

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
THE LORD'S DAY

January 14, 2024

## 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

"Through eternity I'll sing on." That truth could slip by us without much thought at first glance. It's easy to confess it and then spend most of our time thinking about clothes, homes, cars, and many other things that moth and rust will eventually eat away. However, today we have the opportunity to consider our eternal King as our hope in life and death. With that perspective, temporal things regain proper meaning, especially as we understand that the Lord works all things together for our eternal good.

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

### Announcements and Greeting

#### Scripture Meditation—John 6:67–69

Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

### Introit

#### Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 30:1–2, 4, 11–12

Leader: Extol the name of the LORD! For he will not let your foes rejoice over you.

**ALL: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.**

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.

**ALL: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me  
with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise  
and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks  
to you forever!**

## Congregational Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign



Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -  
 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner  
 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

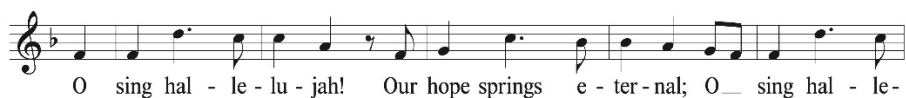
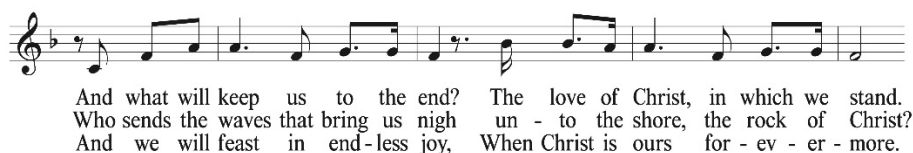
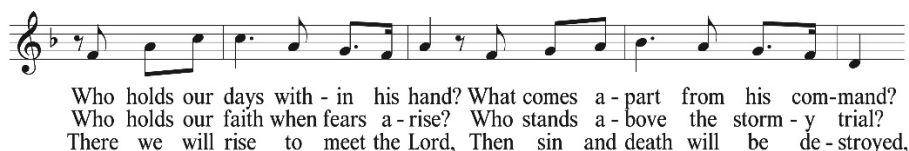
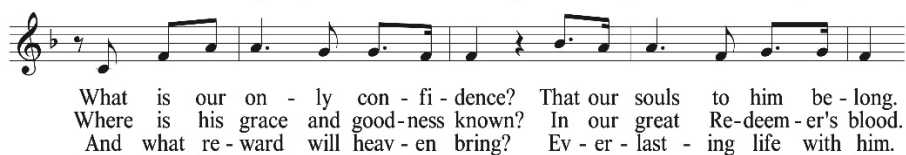
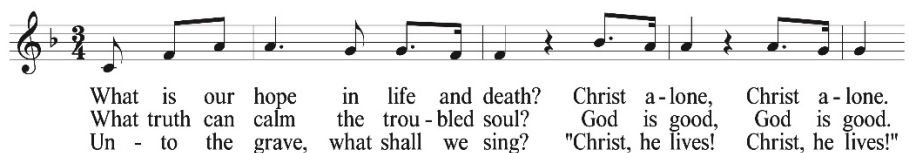
ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom spread from  
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Text: Based on Psalm 71, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793

## Prayer of Adoration

## Congregational Song—Christ Our Hope In Life and Death



Text and Music: Keith Getty, Jordan Kaufflin, Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, and Matthew Merker  
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## New Testament Scripture Reading—2 Corinthians 4:16–5:5

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that

what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## Prayer of Confession of Sin

### Assurance of Grace—Psalm 103:8–12

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

### Confession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Congregational Sung Response—Gloria Patri

Glor-y be to the Fath - er, and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

World with-out end. A - men. A - men.

Text: Traditional; Music: Nathan Clark George, 2015, arr. Henry C. Haffner, 2015

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory

### Pastoral Prayer

### Congregational Psalm—Psalm 42: Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call

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



Lord from sor - rows deep I call  
Storms with - in my trou - bled soul,  
Should my life be torn from me,

when my hope is shak - en.  
ques - tions with - out an - swers.  
ev - 'ry world - ly plea - sure.



Torn and ruin - ed from the fall,  
On my faith these bil - lows roll.  
When all I pos - sess is grief,

hear my des - per - a - tion.  
God, be now my shel - ter.  
God, be then my trea - sure.



For so long I've pled and prayed,  
Why are you cast down, my soul?  
Be my vis - ion in the night.

"God come to my res - cue."  
Hope in Him who saves you.  
Be my hope and re - fuge.



Ev - en so the thorn re - mains.  
When the fires have all grown cold,  
'Til my faith is turned to sight,

Still my heart will praise You.  
cause this heart to praise You.  
Lord, my heart will praise You.



And Oh my soul, put your hope in God. My help, my rock, I will praise Him.



Sing, oh sing, through the rag - ing storm. "You're still my God, my sal - va - tion."

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### Prayer of Illumination

### Preaching of the Word—Psalm 90

GAINING AN ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE ON LIFE

Derek Wells

## Congregational Hymn—What Wondrous Love Is This

What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what won-drous  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from

love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb  
death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse  
who is the great I AM while mil-lions join the theme,  
I'll sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty,

for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
I will sing, I will sing; while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing!  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on!

Text: American folk hymn: Music: WONDROUS LOVE, *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

## 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: Rev. Derek Wells; Assisting Pastor: Rev. Bruce Creswell;  
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins;  
Instrumental Director: Joseph Foucachon

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## SERMON NOTES



## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

### Announcements and Greeting

#### Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 63:1–5

Leader: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;  
my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.  
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.

**ALL: Because his steadfast love is better than life,  
let your lips praise him!**

Leader: Bless him as long as I live; in his name lift up your hands.

**ALL: Then my soul will be satisfied as with fat  
and rich food, and my mouth will praise you  
with joyful lips.**

#### Congregational Hymn—#580 Lead On, O King Eternal

### Prayer of Adoration

#### Responsive Psalter Reading—Psalm 62, T.H. p. 806

#### New Testament Scripture Reading—Matthew 5:1–12

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Congregational Hymn—#565 All for Jesus!**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Congregational Hymn—#5 God My King, Thy Might Confessing**

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

**Preaching of the Word—1 Timothy 6:17–19**

THE WORK PLAN FOR THE RICH

Eric Russ

**Congregational Hymn—#642 Be Thou My Vision**

**Benediction**

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Eric Russ; Assisting Pastoral Intern: Daniel Pollorena;

Worship Director: Joseph Foucachon; Pianist: Lindsay Byrd

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## SERMON NOTES

In humble reliance upon the word of God and prayer, Christ Covenant Church  
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.

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