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PSALM 139:1-12, 23-24

To the tune of "Come Thou Fount"

Lord, you searched me and you know me
When I sit and when I rise
You perceive my distant thoughts,
You see me leave and see me lie
Lord you know my ever way and
Every word my mouth will cry
You have you put your hand upon me,
Hemming me on every side

How can I behold this mystery,
Higher than I can attain
Where can I flee from Your Spirit?
Where can I hide from Your face?
If I go up to the heavens
If I descend to the dead
If I ride the sun to settle
Past the ocean, You are there

Even there Your hand will guide me
Your right hand will hold me fast
Though I say, "The darkness hides me
And the night will be my mask"
In Your eyes the night is light still
Darkness shines just like the day!
Search me, Lord, and know me fully
Lead me in Your holy way

HYMN #8—A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

GREETING

Welcome in the name of Christ! Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Loving God, we have come to worship you.

**Help us to pray to you in faith,
to sing your praise with gratitude,
And to listen to your word with eagerness;
through Christ our Lord; Amen.**

OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

God, the Father, forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice; and confess our sins to God our redeemer. ~Ephesians 4:30,32

... Silent confession

We have lived for other things;
Lord, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

We have not considered you our Father;
Christ, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy.

We have not put our hope in You;
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Brothers and sisters, know that your sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. The Father forgives us by the death of his Son; may He strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us declare our holy faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting, Amen.

catholic—the whole Christian body or church throughout the world, at all times and in all places

OLD TESTAMENT READING—ISAIAH 44:4-8

⁴ They shall spring up among the grass like willows by flowing streams. ⁵ This one will say, 'I am the Lord's,' another will call on the name of Jacob, and another will write on his hand, 'The Lord's,' and name himself by the name of Israel." ⁶ Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷ Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. ⁸ Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God; Alleluia!

NEW TESTAMENT READING—ROMANS 8:12-25

¹² So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God; Alleluia!

BURIAL SONG

Every night we practice death
Every dawn we practice Judgment Day
We believe to live is Christ
We believe that death is only gain

Our Redeemer lives!!

Our Redeemer lives!!

And He will reign upon the earth

And He will raise us back from dirt

And death will be no more!

Every feast we practice finally
Feasting at the Wedding of the Lamb
Every fast we practice joy
Trusting we are in our Father's hands

It won't be long, it won't be long now
He'll wipe our ashes, He'll give us gold crowns
It won't be long, it won't be long now
We belong to Christ

WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

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*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful One
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom

HOMILY

EUCHARIST

If you are a visitor among us here at Christ Community Church and you believe in our Lord Jesus Christ's death, burial, and resurrection from the dead for the forgiveness of your sins and you have been baptized, you are welcome to participate in The Eucharist, The Lord's Supper, with us. Unless otherwise instructed, join us at the kneeling bench at the altar. To receive the bread, hold out your hands and an elder or someone appointed to the task will hand you a piece of the bread. In the same manner, a cup will be given to you as well. We serve wine as well as grape juice in the cups. If you would like to have the grape juice, simply fold your arms across your chest in an 'X'. This helps the server know which to serve.

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Prayer...

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory;
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest!**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.**

Blessing of the bread and the cup...

SHOUT TO THE NORTH

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Men of faith, rise up and sing of the great and glorious King
You are strong when you feel weak, in your broken-ness complete

*Shout to the north and the south. Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth*

Rise up women of the truth stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing power of our glorious King of love?

We've been through fire, we've been through rain
We've been refined by the pow'r of His name
We've fallen deeper in love with you
You've burned the truth on our lips

Rise up church with broken wings; fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high. By His grace again we'll fly

DOXOLOGY

BENEDICTION