



A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

August 20, 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

There are various ways to talk about assurance of faith. Our readings, songs, and prayers will walk us through several of those. Why should we gain eternal life? Why do we have hope? Why should we have confidence before God? Do our lives point to Jesus? Do we rest assured that we will inherit the promises of God? Do we strive to make our calling and election sure?

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Hebrews 10:19–22a

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.

Introit

Call to Worship—Psalm 24:3–4, 7–8

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?

**ALL: He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up,
O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**ALL: Who is this King of glory? The LORD,
strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

Congregational Hymn—#455 And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Prayer of Adoration

Congregational Song—Christ Our Hope in Life and Death



What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-lone.
 What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is good.
 Un - to the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives! Christ, he lives!"



What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to him be - long.
 Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem - er's blood.
 And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with him.



Who holds our days with - in his hand? What comes a - part from his com-mand?
 Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y trial?
 There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be de - stroyed,



And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
 Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un - to the shore, the rock of Christ?
 And we will feast in end-less joy, When Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.



O sing hal - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O__ sing hal - le -



lu - jah! Now and ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

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Old Testament Scripture Reading—Isaiah 45:15–17

Truly, you are a God who hides himself, O God of Israel, the Savior. All of them are put to shame and confounded; the makers of idols go in confusion together. But Israel is saved by the LORD with everlasting salvation; you shall not be put to shame or confounded to all eternity.

New Testament Scripture Reading—Colossians 2:1–3

For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace—Hebrews 6:9–12

Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation. For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Congregational Hymn—#308 Jesus Paid It All

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (arr. Mason/Berry)

Sacrament of Baptism

Covenant Baptism

Vesper Eden Paules

Valen Seraph Paules

Daughters of Brian and Chancy Paules

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Hymn—#468 My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

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

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—1 John 5:13–21

HOW DO I KNOW THAT I'M A CHRISTIAN?

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—#693 Blessed Assurance

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 Pastoral Intern: Nathan McNeely;
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins;
Assistant Director of Music: Joseph Foucachon, Special Music: Byrd Family
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SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship— Psalm 65:1, 2, 4

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you
shall vows be performed.

All: O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come.

Leader: Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell
in your courts!

**All: We shall be satisfied with the goodness
of your house, the holiness of your temple.**

Congregational Hymn #713—Great King of Nations

Prayer for Schools, Administrators, Teachers, and Staff

Congregational Hymn #131—Children of The Heavenly Father

Prayer for Our Covenant Children

Congregational Psalm 80, #349—O Thou, Who the Shepherd of Israel Art

Small Group Prayer for Christ Covenant Discipleship Ministries

Congregational Hymn #598—Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Prayer for Spiritual Growth and Strength—Ephesians 3:14–21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Congregational Hymn—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way



Teach me, O Lord, thy ho - ly way, and give me
 Guide me, O Sa - vior, with thy hand, and so con -
 Help, me, O Sa - vior, here to trace the sa - cred
 Guard me, O Lord, that I may ne'er for - sake the
 Bless me in ev - ery task, O Lord, be - gun, con -
 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise him all

an o - be - dient mind; that in thy ser - vice
 trol my thoughts and deeds, that I may tread the
 foot - steps thou hast trod; and, meek - ly walk - ing
 right, or do the wrong; a - gainst temp - ta - tion
 tin - ued, done for thee; ful - fill thy per - fect
 crea - tures here be - low. Praise him a - bove ye

I may find my soul's de - light from day to day.
 path which leads right on - ward to the bless - ed land.
 with my God, to grow in good - ness, truth and grace.
 make me strong, and round me spread thy shel - tering care.
 work in me; and thine a - bound - ing grace af - ford.
 heav'n - ly hosts. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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Benediction

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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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Interested in a small group? Please contact Caleb Johnson,
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