



CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

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

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

James chapter 2 begins with, "My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory."

We begin our worship service praising God for his equity and justice. However, this should also be a terrifying thought. After-all, doesn't James 2 alert us to the fact our hearts are not like God's? Would not God be justified in condemning us? Therefore, we look to Christ, for he is our strong and perfect plea. We stand in his righteousness. When it comes to justification, we are judged not according to our 'own doing,' but Christ's. What a gift of grace!

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

Announcements and Greeting

Scripture Meditation—1 Samuel 16:7

But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.”

Introit

Call to Worship—Psalm 96:10–11

Leader: Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!

**ALL: Yes, the World is established; it shall never be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."**

Leader: Let the heavens be glad,

ALL: and let the earth rejoice.

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Psalm—Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise.

I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.

Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;

He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;

He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.

Heav'n and Earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;

He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain.

Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free,

Raises those bowed down with anguish,

makes the sightless eye to see.

Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King;
Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

Text: Psalm 146, *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: RIPLEY, Gregorian Chant

Prayer of Adoration

Old Testament Scripture Readings—2 Chronicles 19:4–7

Jehoshaphat lived at Jerusalem. And he went out again among the people, from Beersheba to the hill country of Ephraim, and brought them back to the LORD, the God of their fathers. He appointed judges in the land in all the fortified cities of Judah, city by city, and said to the judges, “Consider what you do, for you judge not for man but for the LORD. He is with you in giving judgment. Now then, let the fear of the LORD be upon you. Be careful what you do, for there is no injustice with the LORD our God, or partiality or taking bribes.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace—Ephesians 2:8–9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Confession of Faith—Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 38.

Leader: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

ALL: At the resurrection, believers, being raised up to glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the Day of Judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory—I Need Thee Every Hour

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

*I need thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.*

*I need thee, O I need thee, ev'ry hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.*

*I need thee ev'ry hour, stay thou near by;
temptations lose their pow'r when thou art nigh.*

*I need thee ev'ry hour, Most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son.*

Text: Annie S. Hawkes and Robert Lowry; Music: Mark Shepperd

New Member Recognition and Baptism

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Song—Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heav'n he stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there,
who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the just, is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by his blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

Text: Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music: Vikki Cook

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word—Romans 2:11–13

NO PARTIALITY

Kevin DeYoung

Congregational Hymn—For All the Saints

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William Walsham How, 1864, 1875; Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

Benediction

Assisting in Worship: Preaching Pastor: Dr. Kevin DeYoung; Assisting Pastoral Intern: Samuel Cheek;
Pastor of Worship: Rev. Nathan George; Organist: Pam Eash; Pianist: Ben Sincock
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SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 PM

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—Psalm 146:1, 10

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**ALL: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion,
to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

Congregational Hymn—#345 Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Text: John Newton, 1779; Music: AUSTRIAN HYMN, Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797

Prayer of Adoration

Congregational Hymn—#441 Jesus Shall Reign

Text: Based on Psalm 72, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793

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

New Testament Scripture Reading—2 Thessalonians 1:5–12

This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering— since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed. To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified

in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Psalm—God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

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God is our Refuge and our Strength, our ever present Aid,
And, therefore, though the earth remove, we will not be afraid;
Though hills amidst the sea be cast, though foaming waters roar,
Yes, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

A river flows whose streams make glad the city of our God,
The holy place wherein the Lord Most High has his abode;
Since God is in the midst of her, unmoved her walls shall stand,
For God will be her early help, when trouble is at hand.

The nations raged, the kingdoms moved,
But when his voice was heard
The troubled earth was stilled to peace before his mighty Word.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety is secure;
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

O come, behold what wondrous works Jehovah's hand has wrought;
Come, see what desolation great he on the earth has brought.
To utmost ends of all the earth he causes war to cease;
The weapons of the strong destroyed, he makes abiding peace.

Be still and know that I am God, o'er all exalted high;
The subject nations of the earth my Name shall magnify.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety is secure;
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

Text: Psalm 46, Scottish Psalter, 1912; Music: REFUGE AND STRENGTH, Gregory Wilbur, 2010

**Preaching of the Word—
Heidelberg Catechism—Lord's Days 19 & 20**

CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH

Tom Groelsema

Congregational Hymn—#320 Rejoice, All Ye Believers

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1700; Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry Smart, 1836

Benediction

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Heidelberg Catechism—Lord's Days 19 and 20

50. *Why the next words: “and sits at the right hand of God”?*

Christ ascended to heaven, there to show that he is head of his church, the one through whom the Father governs all things.

51. *How does this glory of Christ our head benefit us?*

First, through his Holy Spirit he pours out gifts from heaven upon his members.

Second, by his power he defends us and preserves us from all enemies.

52. *How does Christ's return “to judge the living and the dead” comfort you?*

In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

53. *What do you believe concerning “the Holy Spirit”?*

First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is eternal God.

Second, that he is given also to me, so that, through true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.

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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