

## We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

\*Dedication to Holy Living: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 32, 34

I am called a Christian  
because by faith I am a member of Christ  
and so I share in his anointing.  
I am anointed  
to confess his name,  
to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,  
to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil  
in this life,  
and afterward to reign with Christ  
over all creation  
for all eternity.  
We call him “our Lord”  
because—  
not with gold or silver,  
but with his precious blood—  
he has set us free  
from sin and from the tyranny of the devil,  
and has bought us,  
body and soul,  
to be his very own.

\*Song: “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

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## We are Sent with God’s Blessing

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: “Glory Be to the Father”

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### Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. John Kok ♦ Organ/Piano: Donna Brue

Worship Leaders: Bob and Rebecca De Smith ♦ Sound: Kayt Frisch ♦ Projection: Mark Horstman  
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# Ordinary Time

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Ordinary time refers to the Sundays between Pentecost and Advent, a season in the liturgical year of growth in the life of the church.

*Creator God, garden my life—turn it over, cultivate it, and make it ready for gospel seeds to take root. And in quiet darkness let the gospel do its work, slow but powerful, stirring up life in my heart, increasing joy, strengthening all your graces, until shoots of new life rise and good fruit bursts forth on the branches of my life, a life beautiful for you and a blessing to others. Amen. (Prayer from Seeking God's Face by Philip F. Reinders)*

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## God Gathers Us for Worship

### \*Call to Worship

O God, you summon the day to dawn,  
you teach the morning to waken the earth.

**For you the valleys shall sing for joy,  
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

For you the kings of the earth shall bow,  
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

**Your love and mercy shall last forever,  
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.**

Great is your name.

**Great is your love. Amen.**

### \*Opening Prayer

\*Song "Come, Christians Join to Sing"

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\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song "Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah"

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## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Lectionary Ready: Psalm 20

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Call to Confession: Psalm 51:9

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 32:1-2

Song "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

*My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to Him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace  
and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness  
and clothed me in His light  
and wrote His law of righteousness*

*with pow'r upon my heart.  
My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to Him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses with strength  
and causes fears to fly;  
whose ev'ry promise is enough  
for ev'ry step I take,  
sustaining me with arms of love  
and crowning me with grace.*

*My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to him who reigns above,  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,  
whose ev'ry thought is love.  
For ev'ry day I have on earth  
is given by the King;  
so I will give my life, my all,  
to love and follow him.*

## God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Send Us Your Spirit"

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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.

Scripture: I Samuel 15:34-16:13

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Sermon

Dr. John Kok

\*Song of Response: "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout" LUYH 69:1-3

## We Offer Our Gifts and Prayers

Offertory Prayer and Offering of 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 Missions Fund.

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for One Another