

Covenant Church

Morning Worship — May 18, 2025

Welcome

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Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 150

***Sing:** Hymn #38, *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

*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

Evening Worship

Tonight, 6 PM

Please make plans to join for *Evening Worship*. The sermon text is Revelation 13:1-18.

Dinner Fellowship

This Tuesday, May 20

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.

IKEA at 600 S. Ikea Way, Burbank.
50% off entrée night!

"Last Sunday" Lunch

Sunday, May 25

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

Men's Study & Fellowship

Tuesday, May 27

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM.

Confessing the Faith.

Whole Foods in Burbank.

Ladies Study & Fellowship

Wednesday, May 28

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM.

Amanda's home in Burbank.
620 E. Angeleno Ave.

**Congregation standing, if able*

GOD CLEANSSES US

Confession of Sin (*Unison*)

Psalm 38:15-22 (ESV)

¹⁵ But for you, O LORD, do I wait; it is you, O Lord my God, who will answer. ¹⁶ For I said, "Only let them not rejoice over me, who boast against me when my foot slips!" ¹⁷ For I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me. ¹⁸ I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin. ¹⁹ But my foes are vigorous, they are mighty, and many are those who hate me wrongfully. ²⁰ Those who render me evil for good accuse me because I follow after good. ²¹ Do not forsake me, O LORD! O my God, be not far from me! ²² Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

***Scriptural Assurance of Pardon**

Micah 7:18-19 (ESV)

¹⁸ Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. ¹⁹ He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

Sing: *Psalter #130

(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

Hebrews 8:1-7 (ESV)

Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, ²a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. ³For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer. ⁴Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. ⁵They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, “See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain.” ⁶But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. ⁷For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second.

Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher

“Christ: The Point”

Sing: Hymn #689, *Be Still, My Soul

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.

***Sing: Pensive, Doubting, Fearful Heart**

Author: John Newton, Public Domain.

https://hymnary.org/text/pensive_doubting_fearful_heart#google_vignette

(Children Come Forward on Last Stanza)

1 Pensive, doubting, fearful heart,
Hear what Christ the Saviour says;
Every word should joy impart,
Change thy mourning into praise.
Yes, he speaks, and speaks to thee,
May he help thee to believe;
Then thou presently wilt see
Thou hast little cause to grieve:

4 Though afflicted, tempest-tossed,
Comfortless awhile thou art,
Do not think thou canst be lost,
Thou art graven on my heart;
All thy wastes I will repair;
Thou shalt be rebuilt anew;
And in thee it shall appear
What the God of love can do.

***Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

***Sing: Psalter #179**

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