



A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

January 28, 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

Psalm 111 ends with that well known phrase, "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." That is, the honoring of, the worshipping of, the praising of, the serving of, etc. is the beginning of wisdom. True wisdom begins with worship.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—Psalm 111:10

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

Introit

Call to Worship—Psalm 112:1, 4, 6-7

Leader: Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears
the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments!

**ALL: Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

Leader: For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.

**ALL: He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm,
trusting in the LORD.**

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Song—Behold Our God

Who has held the o - ceans in His hands? Who has num - bered
Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion
Who has felt the nails up - on His hands, bear - ing all the

ev - ery grain of sand? Kings and na - tions trem - ble at His voice.
an - y of His words? Who can teach the One who knows all things?
guilt of sin - ful man? God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave,

All cre - a - tion ri - ses to re - joice.
Who can fath - om all His won - drous deeds?
Je - sus, Sav - ior, ri - sen now to reign!

Be - hold our God, seat - ed on His throne. Come, let us a - dore Him. Be -
hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore _____ Him!

Text and Music: Jonathan Baird | Meghan Baird | Ryan Baird | Stephen Altrogge
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Congregational Hymn—#140 O Word of God, Incarnate

Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Faith—Westminster Confession Ch. 21.1

The light of nature shows that there is a God, who has lordship and sovereignty over all, is good, and does good unto all, and is therefore to be feared, loved, praised, called upon, trusted in, and served, with all the heart, and with all the soul, and with all the might. But the acceptable way of worshipping the true God is instituted by Himself, and so limited by His own revealed will, that He may not be worshipped according to the imaginations and devices of men, or the suggestions of Satan, under any visible representation, or any other way not prescribed in the holy Scripture.

New Testament Scripture Reading—Ephesians 6:10–13

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Corporate Confession of Sin—*from Henry Thornton*

ALL: We have great reason, O Lord, to be humbled before you, on account of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, the disorder and irregularity of our lives, and the prevalence of worldly affections within us. Too often have we indulged the tempers which we ought to have subdued, and have left our duty unperformed. O Lord, be merciful to us for your Son Jesus Christ's sake. Produce in us deep repentance, and a lively faith in that Savior who has died for our sins, and risen again for our justification. Amen.

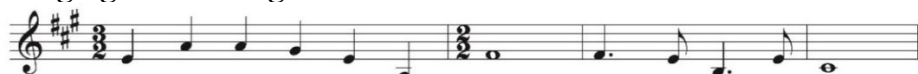
Assurance of Grace—Philippians 1:3–6

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings Offertory—Be Thou My Vision

Pastoral Prayer

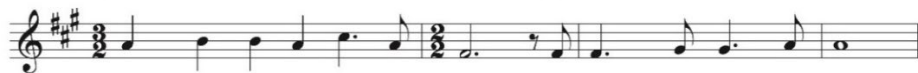
Congregational Song—He Will Hold Me Fast



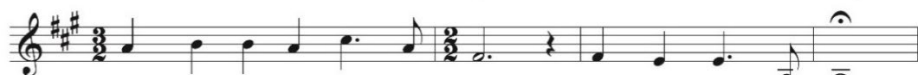
When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
 Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
 For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er would pre - vail, he will hold me fast.
 pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, he will hold me fast.
 jus - tice has been sat - is - fied; he will hold me fast.



I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;
 He'll not let my soul be lost; his prom - is - es shall last;
 Raised with him to end - less life, he will hold me fast,



for my love is of - ten cold; he must hold me fast.
 bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
 'till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!



He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;



for my Sav - ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

Text: Ada Habershon, Matt Merker;

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Congregational Song—O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

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

O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er; Great-est
 O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er; Strong de-
 O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er; Gra-cious

treas-ure of my long-ing soul; My God, like You there is no
 fend-er of my wea-ry heart; My sword to fight the cruel de-
 Sav-ior of my ru-ined life; My guilt and cross laid on Your

oth-er; True de-light is found in You a-lone.
 ceiv-er, and my shield a-gainst his hate-ful darts.
 shoul-ders; In my place You suf-fered ble and died.

Your grace, a well too deep to fath-om; Your
 My song, when en-e-mies sur-round me; My
 You rose, the grave and death are con-querred; You

love ex-ceeds the heav-ens' reach; Your truth, a fount of per-fect
 hope, when tides of sor-row rise; My joy, when tri-als are a-
 broke my bonds of sin and shame. O Lord, my Rock and my Re-

wis-dom; My high-est good and my un-end-ing need.
 bound-ing; Your faith-ful-ness, my ref-uge in the night.
 deem-er, may all my days bring glo-ry to Your Name.

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Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Revelation 13:11–18

THE MARK OF THE BEAST

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—God Is My Strong Salvation



God is my strong Sal - va - tion: What foe have I to fear?
Re - ly on God Al - might - y; my soul, with cour - age, wait.

In dark - ness and temp - ta - tion, my Light, my Help is near.
His truth al - ways sus - tains me, when faint and des - o - late.

Though hosts en - camp a - round me, firm in the fight I stand.
His might my heart shall strength - en, His love my joy in - crease.

What ter - ror can con - found me, with God at my right hand?
Mer - cy my days shall length - en; the Lord will give me peace.

Text: From Psalm 27, James Montgomery, 1822; Music: AURELIA, Samuel Wesley, 1864

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

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SERMON NOTES

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 p.m.

Announcements and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 22:22–23

Leader: I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst
of the congregation I will praise you:

**ALL: You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring
of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him,
all you offspring of Israel!**

Congregational Hymn—

#351 Built on the Rock, the Church Doth Stand

Prayer of Adoration

New Testament Scripture Reading—Matthew 16:13–18

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Hymn—#337 O Spirit of the Living God

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

Preaching of the Word

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Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—#286 Worship Christ, the Risen King

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

Worship Services at 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

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