

The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103

**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.**

Sending

*Benediction

*Song: "Ubi caritas et amor/Live in Charity"

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Genesis 9:12-13

God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship (based on Genesis 9)

Come, all you people, come and worship.

God has made a covenant with us.

Come, all creatures of the earth, come and worship.

God has made a covenant with all creatures.

Remember the covenant and be thankful.

God remembers and keeps his covenant and God will save us.

Come! Let's worship Almighty God! Hallelujah!

*Song: "O Worship the King"

LUYH 2:1-3

*Opening Prayer

*Song: "Creation Sings the Father's Song"

**1. Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn
and run the course of day till evening falls in crimson rays.**

**His fingerprints in flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe,
He charts the eagle's flight; commands the newborn baby's cry.**

Chorus:

Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!"

Fill the earth with songs of worship; tell the wonders of creation's King.

**2. Creation gazed upon His face; the ageless One in time's embrace
unveiled the Father's plan of reconciling God and man.**

A second Adam walked the earth,

whose blameless life would break the curse,

whose death would set us free to live with Him eternally. (to chorus)

**3. Creation longs for His return, when Christ shall reign upon the earth;
the bitter wars that rage are birth pains of a coming age.**

**When He renews the land and sky, all heaven will sing and earth reply
with one resplendent theme: the glory of our God and King! (to chorus)**

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*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

The Institution: I Corinthians 11

The Consecration

Praise to you, Lord Jesus

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restore 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.

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

*We invite you to come to one of the communion stations when you feel ready
and ask that you take the bread and juice back to your seats. We will eat and drink
together after all are served. We invite you to sing when you are seated.*

The Communion: "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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Scripture: Genesis 9:8-17

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Sermon: "The Judge Who Saves"

Pastor Joel Kok

We Respond in Faith

*Song of Response: "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

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*We Profess Our Faith: Our World Belongs to God
From the beginning, through all the crises of our times,
until the kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever:

Our world belongs to God!

While justly angry,

God did not turn away from a world bent on destruction
but turned to face it in love.

With patience and tender care

the Lord set out on the long road of redemption

to reclaim the lost as his people

and the world as his kingdom.

When evil filled the earth, God judged it with a flood,
but rescued Noah and his family and animals of every kind.

He covenanted with all creatures

that seasons will continue

and that such destruction will not come again

until the last day

when the Lord returns to make all things new.

Prayers for the Church and World

God Meets Us in the Breaking of the Bread

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks for the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Creator and Redeemer God, in your wisdom you made all things;
with your power you sustain all things.

In Christ, we see your wisdom and power more fully revealed.

For such a salvation and such a Savior, we thank you, now and forever. Amen.

We Are Reconciled and Renewed

Call to Confession: "Return to God"

The Psalm Reading: Psalm 25:1-10

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Song: "Return to God"

Soloist sings the 1st time, congregation joins the 2nd time through

**Return to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and mercy;
come seek the tender faithfulness of God.**

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Prayer of Confession

Dear God,

we thank and praise you for holding us to you in covenant,

for blessing us and all creation through us as we live obediently before you.

You are always faithful. We often are not.

Oh merciful God, remember your covenant again.

Silence

We thank you for Jesus, our mediator,

who was willing to be broken because we break covenant with you.

Thank you for the Holy Spirit who bends stubborn will to new obedience.

Thousand, thousand thanks are due, dearest Jesus, unto you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Joel 2:13

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Return to the Lord your God,

for he is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

In Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Children's Blessing: "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

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Children ages 3 years old through 1st grade are invited to go 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. Parents, we invite you to walk your children downstairs to help get them settled in.

Prayer for Illumination