



CHRIST CHURCH
CONWAY

Prelude - It Is Finished

1. "It is finished!" Sinners hear it;
 'Tis the dying Victor's cry;
 "It is finished!" Angels bear it,
 Bear the joyful truth on high:
 "It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

2. Justice, from her awful station,
 Bars the sinner's peace no more;
 Justice views with approbation
 What the Savior did and bore;
 Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.

3. "It is finished!" All is over;
 Yes, the cup of wrath is drained;
 Such the truth these words discover;
 Thus the victory was obtained;
 'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.

4. Crown the mighty Conqueror, crown him,
 Who his people's foes o'ercame!
 In the highest heaven enthrone him!
 Men and angels sound his fame!
 Great his glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.

Praise

Call to Worship - Psalm 2.10-12

[10] Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. [11] Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. [12] Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise - A Mighty Fortress is Our God

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1. A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great;
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth His name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

3. And tho' this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph thru us.

The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly pow'rs,
 No thanks to them, abideth;
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours
 Thru Him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go,
 This mortal life also;
 The body they may kill:
 God's truth abideth still;
 His kingdom is forever.

Affirmation of Faith - Heidelberg Catechism #1

Minister: What is thy only comfort in life and death?

***Congregation:* That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins,**

and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head;

yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.

Hymn of Praise - Father, Long Before Creation

1. Father, long before creation
 you have chosen us in love,
 and that love so deep, so moving,
 draws us close to Christ above.
 Still it keeps us, still it keeps us
 firmly fixed in Christ alone.

2. Though the world may change its fashion,
yet our God is e'er the same;
his compassion and his covenant
through all ages will remain.
God's own children, God's own children
must forever praise His name.

3. God's compassion is my story,
is my boasting all the day;
mercy free and never failing
moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us
that his only Son he gave.

4. Loving Father now before you
we will ever praise your love,
and our songs will sound unceasing
'til we reach our home above,
giving glory, giving glory
to our God and to the Lamb;
giving glory, giving glory
to our God and to the Lamb.

Confession

Scriptural Warning - Psalm 2:1-9

[1] Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? [2] The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying, [3] “Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us.” [4] He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. [5] Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, [6] “As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.” [7] I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you. [8] Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. [9] You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Way of Salvation - Psalm 2:10-12

[10] Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. [11] Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. [12] Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Confession of Sin -

Congregation: Almighty and most merciful Father, with the nations and peoples and kings of the earth

**we have raged against you;
we have plotted our steps in vain;
we have set ourselves against you and against your Anointed,
your Son, Jesus Christ.**

**Rather than bowing before you, we have thought that we could
break free from your sovereign rule.**

**Yet Father, you have remembered us according to your steadfast
love and disciplined us that we may see the foolishness of our
ways.**

**Teach us by your Spirit to repent and turn again to Christ our
King in whom we have victory over sin and death. Amen.**

Hymn of Confession - As a Beggar

1. As a beggar, I come to Thee.
As a beggar, I come to Thee.
With empty hands, without one plea,
As a beggar, I come to Thee.

2. At Thy table I find a feast.
At Thy table I find a feast.
Here come the poor, the lame, the least,
At Thy table I find a feast.

3. Precious Savior, how can it be?
Precious Savior, how can it be?
Thine own dear blood was shed for me!
Precious Savior, how can it be?

4. All my days, Lord, Thy will be done.
 All my days, Lord, Thy will be done.
 Long I to see Thy kingdom come,
 All my days, Lord, Thy will be done.

5. Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come.
 Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come.
 With lifted hearts, our prayer is sung,
 Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come.

Assurance of Pardon - Hebrews 2.14-15

[14] Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, [15] and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Exhortation to Holiness - Hebrews 4:14-16

[14] Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. [15] For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. [16] Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hymn of Response - Christ The True and Better

1. Christ the true and better Adam
 Son of God and Son of man
 Who, when tempted in the garden
 Never yielded, never sinned
 He who makes the many righteous
 Brings us back to life again
 Dying, He reversed the curse, then
 Rising, crushed the serpent's head

2. Christ the true and better Isaac
 Humble son of sacrifice
 Who would climb the fearful mountain
 There to offer up his life
 Laid with faith upon the altar
 Father's joy and only son
 There salvation was provided
 Oh, what full and boundless love

*(Chorus) A - a - men, a - men
 From beginning to end
 Christ the story, His the glory
 Al - lelu - ia, a - men*

3. Christ the true and better Moses
 Called to lead a people home
 Standing bold to earthly powers
 God's great glory to be known
 With his arms stretched wide to heaven
 See the waters part in two
 See the veil is torn forever
 Cleansed with blood, we pass now through
(Chorus)

4. Christ the true and better David
 Lowly shepherd, mighty King
 He the champion in the battle
 Where, o death, is now thy sting?
 In our place He bled and conquered
 Crown Him Lord of majesty
 His shall be the throne forever
 We shall e'er His people be

(Chorus, 2X)

Means of Grace

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading - Ezekiel 34.11-16

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in 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, the power, and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon - Luke 18:35-19:27

Requesting, Receiving, and Rejecting Jesus

Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn - The Table

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1. I will feast at the table of the Lord
 I will feast at the table of the Lord
 I won't hunger anymore
 At His table [x2]

*(Chorus) Come all you weary; come and find
 His yoke is easy; His burden light
 He is able; He will restore
 At the table of the Lord*

2. There is peace at the table of the Lord
 There is peace at the table of the Lord
 I won't worry anymore
 At His table

3. There is healing at the table of the Lord
 There is healing at the table of the Lord
 I won't suffer anymore
 At His table
(Chorus)

I know He has a place for me
 Oh, what joy will fill my heart
 With the saints around the mercy seat of God

(Chorus)

I'm invited to the table of the Lord
 I'm invited to the table of the Lord
 He says, "Come just as you are"
 To His table

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.

Response

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Thanksgiving - On Jordan's Stormy Banks

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1. On Jordan's stormy banks I stand
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land
Where my possessions lie

2. All o'er those wide extended plains
Shines one eternal day
There God the Son forever reigns
And scatters night away

*(Chorus) I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound I am bound
I am bound for the promised land*

3. No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore
Sickness sorrow pain and death
Are felt and feared no more

4. When shall I see that happy place
And be forever blessed
When shall I see my Father's face
And in His bosom rest
(Chorus)

Benediction - 1 Thessalonians 5.23-24

[23] Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. [24] He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.
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