

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, September 20, AD 2020 10:00 AM

Meditation

For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy.
For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may
present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.
2 Corinthians 11:2

God Calls Us to Worship

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful. Praise the Lord with the harp; make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy. For the word of the Lord is right, and all His work is done in truth. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. **AMEN**
Psalm 33:1-5

Psalm 33A

Festal Song

1 With gladness in the LORD,
O let the righteous sing!
For when the upright give Him praise,
It is a fitting thing.

2 So give the LORD your thanks,
With harp your music raise;
And with a ten-stringed instrument,
Sing out to Him your praise.

3 And as you sing and play,
Your skillfulness employ.
O sing a new song unto Him;
With shouts express your joy.

4 For upright is the Word
The LORD has given us,
And all the works that He has done
Were done in faithfulness.

5 For He seeks righteousness,
And all that's just and fair;
The LORD's love is throughout the earth,
Abundant everywhere. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 45

Leader: My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my composition concerning the King; my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

Congregation: You are fairer than the sons of men. Grace is poured upon Your lips. Therefore, God has blessed You forever.

Leader: Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, with Your glory and Your majesty.

Congregation: And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness. And Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.

Leader: Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies. The peoples fall under You.

Congregation: Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. AMEN

Psalm 45C

Diademata

1 Daughter, incline your ear,
Consider well my call:
Put out of mind your father's house,
Forget your people all.
Your beauty then the King
With great delight will see;
Because He is your Lord, bow down
Before Him rev'rently.

2 Tyre's daughter has arrived,
A costly gift has brought;
And by the wealthy of the land
Your favor now is sought.
The princess now awaits,
Most glorious to behold,
And woven all throughout her gown
Are threads of precious gold.

3 In her embroidered gown
She's taken to the King;
To You her maiden friends are brought,
Companions following.
With gladness they are led,
As people celebrate;
They all approach the King with joy
Within His palace gate.

4 Then in your fathers' place
Your children all will stand,
And you will make them princes then
To rule throughout the land.

I'll cause your name to be
In every age renowned,
And so from peoples evermore
Your praises will abound. **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

“Do not fear, for you will not be ashamed; neither be disgraced, for you will not be put to shame; for you will forget the shame of your youth, and will not remember the reproach of your widowhood anymore. For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is His name; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth. For the Lord has called you like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, like a youthful wife when you were refused,” Says your God. “For a mere moment I have forsaken you, but with great mercies I will gather you. With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; but with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you,” Says the Lord, your Redeemer. **AMEN** *Isaiah 54:4-8*

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

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” **AMEN** *Revelation 21:1-4*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Trinity Hymnal 529

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down:
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find the promised rest:
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

4 Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise. **AMEN**

The Nicene Creed

Trinity Hymnal, page 846

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;**

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

Lord, my heart is not haughty, nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, nor with things too profound for me. Surely I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with his mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me. O Israel, hope in the Lord from this time forth and forever. AMEN *Psalm 131*

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 24:1-28, 62-67

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Seed's Beautiful Bride
Justin Wallick

The Church's One Foundation

Trinity Hymnal 347

1 The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her

To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With ev'ry grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

4 The church shall never perish!
Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish,
Is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her,
And false sons in her pale,
Against or foe or traitor
She ever shall prevail.

5 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

6 Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee. **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

We Are God's People

Trinity Hymnal 355

1 We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,
And strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently,
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

2 We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
Now let us learn how to return
The gift of love once giv'n:
O let us share each joy and care,
And live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.

3 We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us be a family,
Diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God,
And so shall His work on earth be done.

4 We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;
We die alone, for on its own
Each member loses fire:
Yet joined in one the flame burns on
To give warmth and light, and to inspire. **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." **AMEN**

Corinthians 6:14-18

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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**