

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

May 5, 2019

*that in everything he might be preeminent.*

Colossians 1:18

# WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

We are glad you are here to worship the living God! This worship folder is intended to walk you through the service, as well as provide you with devotional material to take home.

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

### Announcements and Greeting

### Scripture Meditation—Psalm 126:6

He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

### Introit

### Call to Worship—Psalm 30:1-5

Leader: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

**ALL: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.**

Leader: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

**ALL: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks  
to his holy name.**

Leader: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

**ALL: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

### Congregational Hymn— #455 And Can It Be?

And can it be that I should gain an in - t'rest  
He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove, so free, so  
Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in  
No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and  
in the Sav - vior's blood? Died he for me who  
in - fi - nite his grace; hum - bled him - self (so  
sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a  
all in him is mine! A - live in him, my

caused his pain? For me, — who him — to death pur -  
 great his love!), and bled — for all — his cho - sen  
 quick - 'ning ray, I woke, — the dun - geon flamed with  
 liv - ing Head, and clothed in right - eous - ness di -

sued? A - maz - ing love! How can — it — be — that  
 race; 'tis mer - cy all, im - mense and — free; — for,  
 light; my chains fell off, my — heart was — free; — I  
 vine, bold I ap - proach th'e - ter - nal throne, and

thou, — my God — shouldst — die — for me?  
 O — my God, — it found — out me.  
 rose, — went forth — and fol - lowed thee.  
 claim — the crown, — through Christ — my own.

*Refrain*

A-maz-ing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me.  
 A-maz-ing love! How can it be that thou, my God,

Text: Charles Wesley, 1738; Music: SAGINA, Thomas Campbell, 1825

## Prayer of Adoration

### New Testament Reading—Hebrews 5:7–10

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

## Congregational Song—Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery



Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, in the dawn - ing of the King.  
Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, he, the per - fect Son of Man  
Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ, the Lord up - on the tree.  
Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death, the God of life.



He, the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.  
In his liv - ing, in his suf - f'ring, nev - er trace nor stain of sin.  
In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners, hangs the Lamb in vic - tor - y.  
But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, praise the Lord. He is a - live.



In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has come.  
See the true and bet - ter A - dam, come to save the hell-bound man.  
See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold.  
What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un-wav - er - ing our hope.  
*Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death, the God of life.*



Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.  
Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law in Him we stand.  
Bring - ing ma - ny sons to Glo - ry, grace un - mea - sured, love un - told.  
Christ, in pow - er, re - sur - rect - ed, as will we be when He comes.  
*But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, praise the Lord. He is a - live.*

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## Sacrament of Baptism

### Communicant Baptism

Anselm Dean  
Jane Hutton  
Nathan Kelly  
Lilly Smith

### Covenant Baptism

Elijah Paxton Smith  
Maggie Grace Smith  
Brice Lee Smith  
Wilson Rea Smith  
Jesse Lee Smith  
Annie Joy Smith

(Sons and Daughters of Jason and Allison Smith)

## Communicant Recognition

### Pastoral Prayer

### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*(Parents, you may escort your pre-school aged children to Children's Bible Time (B-102) after the collection bag has passed your pew. Thank you.)*

### Offertory—Then Sings My Soul

*O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy Hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.*

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!*

*And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin.*

*When Christ shall come, with shouts of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!*

*Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!*

### Prayer of Illumination

### Preaching of the Word—John 11:28–44 (p. 897–898)

#### THE WEEPING MAN WHO WORKS WONDERS

Dr. Kevin DeYoung  
*(Space for sermon notes is on page 8.)*

# Gloria Patri

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation, Fencing of the Table, and the Words of Institution  
*(Members, visitors and parents, please see p.11 for a note about Communion at Christ Covenant Church, as well as suggested prayers)*

The Bread

The Cup—We Will Feast in the House of Zion

*Chorus*



We will feast in the house of Zi - on We will sing with our hearts re-stored.



He has done great things, we will say to - geth-er We will feast and weep no more



We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord our  
In the dark of night, be-fore the dawn, My soul, be not a -  
Eve-ry vow we've bro - ken and be-trayed You are the Faith - ful



God. We are not con - sumed, by the flood  
fraid, for the prom - ised morn - ing, oh how long?  
one And from the gar - den to the grave



Up - held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up.  
Oh God of Ja - cob, be my strength  
Bind us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.

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## Special Offering

This month's special offering is designated for seminary scholarships to assist students with their educational expenses at Reformed Theological Seminary.

(For more information, see the Courier.)

## Congregational Song—Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed

1. How can it be, the one who died has born our sin through  
2. For joy a-wakes as dawn-ing light, when Christ's dis-ci-ples  
3. Where doubt and dark-ness once had been, they saw him and their  
4. Once bound by fear no bold in faith, they preach the truth and  
5. The pow'r that raised Him from the grave now works in us to

sac-ri-fice, to con-quer ev'-ry string of death?  
lift their eyes, a-live he stands, their freind and King!  
hearts be-lieved, that blessed are those who have not see,  
pow'r of grace. In pour-ing out their lives they gave  
pow'r-fully save. He frees our hearts to live his grace.

