Christ Church

Worshiping Christ and equipping God's people to extend His Lordship down through our generations and out into the world.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP Lord's Day, February 26, AD 2023 10:00 AM

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

PSALM 98





- 2 The great salvation wrought by Him Jehovah has made known.
 His justice in the nations' sight He openly has shown.
 - 3He mindful of His grace and truth
 To Isr'el's house has been.

 The great salvation of our God
 All ends of earth have seen.
- 4. 4O all the earth, sing to the LORD And make a joyful sound. Lift up your voice aloud to Him; Sing psalms! Let joy resound!

- 5. With harp make music to the LORD;
 With harp a psalm O sing!
 With horn and trumpet raise a shout Before the LORD, the King.
 - 7 Let seas in all their vastness roar,
 The world, its living horde.
 8 Let rivers clap, let mountains sing
 Their joy 9 before the LORD!
- Because He comes, He surely comes,
 The judge of earth to be!
 With justice He will judge the world,
 All men with equity.

PSALM 122

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of

the LORD."

Congregation: Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Leader: Jerusalem is built as a city that is compact together, where the

tribes go up,

Congregation: The tribes of the LORD, to the Testimony of Israel, to

give thanks to the name of the LORD.

Leader: For thrones are set there for judgment,

Congregation: The thrones of the house of David.

Leader: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

Congregation: "May they prosper who love you."

Leader: Peace be within your walls,

Congregation: Prosperity within you palaces."

Leader: For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say,

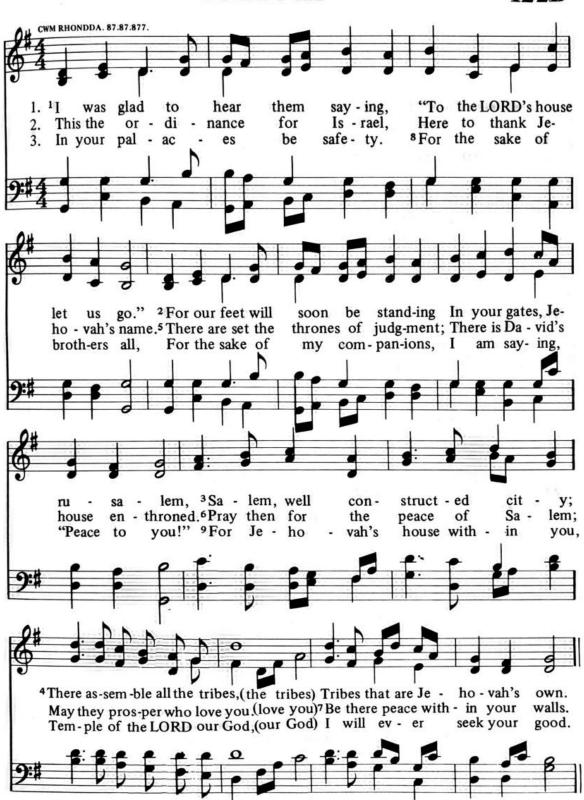
"Peace be within you."

Congregation: Because of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek

your good. AMEN



PSALM 122



CONFESSION OF SIN

OLD TESTAMENT READING: DEUTERONOMY 21:18-23

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

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God. **AMEN**

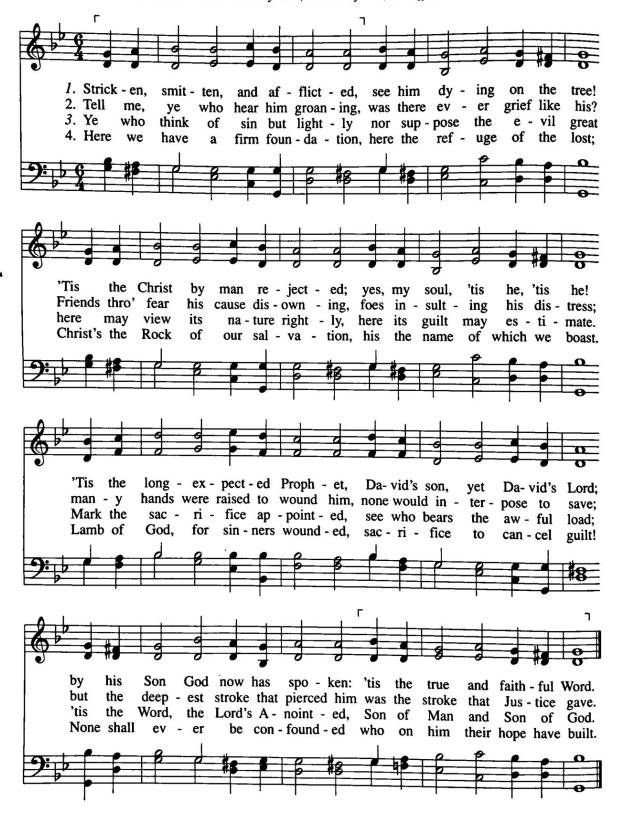
1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

We considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4



HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, Q. 1

Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?

A: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him. AMEN

Help, LORD, for the godly man ceases! For the faithful disappear from among the sons of men. They speak idly everyone with his neighbor; with flattering lips and a double heart they speak. May the LORD cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaks proud things, who have said, "With our tongue we will prevail; our lips are our own; who is lord over us?" "For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now I will arise," says the LORD; "I will set him in the safety for which he yearns." **AMEN**Psalm 12:1-5

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

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

Matthew 111:1-19

Leader:

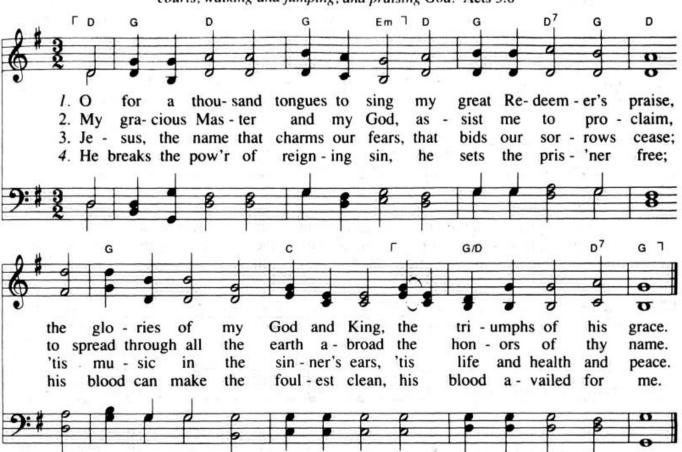
The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. Acts 3:8



- He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.
- Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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: 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





GOD COMMISSIONS US

EPISTLE READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-13

BENEDICTION

*Verse 1

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

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I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up. Acts 20:32

