the LORD, and sing for joy;
Let us our voices raise.
In joyful shouts, let us the Rock
Of our salvation praise.

2 Into His presence let us come
With praise and thankful voice.
Let us then sing to Him with psalms;
With shouts let us rejoice.

3 The LORD's a mighty God and King;
Above all gods He is.
The depths of earth are in His hand;
The mountain peaks are His.

4 To Him the spacious sea belongs,
Made by His own command;
And by the working of His hands
He formed the earth's dry land.

5 O come and let us worship Him;
Let us with one accord
In presence of our Maker kneel,
And bow before the LORD;

6 Because He truly is our God,
And we His chosen sheep,
The people of His pasture land,
Whom His own hand will keep. **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. **AMEN**

1 Corinthians 6:9-10

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: O, My Savior, I thank You from the depths of my being for Your wondrous grace and love in bearing my sin in Your own body on the tree. May Your cross be to me as the tree that sweetens my bitter Marahs, as the rod that blossoms with life and beauty, as the brazen serpent that calls forth the look of faith. By Your cross crucify my every sin. O my Lord and Savior, You have also appointed a cross for me to take up and carry, a cross before You give me a crown. Teach me, gracious Lord and Savior, that with my cross You send promised grace so that I may bear it patiently, that my cross is Your yoke which is easy, and Your burden which is light. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God. **AMEN**

1 Corinthians 6:11

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Trinity Hymnal 172

1 Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:
He has washed us with His blood,
He has brought us nigh to God.

2 Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies,
Called us by His grace, and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes:
He has washed us with His blood,
He presents our souls to God.

3 Let us sing, though fierce temptation
Threaten hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqu'ror's crown:
He who washed us with His blood
Soon will bring us home to God.

4 Let us wonder; grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more:
He who washed us with His blood
Has secured our way to God.

5 Let us praise, and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted Him before us,
Now their praises fill the sky:
"You have washed us with Your blood;
You are worthy, Lamb of God!" **AMEN**

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1

Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?

A: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood,
and has set me free from all the power of the devil.
He also preserves me in such a way that without
the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.
Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him. **AMEN**

Intercessory Prayer

O God, why have You cast us off forever? Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture? Remember Your congregation, which You have purchased of old, the tribe of Your inheritance, which You have redeemed— This Mount Zion where You have dweltArise, O God, plead Your own cause; remember how the foolish man reproaches You daily. Do not forget the voice of Your enemies; the tumult of those who rise up against You increases continually. **AMEN**

Psalm 74:1-2, 22-23

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

Genesis 19:1-29

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Righteous Among the Wicked
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: O Lord our God,
thank you for lifting our heads, raising us up,
and seating us at this Your table
as royal sons and daughters of Your kingdom.
Thank you for the grace that is given here.
Thank you for this reminder of our redemption,
this food for our faith, and this hope for our future.
Fix our eyes on the One who invites us here
and gives Himself to us that we may feed on and with Him.
May we eat this bread with joy
and drink this wine with a merry heart
knowing that God has already accepted our works.
May we taste and see that the Lord is good. 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

Let brotherly love continue. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels. Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also. Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge. Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” So we may boldly say: “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?” **AMEN** *Hebrews 13:1-6*

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**