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Scripture: Romans 13:8-14

Sermon: "What Is Love"

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*Song of Response: "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God" LUYH 356

We Offer Our Gifts and Prayers

Offertory Prayer

We Offer our Gifts

Each week at Covenant we receive a monetary offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. This morning's offering will support the Christian Education Fund which provides funds for the education of our children at the local Christian schools; this "fair share" contribution helps keep tuition down to a level that is affordable for most of our families.

Moment for Missions: Miriam McAuley

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for One Another

We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

God's Law of Love: I Corinthians 13:4-8a

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We are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Peace Before Us"

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Worship Participants

Pastor: Kory Plockmeyer ✦ Piano: Mike Janssen ✦ Guitar: Laremy DeVries Drums: Adam Schultz ✦ Vocalist: Kate Henreckson ✦ Reader: Sanneke Kok Sound: Andy Landman ✦ Projection: Marty Vander Plaats CCLI #493458 ✦ OneLicense #A-721171

Ordinary Time

September 10, 2017

The Beloved Community

⁺ We've intentionally left a blank space on the front of this worship folder for you to fill. What does community look like to you? Tell us with words or pictures and share it on the bulletin board by the welcome table.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 91:2, Romans 10:9,13) Let us worship God.

"He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust." Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead. "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts, confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

*Opening Song: "We Will Extol You, God and King"

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*Song of Praise: "Agnus Dei"

Alleluia, alleluia, for the Lord God almighty reigns. Alleluia, alleluia for the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia. Holy, holy are you Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. For you are holy; holy are You Lord God almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. Amen

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*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

*Call to Confession: "Open Our Eyes"

Open up our ears to listen. Open up our eyes to see. Plant the seed of understanding. Grow it up like the tallest tree. Pull the blinds, open wide all the windows. Fill our hearts with the light of your truth. (Repeat first 2 lines)

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God's Law for Our Lives

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, you shall have no other gods before me.

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You shall not make for yourself a graven image, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the iniquities of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not take the name of the Lord in vain, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work--you, your son or daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested on the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Song of Dedication: "Deep Within"

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God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Jesus Is Our King" (chorus only) LUY

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Prayer of Dedication for the Church Education Year

Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.