Ordinary Time

August 4, 2019



Colossians 3:1-4

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

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

Worship Participants

Pastor: Joel Kok → Piano: Ryan Smit → Guitar: Rob Haan → Bass: Emilyn Smit

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God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Gathering Song: "All Creatures of Our God and King" LUYH 551:1,5,6

*Call to Worship

This is the day that you have made, Lord.

Help us to rejoice in it and be glad!

Remind us of the privileges we enjoy as your people:

to come to you to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our troubled spirits, to rest in all your promises.

Open our eyes to see you, Lord.

Open our ears to hear your Word.

Visit us through your Holy Spirit,

and help us celebrate our faith. Amen.

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "Across the Lands"

LUYH 775

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession

Eternal and merciful God,

you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake.

Yet we have strayed from your way;

we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

through what we have done and what we have left undone.

(silent prayers)

As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Song of Dedication: "Take, O Take Me As I Am"

LUYH 741

Chorus:

O praise the name of the Lord our God. O praise His name forevermore. For endless days we will sing Your praise, oh Lord, oh Lord our God.

- 3. Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again. O trampled death, where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King.
- 4. He shall return in robes of white, the blazing sun shall pierce the night. And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

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The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, my soul; and forget not all his benefits who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

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 General Fund, which helps keep our church operating and pays for a wide range of denominational ministries, and the Building Fund, which is used to cover major project expenses for the church.

Offertory: "Jesus Paid It All"

We Are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **LUYH 965**

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Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Lord, you have compassion on every creature you have made;

Father in heaven, you sent your Son not to condemn,

but so that the world can be saved.

Triune God, you are forming us to live in your love and reflect your glory.

Loving God, we thank you, now and forever, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us join our voices with all the saints and angels

and the whole creation to sing:

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

LUYH 538:1

The Institution (I Corinthians 11)

The Consecration

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died; Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Dying, he destroyed our death;

rising, he restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Prayer of Consecration (concluding with the 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.

The Invitation

Communion Song: "O Praise the Name"

1. I cast my mind to Calvary where Jesus bled and died for me.
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, my Saviour on that cursed tree.

2. His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid Him down in Joseph's tomb. The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.

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Assurance of Pardon (from Ezekiel 36)

I will sprinkle clean water upon you,

and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness,

and from all your idols I will cleanse you.

A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you;

and I will remove from your body the heart of stone

and give you a heart of flesh.

In Christ we have the forgiveness of sins and the riches of God's grace.

Thanks be to God.

Song of Thanksgiving: "What the Lord Has Done in Me"

LUYH 800

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "God Is So Good"

LUYH 777:1

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: Colossians 2:20-3:11

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Sermon: "Hidden and Alive"

Rev. Joel Kok

We Respond with Thanksgiving

*Song of Response: "Behold the Lamb"

LUYH 840:1-3

*We Profess Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

LUYH 783A

We Celebrate Communion

We invite all who believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to the table to be fed and nourished. We believe that this is a family meal. If your children have shown an interest in taking communion, please contact Pastor Joel or your elder. This morning the elements will be passed through the rows. Please hold them until all have been served and we will eat together. If you are in need of gluten-free bread, please indicate that to the servers.