# **Christ Church**

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

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP Lord's Day, March 12, AD 2023 10:00 AM

### **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

#### PSALM READING: PSALM 33:1-12



#### PSALM 92

#### Leader: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, Congregation: And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High!

Leader: To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning, **Congregation: And, Your faithfulness every night,** 

Leader: On an instrument of ten strings, on the lute, **Congregation: And on the harp, with harmonious sound.** 

Leader: For You, LORD, have made me glad through Your work; Congregation: I will triumph in the works of Your hands.

Leader: O LORD, how great are Your works! Congregation: Your thoughts are very deep.

Leader: A senseless man does not know, Congregation: Nor does a fool understand this.

Leader: When the wicked spring up like grass, and when all the workers of iniquity flourish,

Congregation: It is that they may be destroyed forever. ALL: But You, LORD, are on high forevermore.

Leader: For behold, Your enemies, O LORD,

Congregation: For behold, Your enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

Leader: But my horn You have exalted like a wild ox; Congregation: I have been anointed with fresh oil.

Leader: My eye also has seen my desire on my enemies. Congregation: My ears hear my desire on the wicked who rise up against me.

Leader: The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree. **Congregation: He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.** 

Leader: Those who are planted in the house of the LORD, **Congregation: Shall flourish in the courts of our God.** 

Leader: They shall still bear fruit in old age; Congregation: They shall be fresh and flourishing,

Leader: To declare that the LORD is upright. Congregation: He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. AMEN



## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING: DEUTERONOMY 5:1-22**

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: O, My Savior, I thank You from the depths of my being for Your wondrous grace and love in bearing my sin in Your own body on the tree. May Your cross be to me as the tree that sweetens my bitter Marahs, as the rod that blossoms with life and beauty, as the brazen serpent that calls forth the look of faith. By Your cross crucify my every sin. O my Lord and Savior, You have also appointed a cross for me to take up and carry, a cross before You give me a crown. Teach me, gracious Lord and Savior, that with my cross You send promised grace so that I may bear it patiently, that my cross is Your yoke which is easy, and Your burden which is light. AMEN

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

"I will betroth you to Me forever; yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, in lovingkindness and mercy; I will betroth you to Me in faithfulness, and you shall know the LORD. "It shall come to pass in that day that I will answer," says the LORD; "I will answer the heavens, and they shall answer the earth. The earth shall answer with grain, with new wine, and with oil; they shall answer Jezreel. Then I will sow her for Myself in the earth, and I will have mercy on her who had not obtained mercy; Then I will say to those who were not My people, 'You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!'" **AMEN** 

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

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# Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. Acts 2:24



## THE SCOTS CONFESSION, CHAPTER 1

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

You have a mighty arm; strong is Your hand, and high is Your right hand. Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; mercy and truth go before Your face. Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound! They walk, O LORD, in the light of Your countenance. In Your name they rejoice all day long, and in Your righteousness they are exalted. **AMEN** *Psalm 89:13-16* 

#### **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

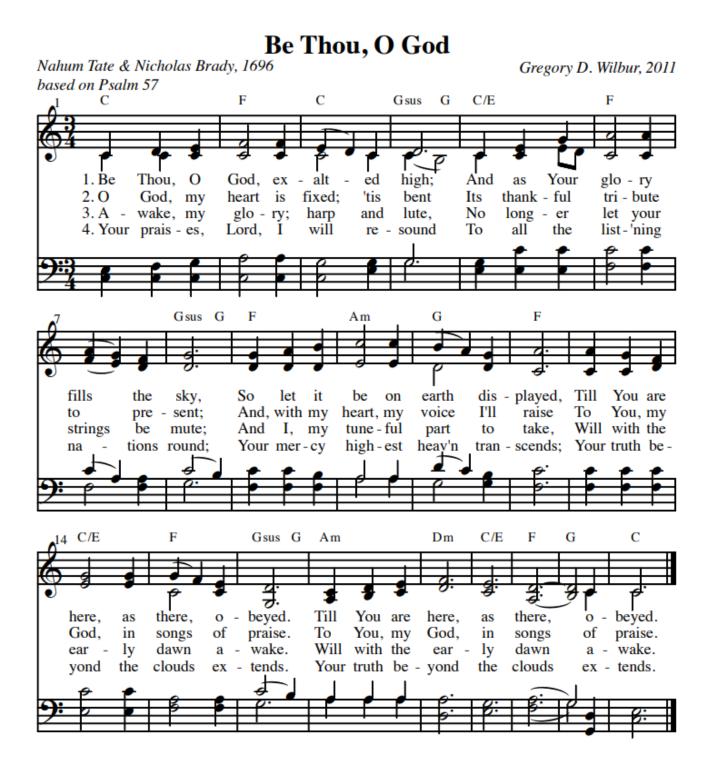
# GOD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

