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 25, AD 2021 10:00 AM

Meditation

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. *Ephesians 4:32*

God Calls Us to Worship

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory. The Lord has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of a psalm, with trumpets and the sound of a horn; shout joyfully before the Lord, the King. Let the sea roar, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell in it; let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the Lord, for He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, and the peoples with equity. **AMEN**

Psalm 98A

Desert

1 O sing a new song to the LORD For wonders He has done, For wonders He has done; His right hand and His holy arm (parts) The victory have won.

2 The great salvation wrought by Him Jehovah has made known, Jehovah has made known. His justice in the nations' sight (parts) He openly has shown.

3 He mindful of His grace and truth To Isr'el's house has been, To Isr'el's house has been. The great salvation of our God (parts) All ends of earth have seen.

4 O all the earth, sing to the LORD And make a joyful sound, And make a joyful sound. Lift up your voice aloud to Him; (parts) Sing psalms! Let joy resound! 5 With harp make music to the LORD; With harp a psalm O sing, With harp a psalm O sing! With horn and trumpet raise a shout (parts) Before the LORD, the King.

6 Let seas in all their vastness roar, The world, its living horde, The world, its living horde. Let rivers clap, let mountains sing (parts) Their joy before the LORD!

7 Because He comes, He surely comes, The judge of earth to be, The judge of earth to be! With justice He will judge the world, (parts) All men with equity. **AMEN**

Responsive Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-20

Leader:	For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body
Congregation:	So also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Leader:	Whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.
Congregation:	For in fact the body is not one member but many.
Leader:	If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body?
Congregation:	And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body?
Leader:	If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing?
Congregation:	If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling?
Leader:	But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. And if they were all one member, where would the body be?
Congregation:	But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. AMEN.

We Worship Christ, the Cornerstone

Gregory Wilbur*

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. 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**

Confession of Sin

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age... **AMEN** *Titus 2:11-12*

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

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

...looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. **AMEN** Titus 2:13-14

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

All Who With Heart Confiding

1 All who, with heart confiding, Depend on God alone, Like Zion's mount abiding, Shall ne'er be overthrown Like Zion's city, bounded By guarding mountains broad, His people are surrounded Forever by their God.

2 No scepter of oppression Shall hold unbroken sway, Lest unto base transgression The righteous turn away. Thy favor be imparted To godly men, O LORD, Bless all that are pure-hearted, The good with good reward.

3 The men who falsehood cherish, Forsaking truth and right, With wicked men shall perish; God will their sin requite; From sin Thy saints defending, Their joy, O Lord, increase, With mercy never ending And everlasting peace. **AMEN**

Confession of Faith

Selections from the Westminster Creed

Congregation: I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all His creatures and all their actions. AMEN

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Intercessory Prayer

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. **AMEN** *Psalm 23*

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 17:1-26

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Love One Another Justin Wallick

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love: The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

2 Before the Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

3 We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear, And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

4 When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain; But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again.

5 This glorious hope revives Our courage by the way, While each in expectation lives, And longs to see the day.

6 From sorrow, toil and pain, And sin, we shall be free; And perfect love and friendship reign Through all eternity. **AMEN**

God Communes With Us

Elder: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

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

Trinity Hymnal 359

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 Commissions Us

For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. **AMEN** *Galatians 6:13-16*

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**