

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

September 6, 2020

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 a.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Isaiah 63:7

I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

Introit

Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 27:1, 4, 14, 13

Leader: Come and worship the Lord of all creation, for he is your light and your salvation.

ALL: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days
of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD
and to inquire in his temple.

Leader: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the LORD!

ALL: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living!

Congregational Hymn—Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! let the A - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680, based on Psalm 103; Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665

Prayer of Adoration

Old Testament Scripture Reading— Psalm 19:1-14

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are

true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Prayer of Confession of Sin and Thanksgiving for Assurance of Grace

Congregational Hymn—For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,
 for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
 hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
 grac - es hu - man and di - vine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,
 Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Text: Folliett Pierpoint, 1864; Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1838

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Creation Sings the Father's Song

Creation sings the Father's song.

He calls the sun to wake the dawn and run the course of day
'Till evening falls in crimson rays.

His fingerprints on flakes of snow, his breath upon this spinning globe;
He charts the eagle's flight, commands the newborn baby's cry.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing
Hallelujah! Fill the earth with songs of worship,
Tell the wonders of Creation's King.

Creation gazed upon his face, the ageless One in time's embrace,
Unveiled the Father's plan of reconciling God and man.
A second Adam walked the earth whose blameless life would break the curse,
Whose death would set us free to live with him eternally. [Refrain.]

Creation longs for his return, when Christ shall reign upon the earth;
The bitter wars that rage are birth pains of a coming age.
When he renews the land and sky, all heav'n will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme: The glory of our God and King. [Refrain.]

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Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Genesis 1:3—2:3 (Part 1)

AND BEHOLD, IT WAS VERY GOOD

Kevin DeYoung

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation, Fencing of the Table, and the Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Congregational Song—We Will Feast in the House of Zion

[Refrain.] 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. [Refrain.]

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.
[Refrain.]

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, you are the faithful one,
And from the garden to the grave, bind us together bring shalom. [Refrain.]

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Congregational Song—There Is No Greater Portrait

There is no greater portrait of love and sacrifice
Than Jesus leaving glory and laying down his life.
When I look on the sufferings my Savior chose to bear,
It fills my heart with sorrow to think I put him there.

He ran the race before him though it was filled with pain,
And walked the road to glory in agony and shame.
Then for the joy before him, he chose to bear the cross,
Pursued his Father's pleasure and counted all else loss.

The Son of Man was lifted before creation's eyes;
Was mocked and scorned by soldiers, by kings and priests despised.
But now the Son is risen, ascended to the skies.
By angels he is worshipped; by nations glorified.

O Savior, let this sinner be ransomed by the flood
Of mercy and forgiveness abundant in your blood.
O Lord, be my salvation, your Holy Spirit send
To change my heart and cause me to love you to the end.

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Closing Prayer

Congregational Hymn—All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Benediction

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Kevin DeYoung; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Derek Wells;
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins;
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SERMON NOTES

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 29:1–4

ALL: Ascribe to the **LORD**, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the **LORD** glory and strength. Ascribe to the **LORD** the glory due his name; worship the **LORD** in the splendor of holiness.

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Hymn—To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. [Refrain]

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

Text: Fanny Crosby, 1875; Music: TO GOD BE THE GLORY, William H. Doane, 1875

Prayer of Adoration

New Testament Scripture Reading—Philippians 4:4–9

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—O Lord Our Lord (Psalm 8)



O Lord, our Lord, how ma-jes - tic is your name in all the earth!
O, when I gaze at the heavn's and all the works your hands have made,
Though you have made him low - er than the an - gels for a time.
You set his feet up - on the earth to be a car - ing shield



For you have set your glor - ious name a - bove the high-est heav'ns.
the moon and stars in the heavn's a - bove, which you have set in place,
You crown'd him in your maj - es - ty, in glo - ry and in light.
for flocks of sheep and herd - ing beasts and cat - tle in the fields,



Out of mouths of babes and in - fants, you es - tab - lished strength!
what is man that you are mind - ful, and re - mem - ber him,
You gave him do - min - ion o - ver all you did cre - ate;
birds of heav - en, teem - ing wa - ters; all your won - drous works.



All your en - e - mies will then be si - lent at your praise.
and the son of man that you will gen - tly care for him?
o - ver all the won - drous works and all your hands have made.
Lord, our Lord, how ma - jes - tic is your name in all the earth!

Text: Psalm 8; Music: Nathan Clark George

Preaching of the Word—2 Peter 1:3–4

THE POWER FOR GODLINESS—Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—Thine Is the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son:
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain: Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. [Refrain]

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu'rors, thro' thy deathless love:
Bring us safe thro' Jordan to thy home above. [Refrain]

Text: Edmond Budry, 1884; Music: MACCABAEUS, George Frederick Handel, 1747

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SERMON NOTES

In humble reliance upon the word of God and prayer, Christ Covenant Church
is committed to worshipping God, making disciples, loving one another,
and serving the body of Christ.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Worship Services at 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School Classes for all ages begin at 9:00 a.m.

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