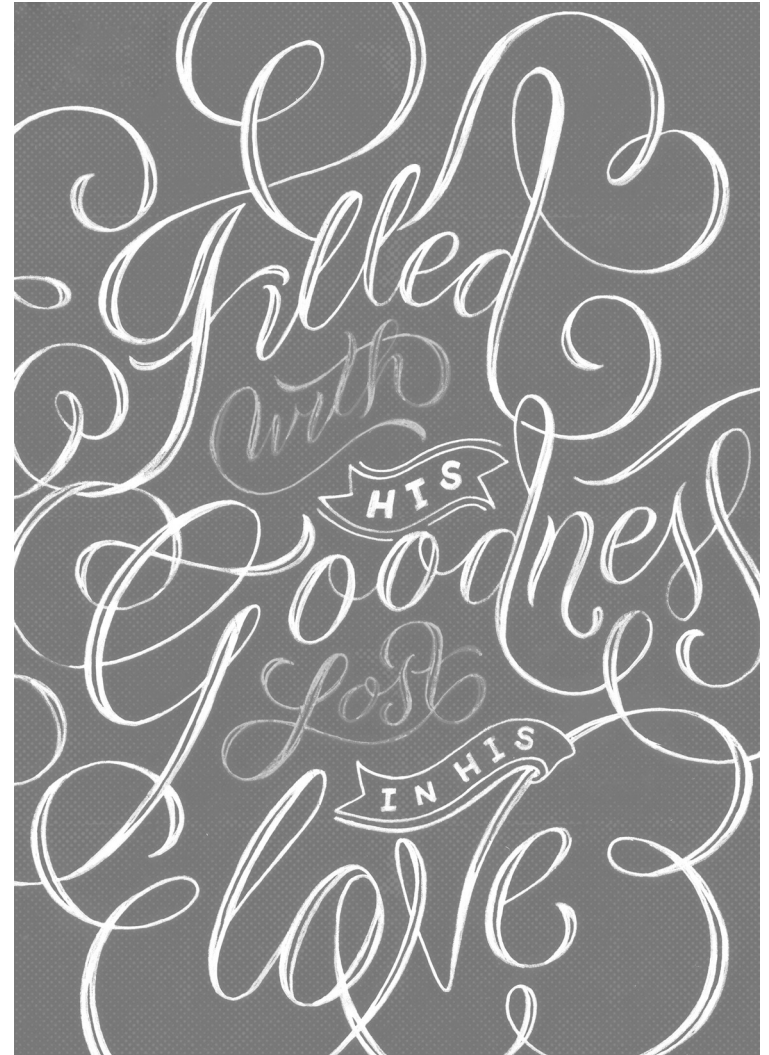


Ordinary Time

October 28, 2018



Worship Participants

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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: based on Psalm 145 p.979
 Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to his greatness.
 One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.
 All your works praise you, Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.
 They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power.
 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

*Song of Praise: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" LUYH 540

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song of Praise: "We Will Extol You, God and King" LUYH 562

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

New Testament Reading: I John 3:1-3 p.1900

Confession of Our Faith: The Nicene Creed LUYH 806

Song: "Amen" LUYH 915

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "O God, You Are My God" LUYH 743

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.

We are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "O Christ, the Great Foundation"

1. ***O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand
 to preach your true salvation in every age and land,
 pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure,
 to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.***

4. ***This is the moment glorious when he who once was dead
 shall lead his church victorious, their champion and their head.
 The Lord of all creation, his heav'nly kingdom brings,
 the final consummation, the glory of all things.***

Text: Timothy T'ing Fang Lew, Chinese; tr. Mildred A. Wiant, Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley,
 Text © 1977 Hymns of Universal Praise, rev. ed., Chinese Christian Literature Council Ltd., Hong Kong

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.

...Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

(sung) Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

LUYH 810

The Institution

...Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

(sung) Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. LUYH 810

Prayer of Consecration

...We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray:

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.

Distribution of the Elements

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.

We Offer our Gifts

Our gifts to Covenant's Compassion Fund provide monetary support to our members who have financial needs.

Scripture: Matthew 6:13

p.1504

Sermon: "How to Live with a Lion on the Prowl"

Rev. Adam Eisenga

We Respond with Thanksgiving

*Song of Response: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

LUYH 776:1-3

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 Tuition Assistance Fund, which helps support families who otherwise would still not be able to meet the financial obligations of Christian education.

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

At Covenant, we believe that this is not the table of Covenant Christian Reformed Church; it is not the table of the Christian Reformed Church in North America, it is the table of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We therefore invite all who believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to the table to be fed and nourished. We also believe that this is a family meal. If your children have shown an interest in taking communion, please contact your elder who would be happy to talk through that with them. This morning the elements will be passed through the rows. If you are in need of gluten-free bread, please indicate that to the servers.

Preparing the Table

All things come from you, O Lord.

And of our own, we have given you.

We bring bread; **you give your body.**

We bring wine; **you give your blood.**

We bring our offerings; **yours is the sacrifice.**

Let us bring our gifts to be prepared for the communion feast of our Lord.

*Hymn of Praise: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

LUYH 965

Trinitarian Invocation

Is the Father with us? **The Father is with us!**

Is Christ among us? **Christ is among us!**

Is the Spirit here? **The Spirit is here!**

This is our God: **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

We are God's people. **We are redeemed.**