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, September 13, AD 2020 10:00 AM

Meditation

When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. *Proverbs 16:7*

God Calls Us to Worship

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! While I live I will praise the Lord; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Do not put your trust in princes, nor in a son of man, in whom there is no help. His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; in that very day his plans perish. Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps truth forever, who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord gives freedom to the prisoners. The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord raises those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; but the way of the wicked He turns upside down. The Lord shall reign forever— your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord! **AMEN** *Psalm 146*

Psalm 146B

1 Praise the LORD, let all within me Offer to the LORD His praise. I will praise the LORD forever, Praise my God through all my days. Put no trust in earthly princes — Mortal men who cannot save. When he dies his thoughts will perish Buried with him in the grave.

2 He who has the God of Jacob As his help is truly blessed. On the LORD his God forever Will his hope securely rest. God has made the earth and heaven, And He also made the sea; He made everything within them; He is faithful constantly.

3 He will always render justice For the sake of those oppressed. He gives food to those who hunger,

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Satisfies their emptiness. Captive ones the LORD releases, To the blind the LORD gives sight; Those brought low the LORD will lift up, He relieves them from their plight.

4 How the LORD loves all the righteous! He protects the stranger's stay, Helps the fatherless and widow, But subverts the wicked's way. Yes, the LORD will reign forever, Zion's God forevermore, Throughout every generation; Hallelujah! Praise the LORD. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Philippians 2:3-11

Leader:	Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.
Congregation:	Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.
Leader:	Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,
Congregation:	But made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.
Leader:	And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.
Congregation:	Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,
Leader:	That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,
Congregation:	And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father. AMEN

At the Name of Jesus

Trinity Hymnal 163

1 At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, Ev'ry tongue confess Him King of Glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2 At His voice creation sprang at once to sight, All the angel faces, all the hosts of light, Thrones and dominations, stars upon their way, All the heav'nly orders in their great array.

3 Humbled for a season to receive a name From the lips of sinners unto whom He came, Faithfully He bore it spotless to the last, Brought it back victorious, when from death He passed.

4 In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue All that is not holy, all that is not true: Crown Him as your Captain in temptation's hour: Let His will enfold you in its light and pow'r.

5 Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again, With His Father's glory, with His angel train; For all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow, And our hearts confess Him King of glory now. **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **AMEN** Romans 6:20-23

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

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words. **AMEN** 1 *Thessalonians 4:13-18*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

It Is Well with My Soul

Trinity Hymnal 691

1 When peace, like a river, Attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain It is well with my soul; It is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, Though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And has shed His own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3 My sin - O the bliss Of this glorious thought! - My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross And I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

4 O Lord, haste the day When the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trump shall resound And the Lord shall descend, "Even so" - it is well with my soul. *Refrain* **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

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel; my heart also instructs me in the night seasons. I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope. For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption. You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **AMEN** *Psalm 16:7-11*

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 23:1-20

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Esteeming a Great Name 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: 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

We Lift up as Our Shield God's Name

Trinity Hymnal 104

1 We lift up as our shield God's name, The strong name of the Trinity, By invocation of the same: The Three in One and One in Three, Our Rock and Tower, God of Light, Eternal Father, Spirit, Word; We claim the name of grace and might: Salvation is of Christ the Lord.

2 Immanuel, incarnate Lord, From Mary's womb was given breath, Was baptized at the Jordan's ford, And gave His life to conquer death. He rose triumphant from the tomb, Was lifted to the Father's throne To come on God's dread day of doom And bring salvation for His own.

3 By faith we claim His grace today: The pow'r of God to hold and lead, His eye to watch, His might to stay, His ear to hearken to our need; The wisdom of our God to teach, His hand to guide, His shield to ward, The word of God to give us speech, His heav'nly host to be our guard. **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. **AMEN** *Ephesians 3:14-21*

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**