

Christ Church

Prelude

Moments of Concern

Call to Worship: *Psalm 56:3-4* – Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You.

In God (I will praise His word), In God I have put my trust; I will not fear. What can flesh do to me?

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 29 (page 24)

Q. Are the bread and wine changed into the real body and blood of Christ?

A. No. Just as the water of baptism is not changed into Christ's blood and does not itself wash away sins but is simply God's sign and assurance, so too the bread of the Lord's supper is not changed into the actual body of Christ even though it is called the body of Christ in keeping with the nature and language of sacraments.

Q. Why then does Christ call the bread His body and the cup His blood, or the new covenant in His blood? (Paul uses the words, a participation in Christ's body and blood.)

A. Christ has good reason for these words. He wants to teach us that as bread and wine nourish our temporal life, so too His crucified body and poured-out blood truly nourish our souls for eternal life. But more important, He wants to assure us, by this visible sign and pledge, that we, through the Holy Spirit's work, share in His true body and blood as surely as our mouths receive these holy signs in His remembrance, and that all of His suffering and obedience are as definitely ours as if we personally had suffered and paid for our sins.

***Hymn of Adoration:** 322 *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

Call to Confession: *Acts 3:19* – "Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord."

Prayer of Confession: Lord, we confess to You that we are displeased with ourselves. We believe that Christ has saved us, but we have failed to live as those who truly partake of Him daily. Instead, we have lived as if we are really pretty good people without His help, free to try to find our heaven here on earth instead of waiting to share Christ's glory when He returns, and free to depend on ourselves instead of relying on the Holy Spirit to direct and govern our lives. Our prayers show our lack of concern for Your glorious kingdom. Pardon and cleanse us and set our hearts in order. We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Have Mercy:

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

Oh Lord, have mercy. Oh Lord, have mercy.

Oh, help my unbelief. Oh, help my unbelief.

Oh Lord, have mercy. Oh Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon: *John 1:9* – If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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): Lord of all power and might, graft into our hearts great humility that we would give up delusions of our own self-sufficiency and instead admit our smallness and take refuge in Christ. Give us faith to believe that in Christ we are safe. Have mercy on us in our weakness. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Old Testament Lesson:** *Deuteronomy 31:6* – Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

***Epistle Lesson:** *1 Corinthians 15:20-28* (page 1023)

***Gospel Lesson:** *Matthew 28:18-20*

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you;
and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

Missions Moment

Children’s Sermon

***Hymn of Preparation:** *Psalm 42* (back of bulletin)

Sermon: *Addressing Fear and Anxiety – Part 4*

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:** *“Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me”* (insert)

***Benediction**

***Threefold Amen**

***Postlude**