

# 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, April 11, AD 2021 10:00 AM**

Meditation

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.  
*Luke 12:34*

## God Calls Us to Worship

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you stars of light! Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created. He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away. **AMEN**  
*Psalm 148:1-6*

### Psalm 148A

### St. Catherines

1 From heav'n O praise the LORD!  
On high the LORD O praise!  
All angels, praise accord;  
Let all His hosts give praise.  
Praise Him on high,  
Sun, moon, and star  
Sun, moon, and star  
You heav'ns afar,  
And cloudy sky.

2 O let them glorify  
The LORD's majestic name;  
When He spoke from on high,  
They into being came.  
And He arranged,  
Where they should stand,  
Where they should stand  
By His command  
Cannot be changed.

3 From earth O praise the LORD  
You deeps and all below.  
Wild winds that do His word;  
You clouds, fire, hail, and snow;  
Hills low and high,  
And cedars tall,

And cedars tall,  
Beasts great and small,  
And birds that fly.

4 Let all the peoples praise,  
And kings of every land;  
Let all their voices raise  
Who judge and give command.  
By young and old,  
By girl and boy,  
By girl and boy,  
His name with joy  
Should be extolled.

5 The LORD alone be praised  
Above the earth and sky!  
He for His saints has raised  
A King to rule on high;  
So praise accord  
O Israel,  
O Israel,  
Who near Him dwell,  
O praise the LORD! **AMEN**

### **Responsive Reading**

### **Colossians 1:13-18**

Leader: God has delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of the Son of His love,

**Congregation: In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.**

Leader: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

**Congregation: For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers.**

Leader: All things were created through Him and for Him.

**Congregation: And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.**

Leader: And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning,

**Congregation: The firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. AMEN**

### **We Come, O Christ, to You**

### **Trinity Hymnal 181**

1 We come, O Christ, to You,  
True Son of God and man,  
By Whom all things consist,  
In Whom all life began:  
In You alone we live and move,  
And have our being in Your love.

2 You are the Way to God,  
Your blood our ransom paid;  
In You we face our Judge  
And Maker unafraid.  
Before the throne absolved we stand,  
Your love has met Your law's demand.

3 You are the living Truth!  
All wisdom dwells in You,  
The Source of every skill,  
The one eternal TRUE!  
O great I AM! In You we rest,  
Sure answer to our every quest.

4 You only are true Life,  
To know You is to live  
The more abundant life  
That earth can never give:  
O risen Lord! We live in You:  
In us each day Your life renew!

5 We worship You, Lord Christ,  
Our Savior and our King,  
To You our youth and strength  
Adoringly we bring:  
So fill our hearts, that all may view  
Your life in us, and turn to You.  
**AMEN**

## Confession of Sin

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you— unless you believed in vain. **AMEN**

*1 Corinthians 15:1-2*

### Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Congregation: Lord Jesus, we sin.**

**Grant that we may never cease grieving because of it,  
Never be content with self,  
Never think we can reach a point of perfection.  
Kill our envy, command our tongues, trample down self.  
Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable,  
To live for You and not for self, to copy Your words, acts, spirit,  
To be transformed into Your likeness, to be consecrated wholly to  
You, To live entirely to Your glory through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
AMEN**

## Assurance of Pardon

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls. **AMEN**

*1 Peter 1:6-9*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

## O God How Good Thou Art

Gregory Wilbur\*

1 O God, how good Thou art  
To all the pure of heart,  
Though life seems vain;  
Burdened with anxious care,  
I groped in dark despair,  
Till in Thy house of prayer  
All was made plain.

2 Ever, O Lord, with Thee,  
All shall be well with me,  
Held by Thy hand;  
And Thou wilt guide my feet  
By Thy own counsel sweet,  
Till I, for glory meet,  
In glory stand.

3 In earth or heaven above  
Who is there that I love  
Compared with Thee?  
My heart may faint with fears,  
But God my strength appears,  
And will to endless years  
My portion be.

4 O it is good that I  
May still to God draw nigh,  
As oft before;  
The Lord Jehovah blest,  
My refuge and my rest,  
Shall be in praise confessed  
For evermore. **AMEN**

## Confession of Faith

## The Apostles' Creed

**Congregation:** I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended into Hades.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **AMEN**

## Intercessory Prayer

O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You In a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, to see Your power and Your glory. Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You. Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth shall praise You with joyful lips. **AMEN** *Psalm 63:1-5*

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

John 20:19-31

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Love Your Lord and Your God  
*Justin Wallick*

**O God Beyond All Praising**

Trinity Hymnal 660

1 O God beyond all praising, we worship You today  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,  
At blessings without number and mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word,  
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

2 Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,  
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:  
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. **AMEN**

# God Communes With Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

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

## Lift High the Cross

Trinity Hymnal 263

*Refrain:*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1 Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*

2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. *Refrain*

3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee. *Refrain*

4 Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease  
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace. *Refrain*

5 For Thy blest cross which doth for us atone,  
Creation's praises rise before Thy throne. *Refrain* **AMEN**

## God Commissions Us

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one. **AMEN** *1 John 5:1-8*

## 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**