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, November 29, AD 2020 10:00 AM

Meditation

Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. *Psalm 24:7*

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

Ripley

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, 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 R	eading Psalm 9:1-8
Leader:	I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvelous works.
Congregation:	I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.
Leader:	When my enemies turn back, they shall fall and perish at Your presence.
Congregation:	For You have maintained my right and my cause; You sat on the throne judging in righteousness.
Leader:	You have rebuked the nations, You have destroyed the wicked. You have blotted out their name forever and ever.
Congregation:	O enemy, destructions are finished forever! And, you have destroyed cities; even their memory has perished.

Leader: But the Lord shall endure forever; He has prepared His throne for judgment.

Congregation: He shall judge the world in righteousness, and He shall administer judgment for the peoples in uprightness. AMEN

Thank and Praise Jehovah's Name

Gregory Wilbur*

1 Thank and praise Jehovah's name; For His mercies, firm and sure, From eternity the same To eternity endure. *Refrain*

Refrain: Praise Him, ye who know His love; Praise Him from the depths beneath; Praise Him in the heights above; Praise your Maker all that breathe.

2 Let the ransomed thus rejoice, Gathered out of every land,

As the people of His choice, Plucked from the destroyer's hand. *Refrain*

3 For His truth and mercy stand, Past, and present, and to be, Like the years of His right hand— Like His own eternity. *Refrain* **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore He teaches sinners in the way. The humble He guides in justice, and the humble He teaches His way. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, to such as keep His covenant and His testimonies. For Your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my iniquity, for it is great. **AMEN** *Psalm 25:8-11*

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

"When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men. But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you. And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever." **AMEN**

2 Samuel 7:12-16

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, Great David's greater Son! Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free, To take away transgression, And rule in equity.

2 He comes with comfort speedy To those who suffer wrong; To help the poor and needy, And bid the weak be strong; To give them songs for sighing, Their darkness turn to light, Whose souls condemned and dying, Were precious in His sight.

3 He shall come down like showers Upon the fruitful earth; And love, joy, hope, like flowers, Spring in His path to birth; Before Him on the mountains Shall peace, the herald, go; And righteousness, in fountains, From hill to valley flow.

4 O'er ev'ry foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest, From age to age more glorious, All-blessing and all-blessed; The tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His name shall stand forever-That name to us is Love. **AMEN**

Confession of Faith

The Scots Confession, Chapter 1

Trinity Hymnal 311

Congregation: We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to Whom alone we must cleave, Whom alone we must serve, Whom only we must worship, and in Whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By Whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence for such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of His own glory. AMEN

Intercessory Prayer

O Lord God of hosts, how long will You be angry against the prayer of Your people? You have fed them with the bread of tears, and given them tears to drink in great measure. You have made us a strife to our neighbors, and our enemies laugh among themselves. Restore us, O God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved! **AMEN** *Psalm 80:4-7*

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

Isaiah 61:1-11

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Garments of Praise for the Good News Justin Wallick

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Trinity Hymnal 196

1 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, Joy of every longing heart.

2 Joy to those who long to see Thee, Dayspring from on high, appear; Come, Thou promised Rod of Jesse, Of thy birth we long to hear! O'er the hills the angels singing News, glad tidings of a birth: "Go to Him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."

3 Come to earth to taste our sadness, He whose glories knew no end; By His life He brings us gladness, Our redeemer, Shepherd, Friend, Leaving riches without number, Born within a cattle stall; This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

4 Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child, and yet a King, Born to reign in us for ever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all-sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne. **AMEN**

God Communes With Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

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

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits; The King of kings is drawing near, The Savior of the world is here.

2 A helper just He comes to thee, His chariot is humility, His kingly crown is holiness, His scepter, pity in distress.

3 O blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the Ruler is confessed! O happy hearts and happy homes To whom this King in triumph comes!

4 Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple, set apart From earthly use for heav'n's employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.

5 Redeemer, come! I open wide My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide! Let me Thy inner presence feel; Thy grace and love in me reveal.

6 So come, my Sovereign, enter in! Let new and nobler life begin! Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on, Until the glorious crown be won. **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. **AMEN** *1 Thessalonians 5:16-24*

Benediction

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

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**

Trinity Hymnal 198

Trinity Hymnal 737