



CHRIST CHURCH  
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# Prelude - Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

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1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
 In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
 Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
 Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
 Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
 Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above  
 Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;  
 In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
 We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
 And wither and perish - but naught changeth thee.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
 Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
 All praise we would render; O help us to see  
 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

## Praise

### Call to Worship - Psalm 134

[1] Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,  
 who stand by night in the house of the LORD!

[2] Lift up your hands to the holy place  
 and bless the LORD!

[3] May the LORD bless you from Zion,  
 he who made heaven and earth! (ESV)

## Invocation

# Affirmation of Faith - The Christ Church Creed

*Minister:* Brothers and sisters in Christ, what do you believe?

***Congregation:* The Lord our God, the Lord is One.**

**Having decreed all things,**

**Our God directs them for his glory.**

**Having created all things,**

**The Lord sustains them according to his will.**

**Existing in three persons,**

**The triune God has worked the redemption of his people.**

**Loving us while we were still sinners,**

**The Father sent his Son to die for the ungodly.**

**Obedying the Father in perfect love,**

**The Son gave his life for our redemption.**

**Being sent by the Father and the Son,**

**The Holy Spirit works new life in us.**

**Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise - Be Thou My Vision

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1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

4. High king of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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## Confession

### Scriptural Warning - Hebrews 10.26-31

[26] For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, [27] but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. [28] Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. [29] How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? [30] For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." [31] It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. (ESV)

### Way of Salvation - Hebrews 12.18-25

[18] For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest [19] and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. [20] For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." [21] Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." [22] But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, [23] and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, [24] and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

[25] See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. (ESV)

## Confession of Sin - based on Hebrews 12

***Congregation:* Heavenly Father, we confess that we are a people with drooping hands, weak knees, and crooked paths. We have not lifted our hands in praise. We have not steadfastly stood on the promises of the gospel. We have not walked in the narrow way. Indeed, we are lame and cannot.**

**We do not strive for peace in all things. We have not pursued holiness with our whole heart. We have nurtured the root of bitterness as a precious flower.**

**Yet we still run to Sinai to fix ourselves. Surely, if you are not gracious to us, we will fail to obtain your grace, for our hearts are continually enticed by sin. We confess our sin before you.**

**Strengthen us by your Spirit that we may “lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely,” and that we may “run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.” Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon - Hebrews 9.11-12

[11] But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) [12] he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. (ESV)

## Exhortation to Holiness - Hebrews 12.28-29

[28] Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, [29] for our God is a consuming fire. (ESV)

# Hymn of Response - It is Finished (part II )

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1. Hark, the voice of love and mercy,  
sounds aloud from Calvary!  
See, it rends the rocks asunder,  
shakes the earth and veils the sky!  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
hear the dying Savior cry.  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
hear the dying Savior cry.

2. “It is finished,” O what pleasure,  
do these charming words afford.  
Heavenly blessings, without measure,  
flow to us from Christ the Lord.  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
saints the dying words record.  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
saints the dying words record.

3. Finished all the types and shadows,  
of the ceremonial law;  
finished all that God had promised;  
death and hell no more shall awe.  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
saints from hence your comfort draw.  
“It is finished, it is finished,”  
saints from hence your comfort draw.

4. Tune your harps anew, you seraphs;  
join to sing the pleasing theme;  
saints on earth and all in heaven,  
join to praise Immanuel’s name.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Glory to the bleeding Lamb!  
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# Means of Grace

## Pastoral Prayer

### Scripture Reading - [Exodus 24](#)

*Minister:* This is the Word of the Lord.

*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Sermon

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.  
 Thy Kingdom come.  
 Thy will be done in 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 evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
 For ever and ever. Amen.

## Prayer for Illumination

### Sermon - [Mark 9.2-13](#)

The Transfiguration

## Lord's Supper

### Behold The Lamb

1. Behold! the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
 Slain for us, and we remember.  
 The promise made that all who come in faith  
 Find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice,  
 As a sign of our bonds of peace  
 Around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,  
 Torn for you, eat and remember.  
 The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
 Paid the price to make us one.  
 So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice,  
 As a sign of our bonds of love  
 Around the table of the King.

3. The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin,  
 Shed for you drink and remember.  
 He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
 To receive the life of God.  
 So we share in this bread of life,  
 And we drink of His sacrifice,  
 As a sign of our bonds of grace  
 Around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith  
 We rise to respond and to remember,  
 Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
 As His body here on earth.  
 As we share in His suffering,  
 We proclaim Christ will come again,  
 And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
 Around the table of the King.

## Gloria Patri

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.

# Response

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Benediction - Numbers 6.24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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