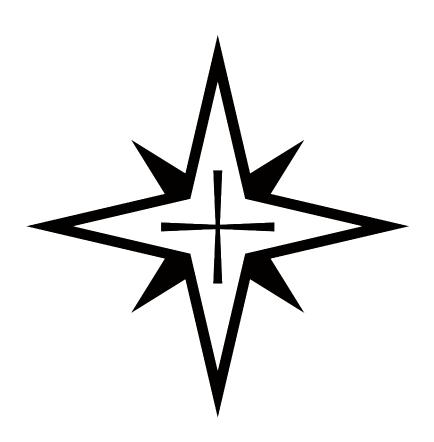
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 6, 2022

Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are located at the entrances to the sanctuary, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.



Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok → Piano: Ryan Smit → Violin: Amie Smit → Guitar: Rob Haan
Bass: Jake Miller → Vocalists: Joya Breems, Micah Dykstra

Sound: Jeff Ploegstra → Video: Dane Hibma → CCLI #493458 → OneLicense #A-721171

Hearing Assistance

A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.

Isaiah 60:1,2

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

† Bulletin Cover Art by Corissa Nelson

Gathering

Welcome

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 138)

We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole heart.

We sing your praise and give thanks

for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

You have exalted your name and your word above everything.

You stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me.

Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

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

LUYH 521

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "O Praise the Name (Anastasis)"

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.

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.

Words & Music: Benjamin Hastings, Dean Ussher. Marty Sampson
© 2015 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Renewal

The Invitation

We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. We ask that you take the bread and juice back to your seats and we will eat and drink together after all are served.

The Communion: "Lift Up Your Hearts unto the Lord"

"Bless the Lord, My Soul"

LUYH 844 LUYH 836

*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

p.939

Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your disease, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

Sending

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "All Glory Be to Christ"

1. Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive; unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive. To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life? A mist that vanishes at dawn; all glory be to Christ.

Chorus: All glory be to Christ, our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ!

- 2. His will be done, His kingdom come, on earth as is above, who is Himself our daily bread; praise Him, the Lord of love.

 Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price;

 we'll take a cup of kindness yet; all glory be to Christ. (to chorus)
- 3. When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true, the Lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new. Behold, our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light. And we shall e'er his people be; all glory be to Christ. (to chorus)

Music: Traditional Scottish folk tune, Text & Arr.: Dustin Kensrue, © 2012 We Are Younger We Are Faster Musi singing

Word

Children's Blessing: "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Words & Music: Traditional; arr. © 2006 Faith Alive Resources

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten 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, you are welcome to walk your children downstairs to help get them settled in.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 15:1-11 p.1789

Message: "The Story and the Signal" Pastor Joel Kok

Table

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.

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Therefore, Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

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.

As we remember the lavish gift of your grace, O God,

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, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: "Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.
 There is no more for heaven now to give.
 He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
 my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his.

Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, the future sure, the price, it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold: my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea.

Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

4. With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson,
© 2018 Farren Love And War Publishing, Integrity's Alleluia! Music, CityAlight Music

Prayers for the Church and World