#### The Reading of the Scriptures

Matthew 12:1-14

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God



## **GOD COMMUNES WITH US**

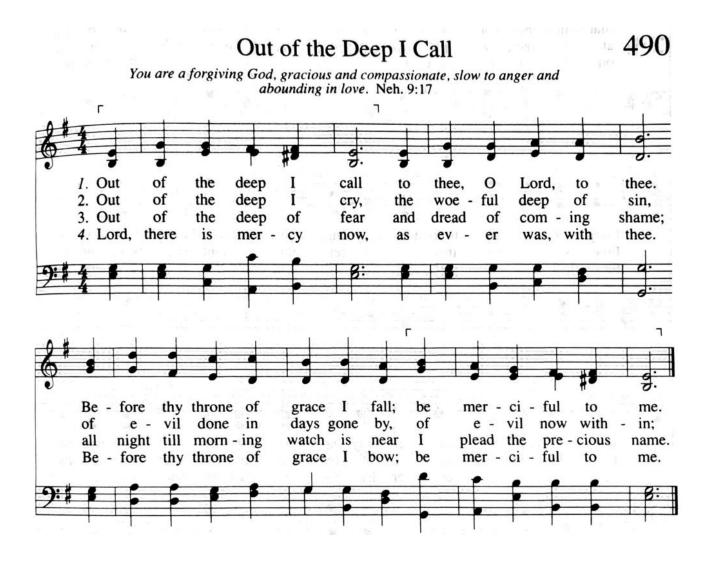
Elder: God is good!

#### Congregation: All the time!

Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Let us pray.

Congregation: 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

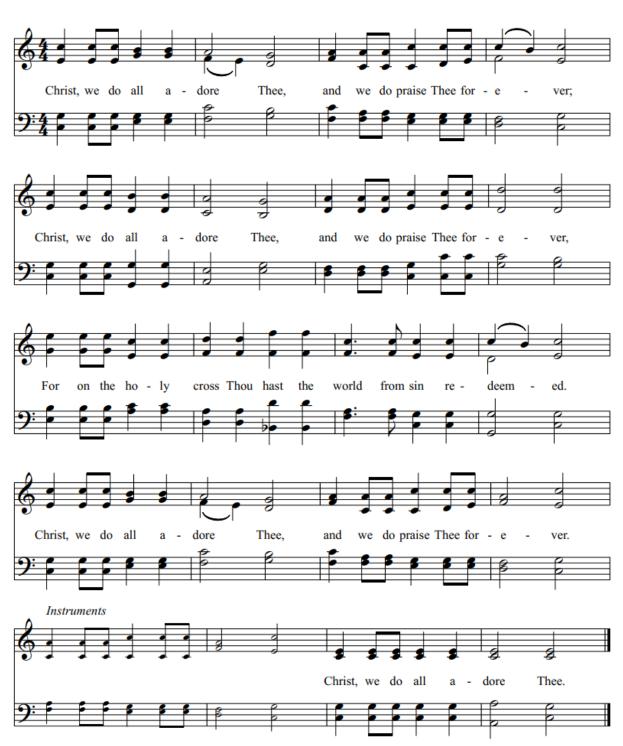
#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER



## **GOD COMMISSIONS US**

#### **EPISTLE READING: TITUS 3:1-11**

#### **BENEDICTION**



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