

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP THE LORD'S DAY

June 18, 2023

WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

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

IN PREPARATION

Over and over again, the Lord calls his people to remember, to recount, and to rehearse. In a sense, this is what we do every week. After recalling God's promises and repenting of sin we renew our commitment to follow after Christ and to obey his word with grateful hearts. How can we not be filled with thankfulness after hearing again that Christ both bore and removed the curse that was ours?

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

Introit

ALL:

Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 77:6–15

Leader: Cry aloud to God and he will hear! Remember your song in the night; meditate in your heart. Will the Lord spurn forever, and never again be favorable?

Has his steadfast love forever ceased? Are his promises at an end for all time? Has God forgotten to be gracious?

Has he in anger shut up his compassion?

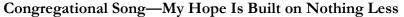
Remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, remember his wonders of old. Ponder all his work, and meditate on his mighty deeds.

Leader: What god is great like our God? His way is holy!

Return unto him!

ALL: Praise the God of wonders who has redeemed his people, the children of Jacob and Joseph!

Prayer of Invocation





Text: Edward Mote, 1834; Music: SOLID ROCK, William Bradbury, 1863

Prayer of Adoration

Congregational Psalm—Psalm 9: Hope of the Poor



Text: 1912 Psalter, Alt. Nathan C George; Music: Nathan C George, 2013

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Deuteronomy 28:1–2, 15

And if you faithfully obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.

But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Corporate Confession of Sin—Hosea 14:1–2

ALL: Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

Take with you words and return to the LORD; say to him, "Take away all iniquity."

Assurance of Grace—Hosea 14:4–7

I will heal their apostasy; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them. I will be like the dew to Israel; he shall blossom like the lily; he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon; his shoots shall spread out; his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon. They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow; they shall flourish like the grain; they shall blossom like the vine; their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory—Amazing Grace

Parents, you may escort your pre-school aged children to Children's Bible Time (B-102)

Sacrament of Baptism

Covenant Baptism

Calvin James Cardenas Son of Jorge and Beth Cardenas

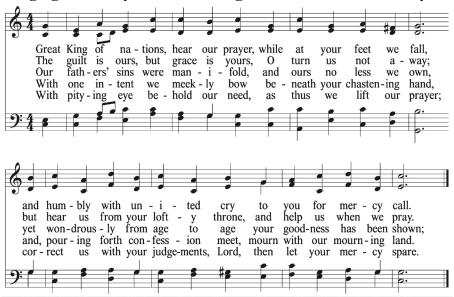
James Douglas Jensen Son of Andrew and Danelle Jensen

Ashlyn Eugenia Simons Daughter of TJ and Amy Simons

George Banks Turpin Son of Jason and Coni Turpin

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Hymn—Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer



Text: Robert Lowery, 1876; Music: PLAINFIELD, Robert Lowery, 1876

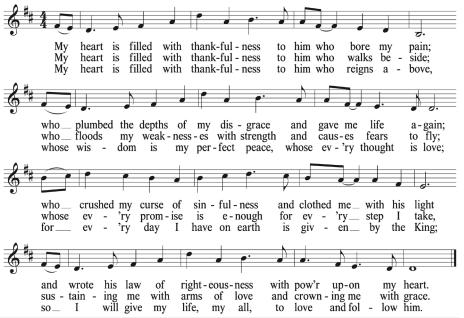
Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Leviticus 26

FORGETTING AND REMEMBERING

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Song—My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness



Text and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend ©2003 Thankyou Music

Benediction

If you have a prayer need or need to speak with an elder, they will be available at the front of the Worship Center following the morning service.

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Kevin DeYoung; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Tom Groelsema;
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George;

Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins; Instrumental Director: Joseph Foucachon © All music UBP CCLI # 260344. All Scripture quotes from ESV. Used by permission.

SERMON NOTES

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Shepherdess Commissioning

Call to Worship—Based on Isaiah 61:10-11

Leader: I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult

in my God,

ALL: For he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

Leader: For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden

causes what is sown in it to sprout up,

ALL: So the Lord GOD will cause righteousness

and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Hymn—#172 Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Congregational Hymn—#441 Jesus Shall Reign

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Exodus 20:1–7

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me. "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain."

New Testament Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians 15:3–11

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he

appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Confession of Sin—Westminster Shorter Catechism #47

Leader: What is forbidden in the first commandment?

ALL: The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, or not worshipping and glorifying the true God as God, and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to him alone.

Assurance of Grace—Hebrews 10:19-22

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Parents, you may escort your pre-school aged children to (B-106)

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Christ the True and Better

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.

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.

[Refrain] Amen, amen, from beginning to end Christ the story, his the glory, alleluia, amen.

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. [Refrain]

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. [Refrain]

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Preaching of the Word—Revelation 2:1–7

TOO BUSY FOR YOUR FIRST LOVE

Eric Russ

Congregational Hymn—#644 May the Mind of Christ My Savior Benediction

In humble reliance upon the word of God and prayer, Christ Covenant Church is committed to worshiping 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.

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NEW TO CHRIST COVENANT?

We hope you will visit the Guest Center in the main lobby so we can meet you!

Interested in knowing more about Christ Covenant Church? Please contact Michelle Gustavson,
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