



A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

August 27, 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

We have probably all experienced speaking to someone and noticing that they are not really listening. Perhaps they are formulating a response or simply spacing out. We have probably done it to others ourselves. Today we have the opportunity to ask if we do that with the word read, sung, prayed, and preached. Will we meditate on our own thoughts or think God's thoughts after him? Will we truly hear and keep what we hear?

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Romans 13:11

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.

Introit

Call to Worship—Psalm 34:1–3

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise
shall continually be in my mouth.

**ALL: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt
his name together!

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Hymn—All Praise to God Who Reigns Above

The image displays a musical score for a congregational hymn. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/8 time. The score is arranged in four systems, each with a vocal melody line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The hymn consists of four verses. The first verse is the most complete, while the others are partial. The music is simple and suitable for congregational singing.

All praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
What God's al - migh - ty pow'r hath made his gra - cious mer - cy -
The Lord for - sak - eth not his flock, his cho - sen gen - er -
Ye who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, to God give praise and

a keep - tion, the God of won - ders pow'r and love, the God of
keep - eth; by morn - ing dawn or eve - ning shade his watch - ful
a - tion; he is their ref - uge and their rock, their peace and
glo - ry! Ye who the Fa - ther's pow'r pro - claim, to God give

our sal - va tion. With heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the
eye ne'er sleep - eth; with - in the king - dom of his might, lo,
their sal - va - tion. As with a mo - ther's ten - der hand he
praise and glo - ry! All i - dols un - der - foot be trod, the

God who ev - ery sor - row stills: To God all praise and glo - ry.
all is just and all is right. To God all praise and glo - ry!
leads his own, his cho - sen band. To God all praise and glo - ry!
Lord is God! The Lord is God! To God all praise and glo - ry!

Text: Johann Schutz, 1675; Music: MIT FREUDAN ZART, Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesange*, 1566

Prayer of Adoration

Congregational Song—All Hail the King of Heaven



All hail the King of Heav - en, Christ the Lord of all,
 All hail the Great Re - deem - er, who so hum - bly came
 Let praise of na - tions rise now as a sym - pho - ny
 Whom thun - d'ring an - gels cir - cle 'round a - blaze with awe;
 The lamb of our sal - va - tion, O for sin - ners slain
 To sound the end - less won - ders of his ma - jes - ty
 Let now the Hal - le - lu - jah, of earth in glad re - frain,
 Let now the loud Ho - san - na re - sound from shore to shore
 Let ev - 'ry heart a - dore him, the great and small the same
 As - cend the throne, To him be - longs im - mor - tal praise.
 You na - tions say, "His king - dom reigns, for - ev - er - more!"
 Through gen - er - a - tions ev - er let his an - them ring!
 All hail the king of heav - en, Cre - a - tion join to - geth - er,
 Let end - less prais - es crown his name All hail the king of heav - en.

Text and Music: Matt Boswell and Matt Papa ©2021 Getty Music

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Malachi 3:16–18

Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Confession of Faith—Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 52

Leader: What comfort is it to you that Christ will come to judge the living and the dead?

ALL: In all my sorrow and persecution I lift up my head and eagerly await as judge from heaven the very same person who before has submitted Himself to the judgment of God for my sake, and has removed all the curse from me. He will cast all His and my enemies into everlasting condemnation, but He will take me and all His chosen ones to Himself into heavenly joy and glory.

Prayer of Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace—Micah 7:19–20

“He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.”

Congregational Psalm—Blessed Are All They (Psalm 1)



Bless - ed are all they_ that shun sin's vain_ and wick - ed ways.
Firm - ly plant - ed on_ the banks of God's great stream of grace,
Bless - ed are all they_ that shun sin's vain_ and wick - ed ways.



For them has Christ sal - va - tion won; he lov - es them all their
they raise un - end - ing praise_ and thanks to his_ great glor - ious
For them has Christ sal - va - tion won; he loves them all their



days. God's ho - ly Word is their de - light; they_ pros - per in_ its
face. The wick - ed ones, they are not so, but,_ dri - ven by_ the
days. In Je - sus Christ's own right - eous - ness, though sin - ners fail_ and



truth. In it they dwell both day - and night to flour - ish and bear fruit.
winds, they fall and per - ish, weighed with woe, when once God's wrath be - gins.
fall,_ his flock he will pre - serve and bless, who on_ his fa - vor call.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Show Us Christ

Pre - pare our hearts, O God, help us to re - ceive.
Your word is liv - ing light up - on our dark - ened eyes,

Break the hard and ston - y ground, help our un - be - lief.
guards us through temp - ta - tions, makes the sim - ple wise. Your

Plant your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit, o - pen up our
word is food for fam - ished ones, free - dom for the slave, rich - es for the

Chorus
ears to hear, lead us in your truth. Show us Christ, show us
need - y soul, come speak to us to - day.

Christ, O God, re - veal your glo - ry through the preach -
- ing of your word un - til ev - ery heart con - fess - es Christ is Lord.

