



# CHRIST COVENANT — CHURCH —

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

October 4, 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—Revelation 7:13–14

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

### Introit

### Call to Worship— Psalm 100:1–5 (ESV)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD  
with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

**ALL: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us,  
and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep  
of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**ALL: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

### Prayer of Invocation

## **Congregational Hymn—Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1843; Music: MADRID, Traditional Spanish melody

## **Prayer of Adoration**

### **Congregational Hymn—And Can It Be that I Should Gain**

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died he for me who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God shouldst die for me?

Refrain: Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me.

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine!  
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more. [Refrain.]

He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace;  
humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race;  
'tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me. [Refrain.]

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
my chains fell off, my heart was free;  
I rose, went forth and followed thee. [Refrain.]

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him is mine!  
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.  
[Refrain.]

Text: Charles Wesley, 1739; Music: SAGINA, Thomas Campbell, 1825

### **Corporate Confession of Sin—**

**Edited from Martin Bucer's *Psalter with All Church Practices* (1539)**

**Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we acknowledge and confess that we indeed were conceived and born in sin and, therefore, inclined to all evil and slow to all good; that we unceasingly transgress your holy commandments, and corrupt ourselves. But we are sorry for this and desire your grace and help. Therefore, have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father, through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us your Holy Spirit, so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness from the depth of our heart, feel true contrition and grief for them, die to them completely, and please you wholly in a new, godly life. Amen.**

### **New Testament Reading—Romans 5:6–11**

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

### **Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Congregational Hymn—Blessed Assurance**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
[Refrain.]

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.  
[Refrain.]

Text: Fannie Crosby, 1873; Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe Knapp, 1873

## **Prayer of Illumination**

### **Preaching of the Word—Genesis 3:8–24**

SIREN OF JUDGMENT, WHISPERS OF GRACE

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—The Power of the Cross**

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary;  
tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

Refrain: This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;  
Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning your bloodstained brow. [Refrain.]

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath  
quakes as its maker bows his head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry. [Refrain.]

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, for through your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, won through your selfless love.

Refrain: This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Text and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend ©2005 Thankyou Music

## **Closing Prayer**

## **Benediction**

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Kevin DeYoung; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Mike Miller;  
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins;  
Instrumental Director: Scott VanPatter

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## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

### Announcements and Greeting

#### Call to Worship— Psalm 145:1–3, 17-18

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever  
and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever  
and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.

**ALL: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.  
The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call  
on him in truth.**

### Prayer of Invocation

#### Congregational Hymn—Join All the Glorious Names

Join all the glorious names of wisdom, love, and pow'r,  
that ever mortals knew, that angels ever bore:  
all are too poor to speak his worth, too poor to set my Savior forth.

Great Prophet of my God, my tongue would bless thy name:  
by thee the joyful news of our salvation came,  
the joyful news of sins forgiv'n, of hell subdued and peace with heav'n.

Jesus, my great High Priest, offered his blood and died;  
my guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside:  
his pow'rful blood did once atone and now it pleads before the throne.

'Thou art my Counselor, my pattern, and my Guide,  
and thou my Shepherd art; O keep me near thy side;  
nor let my feet e'er turn astray to wander in the crooked way.

My Savior and my Lord, my Conqu'ror and my King,  
thy scepter and thy sword, thy reigning grace, I sing:  
thine is the pow'r; behold I sit in willing bonds beneath thy feet.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1707; Music: DARWALL, John Darwall, 1770

#### Old Testament Scripture Reading—Leviticus 16:1–5, 15–16

#### New Testament Reading—Hebrews 9:1–12

#### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

#### Pastoral Prayer

## **Congregational Hymn—Not All the Blood of Beasts**

Not all the blood of beasts on Jewish altars slain,  
could give the guilty conscience peace, or wash away the stain.

But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb, takes all our sins away,  
a sacrifice of nobler name and richer blood than they.

My faith would lay her hand on that dear head of thine,  
while like a penitent I stand, and there confess my sin.

My soul looks back to see the burdens thou didst bear,  
when hanging on the cursed tree, and knows her guilt was there.

Believing, we rejoice to see the curse remove;  
we bless the Lamb with cheerful voice, and sing his bleeding love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1709; Music: FESTAL SONG, William Walter, 1894

## **Preaching of the Word—Hebrews 10:19–25**

FUEL FOR OUR FAITH—Tom Groelsema

## **Congregational Hymn—Before the Throne of God Above**

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,  
a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart.  
I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God, the just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by his blood!  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,  
with Christ, my Savior and my God.

Text: Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music: Vikki Cook

## **Benediction**

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Rev. Tom Groelsema; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Derek Wells;  
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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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