Covenant Church

Morning Worship — September 21, 2025

Welcome

Mr. Andrew Telthorst

Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:1-5

*Sing: Hymn #2, O Worship the King

*Invocation

*Confession of Faith (Unison)

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

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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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

Evening Worship Tonight, 6 PM

The sermon text for *Evening Worship* is Revelation 21:5–8.

"Last Sunday" Lunch Next Sunday, September 28

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

No Evening Worship Next Sunday

There is no Evening Worship scheduled for next Sunday, September 28, but we look forward to resuming both Morning Worship and Evening Worship on October 5.

Ladies Study & Fellowship Wednesday, October 15

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Brooks and Amanda's, Burbank

Men's Study & Fellowship Tuesday, October 21

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM, IKEA in Burbank

Pumpkin Carving Party & Contest Saturday, October 25

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Brooks/Amanda's

*Congregation standing, if able

GOD CLEANSES US

Confession of Sin (Unison)

Psalm 25:8–18 (ESV)

⁸ Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. ¹¹ For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great. ¹² Who is the man who fears the Lord? Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose. ¹³ His soul shall abide in well-being, and his offspring shall inherit the land. ¹⁴ The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant. ¹⁵ My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for he will pluck my feet out of the net. ¹⁶ Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. ¹⁷ The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. ¹⁸ Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

*Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:9 (ESV)

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Sing: Psalter #118A

(Children Come Forward on Last Stanza)

Children's Message

GOD CONSECRATES US

Worship of God with Tithes & Offerings

*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

Genesis 11:26 - 12:9, Hebrews 11:8-10 (ESV)

Genesis 11:26 - 12:9 (ESV)

²⁶When Terah had lived 70 years, he fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

²⁷ Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot. ²⁸ Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans. ²⁹ And Abram and Nahor took wives. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah. ³⁰ Now Sarai was barren; she had no child.

³¹Terah took Abram his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went forth together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there. ³² The days of Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran.

12 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

Hebrews 11:8-10 (ESV)

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher

"God's Wonderful Plan for Your Life"

*Sing: Psalter #44A

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

*Benediction

*Sing: Hymn #520, Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Numbers 6:24-26	
*Sing: Psalter #179	