

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Aleluya/Alleluia" LUYH 183:1

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: John 20:19-29 p.1686

Sermon: "Breathed On and Sent" Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "All Are Welcome" LUYH 269:1,2,4,5

*We Profess Our Faith: "The Apostles' Creed" LUYH 783A

We Offer Our Prayers and Gifts

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 World Renew, which reaches out in God's name to people around the world who are struggling with poverty, hunger, disaster, and injustice to help them find lasting ways to improve their lives.

****A reverse offering for Mid-Sioux will also be passed during this time.*

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for Each Other

We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

*Song: "Christ Is Alive, Let Christians Sing" LUYH 206:1,3,4,5

We Are Sent and Blessed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" LUYH 946:1,2

Worship Participants

Pastor: Pastor Joel Kok ♦ Organ: Beth Vanden Berg ♦ Piano: Donna Brue

Guitar: Jaren Brue, Laremy DeVries ♦ Djembe: Tom Clark

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John 20:19b-21

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship:

This is the good news—
the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—
the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—
once we were no people; now we are God's people.

Hallelujah!

Christ is our peace,
the indestructible peace we hold in our hearts and share with each other.

Hallelujah!

*Opening Song: "Come, People of the Risen King"

**1. Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring him praise:
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him,
where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.**

**Chorus: Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!**

**2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night;
come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For his perfect love will never change, and his mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. (chorus)**

**3. Come, young and old from every land – men and women of the faith;
Come, those with full or empty hands – find the riches of his grace.
Over all the world, his people sing – shore to shore we hear them call
The truth that cries through every age: "Our God is all in all!" (chorus)**

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*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

**1. Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.**

Chorus

**You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,
oh, our hearts always hunger for.**

**2. Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
oh, we hopelessly lost the way. (to chorus)**

**3. Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;
here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne,
oh, we're falling before Your throne. (to chorus)**

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Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: I Peter 1:18-21

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Song of Thanksgiving: "Jesus Paid It All (O Praise the One)"

**1. I hear the Savior say, thy strength indeed is small;
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all.**

**Chorus: Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.**

**2. Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone. (to chorus)**

**3. And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat. (to chorus)**

**Bridge: O praise the one who paid my debt
and raised this life up from the dead. (repeat)**

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