



A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY
REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 29, 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

Today, as we celebrate the Protestant Reformation, we will emphasize the doctrine of justification, alien righteousness, and core gospel truths. As you might expect, we will sing “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God.” Though there are pitfalls, traditions are important. They remind us of who we are and why we do what we do. They place a stake in the ground and say to our hearts and to our community that this is where we were, this is where we are, and this is where we will be.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Romans 8:1–2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Introit—Shout with Joy

Shout with joy to God all the earth; sing the glory of God's name.

Shout with joy to God all the earth.

Come join the song, Sing loud and Strong,

Lift up your voice with glorious praise!

Come see the wonders God has made: the beauty of creation.

Such strength and splendor here display:

*The moon and stars, the sky and sea, the hills that rise in majesty;
How awesome are these things! How marvelous God's mighty deeds!*

Shout with joy to God all the earth.

Shout with joy.

Text and Music: Mark Patterson

Call to Worship—Psalm 46:1–3, 10–11

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

ALL: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

Leader: “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

ALL: The **LORD** of hosts is with us; the **God of Jacob** is our fortress.

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Hymn—#302 Come Christians, Join to Sing

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The melody is a traditional Spanish melody, and the arrangement is by David Evans, 1927.

Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
On heav-en's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
his love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

Congregational Psalm—#66 God Is Known among His People



God is known a - mong his peo - ple, eve - ry mouth his
Ex - cel - lent and glo - rious are you, with your tro - phies
When from heav'n thy sen - tence sound - ed, all the earth in
Vow and pay un - to Je - ho - vah, him your God for -

prais - es fill; from of old he has es - tab - lished
from the fray; you have to slain the might - y war - riors,
fear was still; while all men, saye the meek and low - ly him;
ev - er own;

his a - bode on Zi - on's hill; there he broke the
wrapped in sleep of death are they; when your an - ger
God in judge - ment wrought his will; e'en the wrath of
Wor - ship him and him a - lone; might - y kings o -

sword and ar - row, bade the noise of war be still.
once is ris - en, who can stand in that dread day?
man shall praise you, your de - signs it shall be - fore His fill.
bey and fear him, princ - es bow be - fore His throne.

Text: from Psalm 76, *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: LAUDA ANIMA, John Goss, 1869

Prayer of Adoration

Responsive Scripture Reading of the Decalogue

Leader: I am the Lord, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

ALL: You shall have no other gods before Me.
You shall not make for yourself a carved image.
You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace—Romans 3:21–25

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

Confession of Faith—Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 60

Leader: How are you right with God?

ALL: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned or been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory—A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Text: Based on Psalm 46, Martin Luther, 1529; Music: EIN' FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1529, arr. Rutter

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Christ Is Mine Forevermore

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

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with him.
Yet, I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, his love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing; I am his forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven,
and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted; Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ, I will encounter harm and hatred for his name.
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war.
And he has said he will deliver safely to the golden shore.
And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure;
Christ is mine forevermore.

Come rejoice now, O my soul, for his love is my reward.
Fear is gone and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore.

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure;
Christ is mine forevermore.

Jonny Robinson | Rich Thompson
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Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Revelation 8:6–9:12

DOOM AND GLOOM

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—#263 Lift High the Cross (v. 1, 4, 5)

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Lift High the Cross'. It is written in 4/4 time and consists of four systems of music. The first system is a single melodic line in treble clef. The second system continues the melody and includes a 'Fine' marking. The third system is a two-part setting with a treble and bass staff, featuring a key signature change to one sharp (F#). The fourth system continues the two-part setting and includes a 'D.C. al Fine' marking. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim,
till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

Come, breth - ren, fol - low that where our Sav - ior trod,
Thy king - dom come, that earth's de - spair may cease
For Thy blest Cross which doth for us a - tone,

Our King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
Be - neath the sha - dow of its heal - ing peace.
Cre - a - tion's prais - es rise be - fore Thy throne.

Text: George W Kitchin, 1887; Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1916

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. Joel May;
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins;
Instrumental Director: Joseph Foucachon; K-2 Children's Choir

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Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 28:6–9

Leader: Come! Bless the LORD! For he has heard your voice
and your pleas for mercy.

ALL: The LORD is your strength and your shield;
put your trust in him, for he is your help. Let your
heart exult, and with your song give thanks to him.

Leader: Praise the Lord, for he the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

ALL: Give thanks to him, for the Lord is your salvation.
He will bless his heritage, and he will be
their shepherd and carry them forever.

