# **Covenant Church**

Morning Worship — July 27, 2025

#### Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Brooks Pipher

#### **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

### Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-3

\*Sing: Psalter #113

\*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 *on mission* by **Prayer**, **Worship**, and **Love for Our City**, while rejoicing and resting in God — to his glory.

#### **NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Welcome Rev. James Ritchey!

James is originally from Birmingham, Alabama and studied at Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS (2018). James serves as mission developer and pastor at River City Reformed Presbyterian Church (ARP) in Little Rock, AR. James is married to Missy and they have three children, Anna Maria (5), Thomas (2) and David (9 months). James is also currently pursuing a Master of Theology through Edinburgh Theological Seminary and the University of Glasgow.

"Last Sunday" Lunch Today, 11:15 AM

Evening Worship Tonight, 6 PM

Men's Study & Fellowship This Tuesday, July 29 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. IKEA in Burbank.

Outreach & Evangelism Saturday, August 16 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Burbank Farmer's Market.

\*Congregation standing, if able

#### **GOD CLEANSES 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

Colossians 1:13-14 (ESV)

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

## \*Sing: Hymn #252, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (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**

Ephesians 1:3-10 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup> which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

### Sermon, Rev. James Ritchey

"In Him We Have Redemption"

\*Sing: Hymn #535, O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

#### **GOD COMMISSIONS US**

\*Benediction

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*Sing: Psalter #179		

