



CHRIST
CHURCH

May 31, 2026

Prelude *Alleluia with The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* piano arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Introit *Gloria!* women's chorus by Emily Crocker

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria Deo Patris. (*Glory to God in the highest, Glory to God, the Father.*)
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria Deo Patris.

Let all people on earth give thanks, come lift your hearts on high.
Nature rings with joyful voice, let praises fill the sky!

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria Deo Patris.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria Deo. Amen.

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP



Call to Worship Psalm 93:4 Pastor Michael Anderson

Mightier than the thunders of many waters,
Mightier than the waves of the sea,
The Lord on high is mighty!



*** All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above** Trinity Hymnal 4



*** Invocation**

Psallam Deo women's chorus text, Psalm 104:33-34; music, Richard Ewer

Cantabo Domino. (*I will sing to the Lord.*)
Psallam Deo. (*I will sing praises to God.*)
Cantabo Domino in vita mea. (*I will sing to the Lord in my life.*)
Psallam Deo. (*I will sing praises to God.*)
Psallam Deo meo quamdiu sum. (*I will sing to my God as long as I live.*)
Psallam Deo. (*I will sing praises to God.*)
Ego vero delectabor in Dominu. (*Indeed, I will delight in the Lord.*)

** Please rise in body and/or in spirit.*

GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL



Call to confession

Psalm 93:5

Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house,
O LORD, forevermore.



Prayer of confession

followed by a time of silent confession



Declaration of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Baptism (9:00)

Anna Lynn Helder, covenant daughter of Colin & Sarah

Today is a 5th Sunday, which means it's a Family Sunday for our Christ Kids Worship children! They will stay with their families through the entire service and are welcome to use church bags, which are available in the foyer.



*** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

Trinity Hymnal 521

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US



* Scripture reading Acts 9:19b-31, 2 Corinthians 11:30-33, Galatians 1:15-24

^{9:19} and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus.

²⁰ And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."²¹ And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?"²² But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

²³ When many days had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him,²⁴ but their plot became known to Saul. They were watching the gates day and night in order to kill him,²⁵ but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket.

²⁶ And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples. And they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple.²⁷ But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus.²⁸ So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord.²⁹ And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to kill him.³⁰ And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

Acts 9:19b-31 ³¹ So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

2 Corinthians 11:30-33

^{11:30} If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.³¹ The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.³² At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me,³³ but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands.

Galatians 1:15-24

¹⁵ But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace,¹⁶ was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone;¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days.¹⁹ But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.²⁰ (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!)²¹ Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia.²² And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ.²³ They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy."²⁴ And they glorified God because of me.

Elder: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!



* Prayer



Sermon

Walking On

Pastor Andrew VanderMaas

Strength

Weakness

Walking On

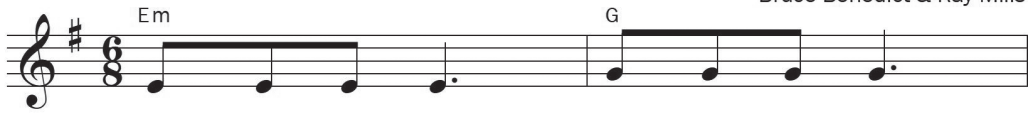
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DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD



* Come, Holy Ghost

Bruce Benedict & Ray Mills



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest,
 2. O Com - for - ter, to thee we cry,
 3. O Ho - ly Ghost, through thee a - lone,
 4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and Son,



and in our hearts ___ take up ___ thy rest;
 thou heav'n - ly gift ___ of God ___ most high;
 know we the Fa - ther and ___ the Son;
 and Ho - ly Spir - it with ___ them one;



come with thy grace and heav'n - ly aid
 thou fount of life, and fire of love,
 be this our firm un - chang - ing creed,
 and may the Son on us be - stow



to fill our hearts ___ which thou ___ hast made,
 and sweet a - noin - ting from ___ a - bove,
 that thou dost from ___ them both ___ pro - ceed,
 all gifts that from ___ the Spir - it flow,



to fill our hearts ___ which thou ___ has made. *to Vs 2*
 and sweet a - noint - ing from ___ a - bove. *to Chorus*
 that thou dost from ___ them both ___ pro - ceed. *to Vs 4*
 all gifts that from ___ the Spir - it flow. *to Chorus*

Be not a - fraid, (Ah _____) where you go there I am

with you. Be not a - fraid, (Ah _____) where you go there I am with you.____

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Living out our faith announcements about the life of the church



Prayers of the People

Deacon Josiah Vander Maas (9:00)
Deacon Mike Herrema (11:00)

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

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Offertory *Thou Art Worthy* piano solo

arr. Mark Hayes

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory, glory and honor, glory and honor and power
For Thou hast created, hast all things created, Thou hast created all things;
And for Thy pleasure they are created – Thou art worthy, O Lord.



*** 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.**



*** Benediction**

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



*** And All the People Said Amen!**

Matt Maher

And-all the peo-ple said "A-men" Oh _____ And all the peo-ple said "A-

men." Give thanks to the Lord for his love ____ ne-ver ends.

And all the peo - ple said "A - men."

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.

*** Postlude**

Worship musicians

Women's Chorus
Jina Jang, soloist

Esther Ratajeski, director
Janelle Stutzman, piano

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. Ps. 107:15

1. All praise to God, who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
 2. What God's al - might - y pow'r hath made his gra - cious mer - cy
 3. I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my
 4. The Lord for - sak - eth not his flock, his cho - sen gen - er -

a - tion, the God of won - ders, pow'r, and love, the God of our sal -
 keep - eth; by morn - ing dawn or eve - ning shade his watch - ful eye ne'er
 call - ing! For death he gave me life in - deed and kept my feet from
 a - tion; he is their ref - uge and their rock, their peace and their sal -

va - tion! With heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the God who
 sleep - eth; with - in the king - dom of his might, lo, all is
 fall - ing. For this my thanks shall end - less be; O thank him,
 va - tion. As with a moth - er's ten - der hand he leads his

ev - ery sor - row stills. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 just and all is right. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 thank our God with me. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 own, his cho - sen band. To God all praise and glo - ry!

5. Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
 Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
 All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
 To God all praise and glory!

6. Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;
 to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
 Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well.
 To God all praise and glory!

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 3:11

Capo 3: F(D)

C(A)

F(D)

B \flat (G)

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and
 2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
 3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

C(A)

F(D)

C(A)

F(D)

right - teous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
 whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
 him be found; dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

B \flat (G)

C(A)

F(D)

REFRAIN

B \flat (G)

whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

F(D)

C(A)

F(D)

B \flat (G)

F(D)

C⁷(A⁷)

F(D) 7

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.