Bridge
Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. x2 then to Chorus

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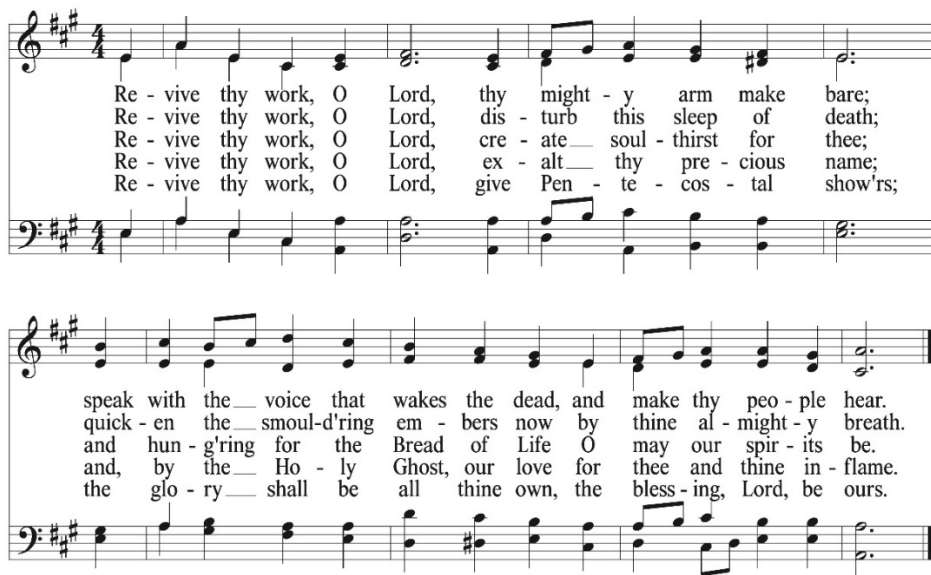
Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Revelation 1:1–3

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—Revive Thy Work, O Lord



Re - vive thy work, O Lord, thy might - y arm make bare;
Re - vive thy work, O Lord, dis - turb this sleep of death;
Re - vive thy work, O Lord, cre - ate soul - thirst for thee;
Re - vive thy work, O Lord, ex - alt thy pre - cious name;
Re - vive thy work, O Lord, give Pen - te - cos - tal show'rs;

speak with the voice that wakes the dead, and make thy peo - ple hear.
quick - en the smoul-d'ring em - bers now by thine al - might - y breath.
and hun - g'ring for the Bread of Life O may our spir - its be.
and, by the Ho - ly Ghost, our love for thee and thine in - flame.
the glo - ry shall be all thine own, the bless - ing, Lord, be ours.

Text: Albert Midlane, 1858; Music: FESTAL SONG, William Walter, 1894

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;
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SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 9:1–2, 7, 11

Leader: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**ALL: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise
to your name, O Most High.**

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned forever; he has established
his throne for justice,

**ALL: Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned
in Zion! Tell among the peoples his deeds!**

Congregational Hymn—#309 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Congregational Hymn—#76 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Prayer of Adoration

Responsive Psalter Reading—Psalm 110, T. H. p. 825–826

New Testament Scripture Reading—Philippians 2:1–11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in his hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at his voice; all creation rises to rejoice.

[Refrain] Behold our God, seated on his throne,

Come, let us adore him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare, come, let us adore him.

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of his words?

Who can teach the One who knows all things?

Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds? [Refrain]

Who has felt the nails upon his hand?

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man.

God eternal, humbled to the grave;

Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign. [Refrain]

Text and Music: Jonathan Baird | Meghan Baird | Ryan Baird | Stephen Altrogge

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Preaching of the Word—1 Kings 1:1–27

WHO'S ON THE THRONE?

Tom Groelsema

Congregational Hymn—All Glory Be to Christ



Should noth - ing of our ef - forts stand, no leg - a - cy sur - vive;
 His will be done, his king - dom come, on earth as is a - bove;
 When on the day the great I Am, the Faith - ful and the True,

un - less the Lord does raise the house, in — vain its build - ers strive.
 who is him - self our dai - ly bread, Praise him, the Lord of love.
 the Lamb who was for sin - ners slain, is — mak - ing all things new.

To you who boast to - mor - row's gain tell me, what is your life?
 Let liv - ing wa - ter sat - is - fy the thirst - y with - out price.
 Be - hold our God shall live with us and be our stead - fast light,

A mist that van - ish - es at dawn; all — glo - ry be to Christ!
 Take bread and wine which he sup - plies; all — glo - ry be to Christ!
 and we shall e'er his peo - ple be; all — glo - ry be to Christ!

All glo - ry be to Christ our king! All glo - ry be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll ev - er sing; all — glo - ry be to Christ!

Text: Dustin Kensrue, vs. 2 alt, Nathan Clark George; Music: AULD LANG SYNE, Scottish Traditional

Benediction

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SERMON NOTES

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.

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