

# COVENANT CHURCH

MAY 21, 2023 — MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

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## GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 118:24

◆ Sing: *Holy, Holy, Holy!*

Hymn #100

◆ Invocation

◆ Confession of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

*(Unison)*

**Minister:** What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**Congregation:** That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

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## GOD CLEANSSES US

### Confession of Sin (*Unison*)

Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive us  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.

*Modified from Book of Common Worship (1993)*

### ◆ Declaration of Pardon

Romans 5:8-9 (ESV)

<sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

### ◆ Sing: *Psalm 115 A*

(Children come forward on last stanza)

Children's Message

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## GOD CONSECRATES US

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Jeffrey Kusumi

◆ Sing: *The Doxology*

Hymn #731

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23 (ESV)

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who

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believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Sermon

Rev. Brooks Pipher

“Praying for Growth in Grace”

◆ Sing *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

Hymn #585

### **GOD COMMUNES WITH US AT THE LORD’S TABLE**

The Invitation and Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup

### **GOD COMMISSIONS US**

◆ Sing *To God Be the Glory*

Hymn #55

◆ Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

Announcements

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