Covenant Church

Morning Worship — April 21, 2024

Welcome

Rev. Brooks Pipher

Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4a

*Sing: Hymn #115, All Creatures of Our God & King

*Invocation

*Confession of Faith (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed (Copied from The Reformation Study Bible, 2015)

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

Born of the virgin Mary;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He arose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven;

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the Dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

The holy catholic* church; the communion of saints;

The forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body;

And the life everlasting. Amen.

* The word "catholic" refers to the universal church

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We're very glad to worship with you this morning. Covenant Church is a church of **Prayer**, **Worship**, and **Love for Our City**, while rejoicing and resting in God — to his glory.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight — Evening Worship

You're invited to return here at 6:00 PM for the *Evening Worship* service. The sermon text this evening is Acts 8:1-40.

One Year Anniversary and Last Sunday Lunch Next Sunday, April 28

On the last Sunday of each month, Covenant enjoys a fellowship lunch immediately following the conclusion of *Morning Worship*. This month Covenant will also celebrate one year of public worship.

Men's Study and Fellowship Tuesday, May 14

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Confessing the Faith.

Women's Study and Fellowship Thursday, May 16

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM. Encounters with Jesus, Chapters 9 and 10, at Amanda's home, 620 E. Angeleno Ave., Burbank.

GOD CLEANSES US

Confession of Sin (Unison)

Psalm 51:1-4 (ESV)

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

*Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:13-14 (ESV)

¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

*Sing: Hymn #94, How Firm a Foundation (Children Come Forward on Last Stanza)

Children's Message

GOD CONSECRATES US

Worship of God with Tithes & Offerings Jeffrey Kusumi

*Sing: Hymn #731, The Doxology

Pastoral Prayer (& Lord's Prayer)

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*.

Reading of Scripture

Deuteronomy 1:1-5 (ESV)

¹ These are the words that Moses spoke to all Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the Arabah opposite Suph, between Paran and Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth, and Dizahab. ² It is eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of Mount Seir to Kadesh-barnea. ³ In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses spoke to the people of Israel according to all that the Lord had given him in commandment to them, ⁴ after he had defeated Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who lived in Ashtaroth and in Edrei. ⁵ Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses undertook to explain this law, saying,

Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher

"The God Who Speaks"

*Sing: Psalter #1

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

The bread is vegan and gluten-free. The cup is grape juice. It is our custom to hold the elements, and partake together. Please leave your glass cup at your seat.

GOD COMMISSIONS US

*Sing: Hymn #146, Man of Sorrows! What a Name

*Benediction

Romans 15:13

