

Christ Church

Prelude

Moments of Concern

Call to Worship: Psalm 107:31-32

Oh, that men would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness,
And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
Let them exalt Him also in the assembly of the people,
And praise Him in the company of the elders.

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 20 (page 18)

Q. What do you believe concerning "the Holy Spirit"?

A. First, He, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God.
Second, He has been given to me personally, so that, by true
faith, He makes me share in Christ and all His blessings,
comforts me, and remains with me forever.

***Hymn of Adoration:** 337 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Call to Confession: Psalm 51:10-12 Create in me a clean heart, O
God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away
from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your
generous Spirit.

Prayer of Confession: Father in heaven, forgive us for we have not
sought the leading of the Holy Spirit. We have failed to engage in
spiritual disciplines with fitting zeal. We have not been faithful to pray
for grace to produce the fruit of the Spirit. We have ignored
conviction the Spirit has brought us. We have not diligently used the
gifts we have received from Your Holy Spirit to serve Christ's kingdom.
We have not sought the Spirit's help to prepare our hearts to receive
Scripture. Have mercy on us, and bring us cleansing as Your Spirit
works within us. We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Agnus Dei:

Women & Children: O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes
away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Men: O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the
world, have mercy upon us.

All: O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the
world, grant us your peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: 2 Chronicles 34:26b-27 Thus says the Lord God
of Israel: "Concerning the words which you have heard—because
your heart was tender, and you humbled yourself before God when
you heard His words against this place and against its inhabitants, and
you humbled yourself before Me, and you tore your clothes and wept
before Me, I also have heard you," says the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

Collect of the Day (unison): O God, send Your Holy Spirit to unite us
in submission to our Lord Jesus Christ. Give us grace to love Your
commands and to desire what You have promised to us. Show us
how we may better serve You together so that our witness might be
useful for Your purposes in our community and beyond. Thank You
for the joy available to us in our Savior's kingdom. We pray in the
Name of Jesus. Amen.

***Old Testament Lesson:** Judges 14:1-20 (pages 231-232)

***Gospel Lesson:** Matthew 5:21-31 (page 852)

Missions Moment

Children's Sermon

***Hymn of Preparation:** Psalm 84:1-7 (back of bulletin)

Sermon: "Follow Me"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (unison): Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be
Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy 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 evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory Response:** Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn of Response:** 432 "Softly and Tenderly"

***Benediction**

***Threefold Amen**

***Postlude**