

## Word

Scripture Reading: Romans 14:1-12

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Message: "Matters of Life and Death"

Pastor Joel Kok

\*Song of Response: "In Christ Alone"

LUYH 770

## Sending

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "God Our Father (Let Your Kingdom Come)"

1. ***God our Father, King of heaven, let your kingdom come.  
On the earth as in your heaven, let your will be done.***
2. ***Everything we need you've given; bread for every day.  
In your mercy we're forgiven, may we show your grace.***

*Chorus:*

***Let your kingdom come, let your will be done.***

3. ***Lead us not into temptation, help us walk your ways.  
Lord, deliver us from evil, hear us as we pray: (to chorus)***

*Bridge:*

***For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever, forevermore.***

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## Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ♦ Piano: Sara Ploegstra ♦ Guitar: Rob Haan ♦ Cello: Jocelyn Zonnefeld  
Saxophone: Molly Galema ♦ Vocalist: Phil Postma ♦ Worship Leader: Rebecca DeSmith  
Sound: Nick Breems ♦ Video: Tom Clark ♦ 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.



## Romans 14:8

If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

## Gathering

### Welcome

\*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer: “Come, Worship God” LUYH 509

Come, worship God, who is worthy of honor;  
enter God’s presence with thanks and a song!  
You are the rock of your people’s salvation,  
to whom our jubilant praises belong.

**Ruled by your might are the heights of the mountains;  
held in your hands are the depths of the earth.**

Yours is the sea, yours the land, for you made them,  
God above all gods, who gave us our birth.  
We are your people, the sheep of your pasture;  
you are our Maker, and to you we pray.

**Gladly we kneel in obedience before you;  
great is the one whom we worship this day!**

Now let us listen, for you speak among us;  
open our hearts to receive what you say.  
Peace be to all who remember your goodness,  
trust in your word, and rejoice in your way!

\*Song: “Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down” LUYH 510

\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” LUYH 521:1,2

## Renewal

### Prayer of Confession

**Holy Wisdom, Almighty God,  
with our lips we acclaim you as Lord,  
yet often in our hearts and lives we deny your reign.  
We confess our foolishness in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.  
According to your abundant mercy, forgive us our sins,  
and clothe us in the righteousness of Christ  
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

### Words of Assurance:

There is no one righteous, not even one.  
For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,  
and all our justified freely by his grace  
through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

**Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.**

**Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord will never count against them.**

Song: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” LUYH 521:3

Children’s Blessing: “Teach Us Your Ways”

***Teach us Your ways, teach us Your ways as we learn from one another,  
learn to love each other, teach us Your ways.***

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Leader & Congregation: **The Lord be with you.**

Kids & Helpers: And also with you.

Leader & Congregation: **God bless you as you worship.**

Kids & Helpers: God bless you as you worship.

*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.*

Moment for Missions: Safe Church Ministry

Prayers for the Church and World with “Teach Us Your Ways”

***1. Teach us Your ways, teach us Your ways as we learn from one another,  
learn to love each other, teach us Your ways.***

***2. Teach us to give, teach us to give, give ourselves for one another,  
learn to love each other, teach us to give.***

***3. Teach us to weep, teach us to weep, let us weep with one another,  
learn to love each other, teach us to weep.***

***4. Hallelujah, hallelujah; let us learn from one another,  
learn to love each other, teach us Your ways.***

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