

\*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-5, 13-16

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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 diseases,  
 who redeems your life from the pit  
 and crowns you with love and compassion,  
 who satisfies your desires with good things  
 so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.  
 As a father has compassion on his children,  
 so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;  
 for he knows how we are formed,  
 he remembers that we are dust.  
 The life of mortals is like grass,  
 they flourish like a flower of the field;  
 the wind blows over it and it is gone,  
 and its place remembers it no more.

## Sending

\*Closing Song: "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LUYH 571:1-3

\*Benediction

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: Jill Friend ♦ Guitar: Laremy DeVries ♦ Vocalist: Sara Ploegstra

Readers: Jeff & Jane Taylor

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### 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.



# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 27, 2022



## Cairn (n) *Gaelic*: heap of stones

"Cairns are about...**communication**, cairns are arguably one of humanity's earliest ways of sharing information, **connection**, in that people often build a cairn or add a stone to one as a means of connecting to place, history, and/or family, and a sign of **community**, each time we build one or rely on one we are bonding with those who came before and will come later."

-David B. Williams, author of Cairns, Messengers in Stone

"These rocks will help the Israelites remember this forever."

-Joshua 4:7 ERV

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## Gathering

Welcome & Opening Prayer

\*Song of Praise: "O God Beyond All Praising" LUYH 557

\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song: "What Wondrous Love" LUYH 164

## Reconciliation, Renewal, & Remembrance

Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion,  
you are slow to anger and full of mercy,  
welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts.  
Receive in your loving embrace  
all who come home to you.  
Seat them at your bountiful table of grace,  
that, with all your children,  
they may feast with delight  
on all that satisfies the hungry heart.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Sung Assurance of Pardon: "Your Mercy Flows" LUYH 700

Prayers for the Church and World

## Word

Children's Blessing: "God Is So Good" LUYH 777:1

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: Psalm 32

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Message: "Truly Known; Truly Loved"

Pastor Joel Kok

\*Song of Response: "How Blest Are They Whose Trespass" LUYH 669:1-3

## Table

Litany of Remembrance

Remember, O Lord, Your great mercy and love,  
for they are from of old (Ps. 25:6).

**Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;  
according to your love remember me,  
for you are good, O Lord (Ps. 25:7).**

"The time is coming," declares the Lord,  
"when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel...

For I will forgive their wickedness  
and will remember their sins no more (Jer. 31:31,34).

**The Lord is gracious and compassionate.**

**He remembers his covenant forever (Ps. 111:4-5).**

Remember the gracious love of our Father in heaven

**who made us children of his own possession.**

Remember Jesus Christ, sent by the Father to share our human nature,  
to live and to die as one of us,

and so to move us from the alienation of sin and death,

**to reconcile us to God our Father by his perfect sacrifice,  
and through his suffering, death, and resurrection  
to save all who put their trust in him.**

Remember the Holy Spirit, who teaches us these things

**and makes the effects of Christ's salvation real in our lives.**

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Consecration, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Lord's Prayer: "Abana alathi fi ssama/Abana in Heaven" LUYH 911

The Invitation

*We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take them back to your seats to partake there.*

The Communion: "You Are My Hiding Place"

LUYH 412

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

LUYH 693