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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Congregational Psalm—#307 Nothing But the Blood

Prayer of Adoration

Campus Outreach Testimonies

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Only a Holy God

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



Who else com - mands all the hosts of heav - en?
What oth - er beau - ty de - mands such prais - es?
What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fi - re?
Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down?
What oth - er splen - dor out - shines the sun?
What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead?
Who else would of - fer his on - ly Son?



Who else can whis - per and dark - ness trem - bles? On - ly a ho - ly God.
What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with jus - tice? On - ly a ho - ly God.
What oth - er name re - mains un - de - feat - ed? On - ly a ho - ly God.
Who else in - vites me to call him Fath - er? On - ly a ho - ly God.



Come and be - hold him, the One and the On - ly. Cry out, sing ho - ly,



for - ev - er a ho - ly God. Come and wor - ship the ho - ly God.

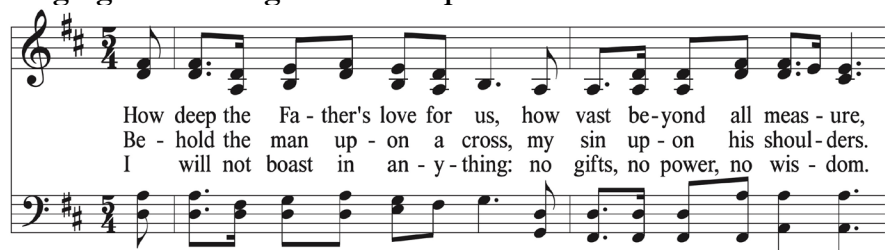
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Preaching of the Word—1 Kings 8:22–66

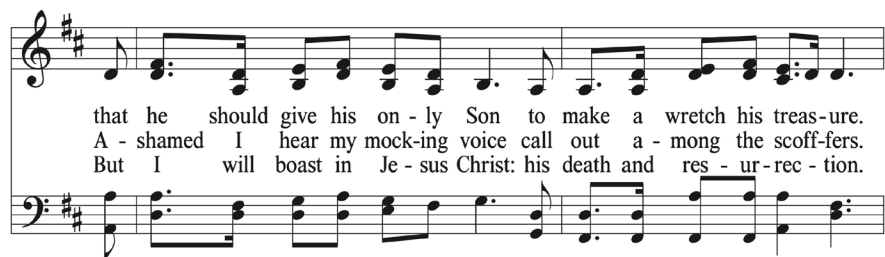
THERE IS NO OTHER

Zach Fulginiti

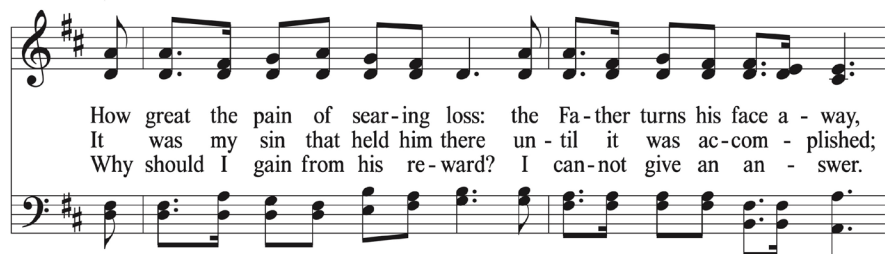
Congregational Song—How Deep the Father's Love for Us



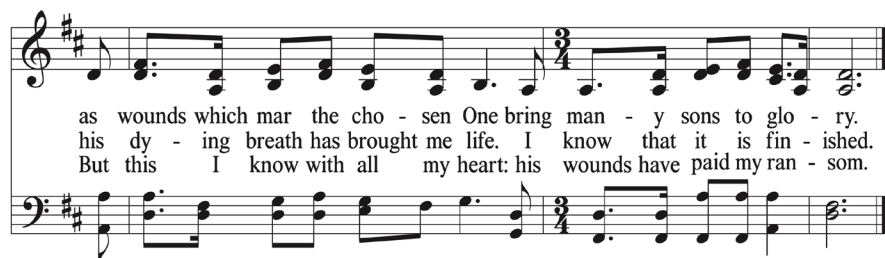
How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure,
Be - hold the man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his shoul - ders.
I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no power, no wis - dom.



that he should give his on - ly Son to make a wretch his treas - ure.
A - shamed I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scoff - ers.
But I will boast in Je - sus Christ: his death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way,
It was my sin that held him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;
Why should I gain from his re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer.



as wounds which mar the cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
his dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ran - som.

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* We understand “the pain of searing loss” to reference the Son’s God-forsakeness, rather than an argument that the Father suffered in the death of his Son.

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.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

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