



CHRIST
CHURCH

February 15, 2026

Prelude

Welcome

Silent meditation Luke 24:32

They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?”

G O D C A L L S U S T O W O R S H I P

Call to Worship Psalm 16:11 Elder Steven Ophoff

You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

* ***Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*** Trinity Hymnal 303

* **Invocation** *concluding with “The Lord’s Prayer,” spoken together*

Our Father who is 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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

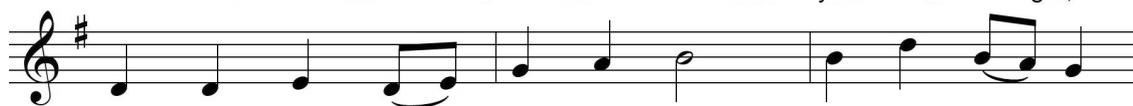
GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

The Southern Harmony, 1835



1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y,
2. Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come,
3. Come ye wea - ry hea - vy lad - en,
4. Let not con - science make you lin - ger,



weak and wound - ed, sick and sore; Je - sus read - y
God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy; true be - lief and
lost and ruin - ed by the fall; if you tar - ry
nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness



stands to save you, full of pit - y, love and power.
true re - pen - tance, ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.
till you're bet - ter, you will nev - er come at all.
he re - quir - eth is to know your need of him.



I will a-rise and go to Je - sus; he will em-brace me with his arms;



in the arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

Call to confession Philippians 2:1-3

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

Prayer of confession followed by a time of silent confession

Declaration of Forgiveness Philippians 2:4-11

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reception of New Members

Ken & Elizabeth Whitley	8:30
Elizabeth Husa	11:15

Baptism 8:30

Daniel Drew Mason, covenant son of Richard Mason and Annie Shek

8:30 service On the final verse of the song below, 4- to 5- year-olds are invited to the foyer to join Christ Kids Worship and will return following the sermon.

11:15 service Church bags are available in the foyer for 4- to 5-year-olds who need some quiet activities during the sermon.

*** *Thine be the Glory*** Trinity Hymnal 274

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US

* Scripture reading

Acts 2:22-41

²² “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

²⁵ For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand
that I may not be shaken;

²⁶ therefore my heart was glad,
and my tongue rejoiced;

my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness
with your presence.’

²⁹ “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned

to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.”⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Elder: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

* Prayer

Sermon Preaching to the Heart

Pastor Michael Anderson

Jesus, the heart of the gospel (22-36)

Invites a response from the heart (37-41)

Further discussion/questions? michaelanderson@christchurchgr.org
Sermons are available online at www.christchurchgr.org

DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

* *Ah, Holy Jesus* Trinity Hymnal 248

Verses 1 & 2 All
Verse 4 Soloist
Verse 5 All

Living out our faith announcements about the life of the church

Prayers of the People

During the offertory, please pass the red friendship pads found at the end of the rows.

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Offertory *Open Hands* solo by The Porter's Gate

The earth you made and blest in days,
your spirit breathing into clay:
Lord, I receive with open hands

The breath that fails, the light that fades
while earth and heaven pass away
I let them go with open hands

In desert days a feast you spread
and with your manna I am fed
Lord, I receive with open hands

And when another needs this bread
They ask as Christ, who broke and blessed
I let it go with open hands

The work that waits for me today,
the joys and sorrows on the way,
Lord, I receive with open hands.

I bring you any good I've gained
I give because you freely gave
I let it go with open hands

* *Doxology* Trinity Hymnal 731

* **Benediction**

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward and play rhythm instruments as we sing our closing Amen song.

*** Amen, God Will Send**

by Bruce Benedict, 2024

Amen, God will
send his Spi - rit in - to the
world to heal and mend it.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Amen, God Will Send". It consists of three staves of music in treble clef, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a dotted quarter note, then a half note, and a quarter note. The second staff starts with a quarter note, followed by a half note, a quarter note, and a half note. The third staff begins with a quarter note, followed by a half note, a quarter note, and a half note. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

*** Postlude**

Prayer Partners are available to pray with you right now. Come to the area by the organ with anything on your heart: praise, fears, questions, thanksgiving. We'll sit down and pray together.

Worship musicians

Amy Miller, song leader
Joseph DeVries, trumpet
Susan Guerra, piano

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:68

1. Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we are gath - ered
 2. All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
 3. Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part, Light of light, from
 4. Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and

all to hear you; let our hearts and souls be stirred
 dark-ness shroud - ed, till your Spir - it breaks our night
 God pro - ceed - ing; o - pen now our ears and heart,
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we your Word may trust

now to seek and love and fear you, by your teach - ings,
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
 help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing; hear the cry your
 and ob - tain true con - so - la - tion, while we here be -

sweet and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.
 God can win us; you must work all good with - in us.
 peo - ple rais - es, hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
 low must wan - der, till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

Thine Be the Glory

Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:57

1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he
 3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,
 out thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes,
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth,
 thro' thy death - less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan

REFRAIN
 where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son;
 to thy home a - bove.

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

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Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4



1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
 2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
 3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
 4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
 5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,



that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
 A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
 • the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
 thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
 I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy



rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 • tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
 an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.



Doxology

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Ps. 150:6

G D Em Bm Em D G
 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

D Em C G D Em D G D G C D G
 crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

G D G Em D Am G D G C G
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.