# The Lord's Service

# THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# OCTOBER 22, 2023



Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley POST TENEBRAS LUX PRELUDE

GREETING

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 8

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

# You have set your glory above the heavens.

You have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

# When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

# O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! Amen.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being: You have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness keep us from doing it; that in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.** 

HYMN OF PRAISE And Can It Be 455

# CONFESSION OF SINS

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. THE KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- THE PEACE
- 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.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly believe; that, believing, we may understand, and, understanding, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

	OLD TESTAMENT READING		GENESIS 22:1-14
	NEW TESTAMENT READING		PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11
٢	PSALTER SONG	Psalm 3	(page 4 of bulletin)
٢	GOSPEL READING		MATTHEW 6:25-32
1	RESPONSE		
	The grass withers and the flower fades But the word of our God stands forever.		

SERMON

"The Mind of Christ"

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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

- DOXOLOGY
- SURSUM CORDA

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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 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.

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HYMN OF DEPARTURE

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, bid your servant go in peace; your word is now fulfilled. These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold.

This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles' promised light, God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel.

#### QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"If a man can acquiesce in divisions, if he can even take pleasure in them, if he can be complacent in relation to the obvious faults and errors of others and therefore his own responsibility for them, then that man may be a good and loyal confessor in the sense of his own particular denomination, he may be a good Roman Catholic or Reformed or Orthodox or Baptist, but he must not imagine that he is a good Christian." ~ Karl Barth

#### **Psalter Song Psalm 3**

1 O LORD, how many are my foes! Against me many rise. They say of me, "He has no help, though he on God relies."

2 You are my shield and glory, LORD, the lifter of my head. I cried out "LORD! and from his hill his answer to me sped.

3 I lay down, slept, and woke again; the LORD sustains my life. Tho' thousands round me take their stand, I fear not in the strife.

4 Arise, O LORD, and save me, God! You punish all my foes. You smite the face of wicked men, and break their teeth with blows.

5 Deliv'rance to the LORD belongs, salvation his alone! Your blessing on your people, LORD, forevermore be shown!

# NOTES





CCHV is both a place and a people. We gather in this sacred space to worship, to learn, and to serve God as he meets us in Christ. To this end we dedicate our time, our talent, and our resources. Here the Gospel of Christ is freely proclaimed: *We are weaker and more sinful than we ever dared admit, but through Christ we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope.* As a community of Christians, we are building a bridge to the future through faith and friendship. To this end, we pray God will give us strength, vision, and wisdom. We are thankful that you could join with us today. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. We welcome you to Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley.

#### MINISTER

Mr. Justin Chiarot

#### SERVICE TIMES

Worship: 11:00AM Sunday School: 12:30PM

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#### COVER

The Celtic cross reminds us, as Presbyterians, of our historical roots in the British Isles dating back at least to the fifth century. Post Tenebras Lux is a Latin slogan from the 16thcentury Protestant Reformation meaning After Darkness, Light. The cross and the slogan combine to express our desire to be rooted in the ancient faith and to embrace the attainments of the Protestant Reformation.

