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# We are Sent with God's Blessing

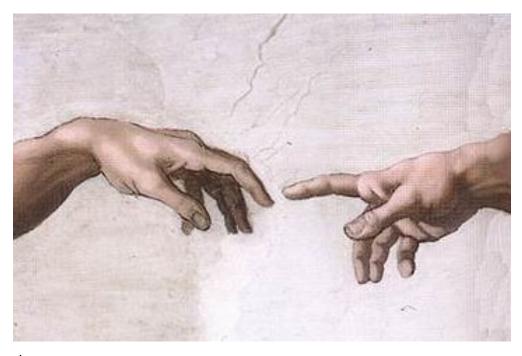
\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

**LUYH 608** 

# Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017



† The Creation of Adam by Michelangelo

## Genesis 4:10

"The Lord said, "What have you done? Listen! Your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground."

## **Worship Participants**

Pastor: Kory Plockmeyer → Piano: Sara Ploegstra → Guitar: Ben Lappenga Drums: Tom Clark → Sound: Jeff Ploegstra → Projection: Dane Hibma CCLI #493458 → OneLicense #A-721171

# God Gathers Us for Worship

#### Welcome

\*Call to Worship

God is King:

Let the earth be glad!

Christ is victor:

his rule has begun!

The Spirit is at work:

creation is renewed!

Halleluiah!

Praise the Lord!

\*Song: "Yesu azali awa/Jesus Christ Is with Us"

LUYH 600:1,3,4,5

\*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song of Praise: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession (based on Psalm 85)

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God of grace, throughout the ages

you have extended forgiveness and favor upon your people.

You have turned aside anger

and offered love to those you made to reflect the same.

Yet we are a people who have forsaken your way:

we reflect hatred not love,

we reflect violence not peace,

we reflect power not humility,

we reflect division not unity.

Nevertheless, show us your steadfast love, O Lord.

Revive us. Lead us to the way of deliverance.

When we fail to follow, neglect our neighbors,

and are naive to our own sin,

may your faithfulness spring up from the ground and forgive us.

May we offer the same forgiveness to others,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 85:1-3

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You, Lord, showed favor to your land;

you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins.

You set aside all your wrath and turned from your fierce anger.

In Christ, God's salvation is at hand, and righteousness has come.

Thanks be to God!

Song of Thanksgiving: "It Is Good to Give Thanks to You, Lord" LUYH 48:1,6

# God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Jesus Is Our King" (chorus only)

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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: Genesis 4

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Sermon: "The Saver"

Pastor Kory Plockmeyer

\*Song of Response: "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout"

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# We Offer Our Gifts and Prayers

Offertory Prayer

We Offer 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 Mission Fund which enables us to focus on mission efforts both locally and in other countries.

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for One Another

## We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

A Prayer: Almighty God, Father of all Mercies

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\*Song: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

LUYH 863:1,3,5,6