# We Are Sent with God's Blessing

\*Words of Sending: Our World Belongs to God #58 With the whole creation we wait for the purifying fire of judgment. For then we will see the Lord face to face. He will heal our hurts, end our wars, and make the crooked straight. Then we will join in the new song to the Lamb without blemish who made us a kingdom and priests. God will be all in all, righteousness and peace will flourish, everything will be made new, and every eye will see at last that our world belongs to God! Hallelujah! Come, Lord Jesus.

# **Ordinary Time**

September 22, 2019



## Revelation 3:11-13

I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. The one who is victorious I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will they leave it. I will write on them the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on them my new name. Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

## **Worship Participants**

Pastor: Joel Kok → Organ/Piano: Donna Brue → Guitar: Rob Haan
Cello: Jocelyn Zonnefeld → Vocalist: Annika Goslinga
Sound: Doug DeBoer → Projection: Dane Hibma → CCLI #493458 → OneLicense #A-721171

<sup>\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*</sup>Closing Song: "View the Present Through the Promise" LUYH 470:1,2

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

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# God Gathers Us for Worship

#### Welcome

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 9:1-2, 7-10

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart;

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and rejoice in you;

I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

The Lord reigns forever;

he has established his throne for judgment.

He rules the world in righteousness

and judges the peoples with equity.

The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

\*Songs of Praise: "Your Name"

**LUYH 375** 

"In Christ Alone"

**LUYH 770** 

## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Song of Preparation: "Open Our Eyes"

LUYH 297:1.2.5

All sing the chorus, leader leads call and response format on verses

### **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you created each of us in your image

and called us to love one another with the same love you have shown us.

We confess before you that we have turned our eyes away

from the suffering of others.

We have not treated others with the dignity and love you intend for all people.

Open our eyes to all who are suffering harassment, abuse, and violence,

and to the ways we have enabled systems that harm and exploit.

Open our hearts as you urge us to stand with and for all who suffer.

Move us forward to do the work of speaking out and making changes.

And forgive us our sins, in Jesus's name. Amen

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 147:1-6

\*Song of Dedication: "They'll Know We Are Christians"

LUYH 256:2-4

## God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "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.

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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: Revelation 3:7-13

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Sermon: "Transformation Temple"

Rev. Joel Kok

\*Song of Response: "The Church's One Foundation"

LUYH 251:1,2,4

\*We Profess Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

LUYH 783A

# 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 Compassion/Tuition Assistance Fund which provides monetary support to our members who have financial needs and helps support families who otherwise would not be able to meet the financial obligations of Christian education.

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for Each Other

<sup>\*</sup>God Greets Us, We Greet One Another