Sing, sing hal-le-lu-jah! [Chorus after vs. 2,4 & 5]  
Christ, Christ, He is ri-sen. Christ is ri-sen, he is ri-sen in-deed!  
yet sing "Hal-le-lu-jah!"  
life, life ev-er last-ing.  
Go, tell of His good-ness!

Oh, sing hal-le-lu-jah. Join the chor-us, sing with the re-deemed

"Christ is ri-sen He is ri-sen in deed." (He's a-live.) **He's a-live!** (He's a-live.)

**He's a-live!** Heav-en's gates are op-en wide! (He's a-live.)

**He's a-live!** (He's a-live.) **He's a-live!** Now in heav-en glor-ri-fied.

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## Benediction

## Postlude

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Kevin DeYoung; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Bernie Lawrence;

Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash;

Pianist: Pamela Mullins; Instrumental Director: Scott Van Patter; Christ Covenant Choir

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# SERMON NOTES

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

### Announcements and Greeting

#### Call to Worship— Psalm 25:4–10

Leader: Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

**ALL: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.**

Leader: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

**ALL: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!**

Leader: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

**ALL: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

### Prayer of Invocation

#### Congregational Hymn— #433 O God of Mercy, God of Might

#### New Testament Reading—Luke 8:4–8

And when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable, "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

### Pastoral Prayer

#### Congregational Hymn— #486 God, Be Merciful to Me

### Tithes and Offerings

#### Congregational Hymn— #270 Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing!

#### Preaching of the Word—Exodus 35–36 (p. 75-77)

LESSONS LEARNED—Dr. Kevin DeYoung

#### Congregational Hymn— #457 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

### Benediction and Postlude

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## REGARDING COMMUNION AT CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

In the Presbyterian Church, children who are baptized are non-communing members of the Church. As such, they are entitled to all the rights and privileges of pastoral care but not the Lord's Supper. When they reach the age of adolescence, they complete a communicants' class (confirmation class), are interviewed by the Elders, and then make a public profession of their faith. Only children who have been approved by the Session to take the Lord's Supper may do so. The Session would request that parents honor this practice and explain to their younger children the rationale for this practice. Our practice is rooted in 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 and the apostolic instruction about worthy receiving of the Lord's Supper. Those parents who have questions may want to consult with a pastor.

## COMMUNION PRAYERS

Christ Covenant Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are actively trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, members in good standing in an evangelical church, and who are in proper relationship to other believers to take the Lord's Supper with us this day. If you are not able to receive Communion today, then we ask you to continue in a spirit of worship and to meditate on one of the following prayers.

## PRAYER OF OBEDIENCE

Lord Jesus Christ, as a Christian who is trusting in you alone for eternal life, I pray for strength to obey your great commission (Matthew 28:19-20). I purpose to be baptized, to join a Bible-preaching and Christ-honoring church, and to be active in worship and service in that church. Help me to reconcile with those whom I have wounded or those who have sinned against me. Amen.

## PRAYER FOR TRUTH

Lord God, our Father in heaven, lead me to your eternal and abiding truth found in Christ and his Word. Open my eyes to see those things of the Kingdom of God, spoken about in the sermon today. Give me understanding that leads to a life of faith and grace and a humble, honest and holy pursuit of Christ, for Christ's sake. Amen.

## PRAYER OF FAITH

Lord Jesus Christ, I confess to you that I am a sinner in need of your mercy and grace – much more sinful than I ever imagined before. But I also believe in your love and grace, and I accept the truth that you have loved me from eternity – more than I can ever imagine now. Thank you for paying the penalty of my sins on your cross and for paying that debt in full. I now turn from my sinful lifestyle in repentance. I trust in you for eternal life and no longer in my own good works, and I surrender my life to you. I receive you as my Lord and my Savior – your life given for me, my life now given to you. I ask for the gift of the indwelling Holy Spirit and for an assurance of salvation in your grace. Amen.

The body of Christ Covenant meets in communities where people of all ages are welcomed and encouraged to engage through four distinct entry points: Sunday Worship, Congregational Communities, Covenant Groups, and Small Groups.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Worship Services at 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

## CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNITIES

### **Senior Adults Community**

Community of senior adults ages 70+  
Pastor Bruce Creswell

### **Young Seniors Community**

Community of couples & individuals ages 60-70  
Pastor Bernie Lawrence

### **Sojourners Community**

Community of adults ages 45-59 who have  
college age/young adult children  
Pastor Mike Miller

### **Student Families Community**

Community of adults with  
middle & high school age children  
Pastor Brian Peterson

### **Young Families Community**

Community of newly married & young  
families with children up to age 12  
Pastor Derek Wells

### **Young Professionals Community**

Community of singles & young married couples  
Pastor Dave Baxter

### **18/22 Generation / College Community**

Community of college age adults  
Campus Outreach Director Zach Fulginiti

### **Youth (Middle/High School) Community**

Youth Ministries Pastor Stewart Neely  
Middle School Director David Chambers

## COVENANT GROUPS

Multi-generational & mixed-gender groups of 10-30 people.  
Please contact Pastor Brian Peterson.

## SMALL GROUPS

Gender-specific groups of 4-10 people. Please contact Teresa Caldwell  
for women's groups and Pastor Brian Peterson for men's groups.