



# CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP ~ DIGITAL EDITION THE LORD'S DAY ~ August 9, 2026

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

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### **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**

This Sunday, we are reminded of the intersection of truth and love in the person of Jesus Christ. These inseparable aspects of our faith constitute both a gift and a call, because just as God has graciously revealed his truth and given his love to us, we are called to "speak the truth in love" to others.

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:45 AM

### Announcements and Greeting

#### Scripture Meditation—Philippians 2:12–13

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

### Introit

#### Call to Worship—Psalm 47:1–2, 6–7

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God  
with loud songs of joy!

**ALL: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,  
a great king over all the earth.**

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises!  
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

**ALL: For God is the King of all the earth;  
sing praises with a psalm!**

### Prayer of Invocation

#### Congregational Psalm—Rejoice, All People, Homage Give

Rejoice, all people, homage give, to God with voice of triumph sing;  
he rules us in dread majesty, the great, the universal king.

He puts the nations under us and makes us all triumphant stand;  
he gives us for our heritage his promised rest, a goodly land.

God has ascended with a shout, Jehovah with the trumpet's sound;  
sing praise to God our King, sing praise,  
yes, let his glorious praise abound.

Our God is King of all the earth,  
with thoughtful heart his praise make known,  
o'er all the nations God does reign, exalted on his holy throne.

To praise and serve our cov'nant God  
the princes of the earth draw nigh;  
all kingly pow'rs belong to him, he is exalted, God Most High.

Text: from Psalm 47, *The Psalter*, 1912.; Music: TRURO, *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789

## Prayer of Adoration

### Congregational Song—Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor, in the fury of the storm;  
when the winds of doubt blow through me  
and my sails have all been torn;  
in the suff'ring, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few;  
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor, while the tempest rages on;  
when temptation claims the battle, and it seems the night has won;  
deeper still then goes the anchor, though I justly stand accused;  
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor, through the floods of unbelief;  
hopeless somehow, o my soul, now, lift your eyes to Calvary;  
this my ballast of assurance, see his love forever proved;  
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor, as we face the wave of death;  
when these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath;  
We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind and life secure;  
and the calm will be the better, for the storms that we endure.  
Christ the shore of our salvation, ever faithful ever true  
We will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

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## **Old Testament Scripture Reading—Psalm 121**

A Song of Ascents. I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## **Prayer of Confession of Sin**

### **Assurance of Grace—2 Chronicles 7:14**

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

### **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.**

## **Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

### **Offertory—Rhosymedre**

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

Author of life divine, who hast a table spread,  
Furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread,  
Preserve the life thyself hast given, and feed and train us up for Heav'n.

Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love,  
Till all thy life we gain, and all thy fullness prove,  
And, strengthened by thy perfect grace, behold without a veil thy face.

Text: Charles Wesley; Music: John David Edwards, arr by Ralph Vaughan Williams

## **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Congregational Hymn—Jesus, Lover of My Soul**

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee;  
Spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1740; Music: MARTYN, Simeon B. Marsh, 1834

## **Prayer of Illumination**

## **Preaching of the Word—Jude**

KEPT FOR JESUS CHRIST

Kevin DeYoung

## **Congregational Hymn—Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross**

Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain;  
free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

Refrain: In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever,  
till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;  
there the Bright and Morning Star shed his beams around me.  
[Refrain.]

Near the cross! O lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;  
help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. [Refrain.]

Near the cross! I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever;  
till I reach the golden strand, just beyond the river. [Refrain.]

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1869; Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1869

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## SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 6:00 PM

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship—Psalm 66:1–5

Leader: Shout for joy to the God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise!

**ALL: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
So great is your power that your enemies  
come cringing to you.**

Leader: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;  
they sing praises to your name."

**ALL: Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man**

#### Congregational Song—Fountain of Never Ceasing Grace

Fountain of never ceasing grace, thy saints' exhaustless theme,  
great object of immortal praise, essentially supreme;  
we bless thee for the glorious fruits thine incarnation gives;  
the righteousness which grace imputes, and faith alone receives.

Whom heaven's angelic host adores, was slaughtered for our sin;  
the guilt, O Lord was wholly ours, the punishment was thine:  
Our God in flesh, to set us free, was manifested here;  
and meekly bare our sins, that we his righteousness might wear.

As all, when Adam sinned alone, in his transgression died,  
so by the righteousness of One are sinners justified;  
we to thy merit gracious Lord, with humblest joy submit,  
again to paradise restored, in thee alone complete.

In him we have a righteousness, by God himself approved;  
our rock, our sure foundation this, which never can be moved.  
Our ransom by his death he paid, for all his people giv'n,  
the law he perfectly obeyed, that they might enter heav'n.

Our souls his watchful love retrieves, nor lets them go astray,  
His righteousness to us he gives, and takes our sins away:  
We claim salvation in his right, adopted and forgiv'n,  
His merit is our robe of light, his death the gate of Heav'n.

Text Augustus Toplady, 1774; Music: KINGSFOLD, Old English Folk Song, adapted GDW, 2007

## **Prayer of Adoration**

### **Congregational Psalm—Blessed Are All They (Psalm 1)**

Blessed are all they that shun sin's vain and wicked ways.  
For them has Christ salvation won; he loves them all their days.  
God's holy Word is their delight; they prosper in its truth.  
In it they dwell both day and night to flourish and bear fruit.

Firmly planted on the banks of God's great stream of grace,  
they raise unending praise and thanks to his great glorious face.  
The wicked ones, they are not so, but, driven by the winds,  
they fall and perish, weighed with woe,  
when once God's wrath begins.

Blessed are all they that shun sin's vain and wicked ways.  
For them has Christ salvation won; he loves them all their days.  
In Jesus Christ's own righteousness, though sinners fail and fall,  
his flock he will preserve and bless, who on his favor call.

Text: Psalm 1; Music Nathan C. George

## **Responsive Psalter Reading—Psalm 1, T.H. p. 785**

### **Old Testament Scripture Reading—Deuteronomy 10:12–22**

And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I am commanding you today for your good? Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their

offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen. Your fathers went down to Egypt seventy persons, and now the Lord your God has made you as numerous as the stars of heaven.

### **New Testament Scripture Reading—Romans 6:1–11**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Congregational Psalm—Psalm 27: O Lord Teach Me to Follow You**

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O Lord, teach me to follow you, instruct me in your way,  
and lead me on a level path because of foes, I pray!

Give me not to my foes' desire; false witnesses arise  
against me breathing violence and seeking my demise.

Oh! What if I had not believed! I am by faith assured  
that in the land of life I'll see the goodness of the Lord.

With patience wait upon the Lord, O let your strength be great;  
and so let courage fill your heart as on the Lord you wait.

Text: Psalm 27:11-14; Music: LOUISE, Robert M. Copland, 1972, ©Crown and Covenant

## **Preaching of the Word—Heidelberg Catechism—Lord's Day 32**

### **HOW TO THINK ABOUT GOOD WORKS**

Kevin DeYoung

## **Congregational Hymn—#532 Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way**

Text: William T. Matson, 1866; Music: PENITENCE, *St. Albans Tune Book*, 1875

## **Benediction**

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## **Heidelberg Catechism—Lord's Day 32**

*86. Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works*  
Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also renewing us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, and that he may be praised through us, and further, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

*87. Can those be saved who do not turn to God from their ungrateful and unrepentant ways?*

*By no means. Scripture tells us that no person, no idolater, adulterer, thief, no covetous person, no drunkard, slanderer, robber, or the like will inherit the kingdom of God.*

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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