

Christ Church

Prelude

Moments of Concern

Call to Worship: *Psalm 80:19* – Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved!

The Nicene Creed (Hymnal #138)

***Hymn of Adoration:** 190 *“Angels from the Realms of Glory”*

Call to Confession: *Zechariah 1:3* – Therefore say to them, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Return to Me,” says the LORD of hosts, “and I will return to you,” says the LORD of hosts.

Prayer of Confession: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge and confess our many sins which we have committed against Your divine majesty, in thought, word and deed. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for our misdoings. The remembrance of them is grievous to us. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father, and for the sake of Your son, forgive us all our sins. Grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your Name. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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: *Micah 7:18-19* – Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in mercy. He will again have compassion on us and will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

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): Almighty and everlasting God, direct our affections and our actions according to Your good pleasure. Fill us with the Spirit of our Savior that we might live out the fullness of the salvation He has purchased for us. We pray in His Name, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

***Old Testament Lesson:** *Psalm 121*

¹ I will lift up my eyes to the hills— from whence comes my help?

² My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

³ He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ Behold, He who keeps Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul.

⁸ The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore.

***Epistle Lesson:** *1 John 4:1-21* (pages 1083-1084)

Children’s Sermon

***Hymn of Preparation:** *Psalm 24:1-10* (back of bulletin)

Sermon: *“New Beginnings, Yes and But”*

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:** 457 *“Take Time to Be Holy”*

***Benediction**

***Threefold Amen**

***Postlude**