

# Covenant Church

*Morning Worship — September 29, 2024*

## Welcome

Rev. Brooks Pipher

## Announcements

### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

## Call to Worship

Revelation 5:11-14

**\*Sing: Psalter #100**

**\*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

### Join Covenant Church

Short Class after *Morning Worship*

### Last Sunday Lunch

**Today, 11 AM**

Please plan to stay for our monthly fellowship lunch following the conclusion of *Morning Worship*.

### Evening Worship

**Tonight, 6 PM**

The sermon text this evening is  
Philippians 3:1-4:1.

### Game Night

**Saturday, October 5**

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, 160 S. Victory.  
Pizza, Games, Fun.

### Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, October 6**

### Membership Sunday

**Sunday, October 6**

### Pumpkin Carving Party & Contest

**Saturday, October 26, 4 - 6 PM.**

### God + Hope in Death Conference

**Saturday, November 9**

*\*Congregation standing, if able*

## **GOD CLEANSSES US**

### **Confession of Sin (*Unison*)**

Psalm 51:1-4 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! <sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. <sup>4</sup>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**

Psalm 103:8-12 (ESV)

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. <sup>9</sup>He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. <sup>10</sup>He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. <sup>11</sup>For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; <sup>12</sup>as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

### **\*Sing: *Psalter #56B***

(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 8:1-20 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> “The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. <sup>2</sup> And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. <sup>3</sup> And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>4</sup> Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. <sup>5</sup> Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. <sup>6</sup> So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, <sup>8</sup> a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup> a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. <sup>10</sup> And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

<sup>11</sup> “Take care lest you forget the LORD your God by not keeping his commandments and his rules and his statutes, which I command you today, <sup>12</sup> lest, when you have eaten and are full and have built good houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks multiply and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup> who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, <sup>16</sup> who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know, that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end. <sup>17</sup> Beware lest you say in your heart, ‘My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.’ <sup>18</sup> You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. <sup>19</sup> And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. <sup>20</sup> Like the nations that the LORD makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

**Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher**

## “God's Commitment to His People”

**\*Sing: Psalter #145A**

**GOD COMMISSIONS US**

**\*Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

**\*Sing: Psalter #179**

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