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, April 4, AD 2021 10:00 AM

Meditation

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples! For His merciful kindness is great toward us, And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord! Psalm 117

God Calls Us to Worship

I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up, and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried out to You, and You healed me. O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit. Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life; weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. Now in my prosperity I said, "I shall never be moved." Lord, by Your favor You have made my mountain stand strong; You hid Your face, and I was troubled. I cried out to You, O Lord; and to the Lord I made supplication "What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise You? Will it declare Your truth? Hear, O Lord, and have mercy on me; Lord, be my helper!" You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, to the end that my glory may sing praise to You and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever. **AMEN** *Psalm 30*

Psalm 30A

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1 O LORD, I will exalt You, For You have lifted me; My foes You kept from boasting, Denied them victory. O LORD, my God, I pleaded That You might heal and save; LORD, You from death have ransomed, And kept me from the grave.

2 Sing praises, O you godly, Who to the LORD belong; And to His name most holy Show gratitude in song. His anger lasts a moment, His grace through life goes on; Though through the night tears linger, Great joy comes with the dawn. 3 When prosp'rous, I once boasted, "Unmoved I shall remain." But You, LORD, by Your favor My mountain's strength maintain; For when Your face was hidden, I then became dismayed. O LORD, to You I cried out, And to the Lord I prayed:

4 "O where is the advantage If my blood should be shed? Will dust declare You faithful, Can praise come from the dead? O LORD, to me be gracious, And hear me as I've prayed. To You, O LORD, I cry out O be my help, my aid."

5 You turned my grief to dancing, From sackcloth set me free. You wrapped me up in gladness; I shall not silent be. Indeed, my soul, my glory, Will praise You and adore; O LORD, my God, I'll thank You Both now and evermore. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

From Exodus 15

Leader: I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously!

Congregation: The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!

Leader: The Lord is my strength and song.

Congregation: And, He has become my salvation.

Leader: He is my God, and I will praise Him.

Congregation: My father's God, and I will exalt Him.

Leader: The Lord is a man of war.

Congregation: The Lord is His name.

Leader: Pharaoh's chariots and his army He has cast into the sea.

Congregation: His chosen captains also are drowned in the Red Sea.

Leader: The depths have covered them.

Congregation: They sank to the bottom like a stone.

Leader: Your right hand, O Lord, has become glorious in power.

Congregation: Your right hand, O Lord, has dashed the enemy in pieces. AMEN

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Trinity Hymnal 286

1 Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the risen King!

2 See the tomb where death had laid Him, Empty now, its mouth declares: "Death and I could not contain Him, For the throne of life He shares." Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the risen King!

3 Hear the earth protest and tremble, See the stone removed with pow'r; All hell's minions may assemble, But cannot withstand His hour. He has conquered, He has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!

4 Doubt may lift its head to murmur, Scoffers mock and sinners jeer; But the truth proclaims a wonder Thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, He is risen, Now receive the risen King!

5 We acclaim Your life, O Jesus, Now we sing Your victory; Sin or hell may seek to seize us, But Your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, Worship Christ, the risen King! **AMEN**

Confession of Sin

...Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. **AMEN** *1 Corinthians 5:6b-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

And in this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all people a feast of choice pieces, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of well-refined wines on the lees. And He will destroy on this mountain the surface of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; the rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; for the Lord has spoken. And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." **AMEN** Isaiah 25:6-9

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Thine Be the Glory

Trinity Hymnal 274

1 Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won; Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

2 Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb; Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom; Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. *Refrain*

3 No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is naught without Thee: aid us in our strife; Make us more than conqu'rors, thro' Thy deathless love: Bring us safe thro' Jordan to Thy home above. *Refrain*. **AMEN**

The Baptism of Forrest Hudson Price

Intercessory Prayer

Also Your righteousness, O God, is very high, You who have done great things; O God, who is like You? You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, shall revive me again, and bring me up again from the depths of the earth. You shall increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side. **AMEN** *Psalm 71:19-21*

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

Mark 16:1-20

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The King of the Nations Justin Wallick

Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem

Trinity Hymnal 271

1 Sing, choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ, Your sweetest notes employ The paschal victory to hymn In songs of holy joy, In songs of holy joy, In songs of holy joy!

2 For Judah's Lion burst His chains And crushed the serpent's head, And crushed the serpent's head; Christ cries aloud through Death's domains To wake th'imprisoned dead, To wake th'imprisoned dead, To wake th'imprisoned dead.

3 Triumphant in His glory now-To Him all pow'r is giv'n, To Him all pow'r is giv'n; To Him in one communion bow All saints in earth and heav'n, All saints in earth and heav'n, All saints in earth and heav'n.

4 All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit be While endless ages run, While endless ages run, While endless ages run. **AMEN**

God Communes With Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

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 Worship Christ, the Cornerstone

1 We worship Christ, the Cornerstone, Who made us one in Him alone! Not Jew nor Gentile, bond nor free, This commonwealth of unity. Our Lord has from the two made one, And with His blood our peace has won. Gregory Wilbur*

2 Brought near in Christ, the Prince of Peace, Our envy, strife, and warfare cease; For tribes and tongues, and strangers all, Our Peace has broken down the wall; New covenant mercy He extends To us His fellow heirs and friends.

3 One faith, one hope of heav'n above, A unity of holy love; One body made of many parts, A unity of loving hearts; One temple built of cast-off stone, Made holy by the Holy One.

4 To Jesus Christ we lift one voice— The household of our Father's choice— Whose love makes ours for others grow And makes the watching world to know That our abiding Cornerstone Has made us one in Christ alone! Amen, Amen, Amen! **AMEN**

God Commissions Us

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. **AMEN** *1 Corinthians 15:50-58*

Benediction

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Trinity Hymnal 277

"Christ the Lord is risen today," Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia! **AMEN**