

SERVICE OF WORSHIP ~ ONLINE EDITION THE LORD'S DAY ~ January 21, 2024

that in everything he might be preeminent. —Colossians 1:18

WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

We are glad you are here! Whether you are visiting for the first time or you've been here for years, we encourage you to look through the bulletin as you prepare for worship. Often, there will be some theme or main idea sprinkled throughout. Some elements of the service may be familiar to you, while other aspects might feel new. Either way, it will help to keep the basic pattern of worship in mind: praise, renewal, proclamation, and response. We encourage you to take a bulletin home for further reading and prayer. Finally, if you don't have a Bible, feel free to take one from the pew as our gift to you.

IN PREPARATION

Hebrews 12:2 teaches us that Christ endured the cross for the joy that was set before him. At least in part, that joy is the fact that he would win redemption for his people, that great cloud of witnesses. Shame was considered nothing. Mocking was taken in silence. Christ pressed on for the victory that would be his. Joy is set before us as well. Let us then set sin aside, run with endurance, and lay hold of the founder and perfector of our faith.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—2 Timothy 2:10

Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

Introit

Call to Worship—Based on Psalm 72:17–19

Leader: Let the name of our King endure forever, let his fame continue as long as the sun! For all people shall be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!

ALL: Bless the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory!

Amen and Amen!

Congregational Hymn—#92 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Prayer of Adoration

Congregational Hymn—On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

[Refrain] I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for promised land, I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for promised land.

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day; There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

No chilling winds nor pois'nous breath can reach that healthful shore; Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed? When shall I see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest?

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New Testament Scripture Reading—2 Timothy 2:11–13

The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself.

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession of Sin and Thanksgiving for Grace

Giving of Tithes and Offerings
Offertory—I Need Thee Every Hour

Sacrament of Baptism

Covenant Baptism
Adeline Cooper Hendrick
Daughter of Trey and Julianna Hendrick

Natalie Grace Hendrick
Daughter of Hayden and Katie Hendrick

Isla Faith Holmes Daughter of Andrew and Sarah Holmes

Declan James Price Lochlan Colm Price Sons of Jackson and Taylor Price

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—O Church Arise

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

O Church Arise

O church arise and put your armor on,
Hear the call of Christ our Captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is Love,
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side,
We know the outcome is secure;
And Christ will have the prize for which he died,
An inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet As the Son of God is stricken; Then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet, For the Conqueror has risen. And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave, This victory march continues till the day Every eye and heart shall see him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, Give grace for every hurdle; That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful. As saints of old still line the way, Retelling triumphs of his grace, We hear their calls and hunger for the day, When with Christ we stand in glory.

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Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Revelation 13:1–10

A CALL FOR ENDURANCE AND FAITH

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—#363 We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens his will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing; Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning: Thou, Lord wast at our side--all glory be thine! We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation endure thro' tribulation; Thy name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

Text: Theodore Baker, 1917;

Music: KREMSER Adrianus Valerius's Nederlandtsch Gedenckclank, 1626 Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

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. Eric Russ; Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Instrumental Director: Joseph Foucachon; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Pamela Mullins

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship—Based on 2 Timothy 1:9–10

Leader: Praise him who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before

the ages began!

ALL: Praise the name of the Lord! For his power and plan has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Congregational Hymn—#524 Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

Guest Interview—Ligon Duncan

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Hymn—#172 Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder Parents, you may escort your pre-school aged children to Building Little Pillars (B-106).

Preaching of the Word

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Congregational Hymn—#103 Holy God, We Praise Your Name Benediction

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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!

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