

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.**

The Invitation

The bread which we break is our sharing in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the same loaf.

The cup for which we give thanks is our sharing in the blood of Christ.

The cup which we all share is our fellowship in the blood of Christ.

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 it back to your seats to partake there.

Communion Songs: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" D. Cherwien
"Amazing Grace" R. Powell
"Marvelous Grace" LUYH 696

*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 diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.**

Sending

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "When We Walk with the Lord" LUYH 327

Worship Participants

Pastor: Rev. Paul Birnbaum, Dr. Joel Kok ✦ Organ/Piano: Lois Vander Zee
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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.



Psalm 46:10-11

**"Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations;
I am exalted in the earth."**

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

+ Ordinary time refers to the Sundays between Pentecost and Advent, a season in the liturgical year of growth in the life of the church.

Gathering

Prelude: "O For the Wings of a Dove"

F. Mendelssohn

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Revelation 15:3-4

Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Just and true are your ways,
King of all nations.**

Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name?

For you alone are holy.

All nations will come and worship before you.

*Song: "Across the Lands"

LUYH 775

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "This Is My Father's World"

LUYH 21

Renewal

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

Lord, have mercy.

Song of Lament: "Pelas dores deste mundo/For the Troubles"

LUYH 663

Words of Hope: Our World Belongs to God, st.17, 58

Our world, broken and scarred, still belongs to God,

who holds it together and gives us hope.

With the whole creation we join the song:

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,

to receive power and wealth and wisdom

and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

He has made us a kingdom of priests to serve our God,

and we will reign on earth.

God will be all in all, righteousness and peace will flourish,

everything will be made new, and every eye will see at last

that our world belongs to God.

Hallelujah! Come, Lord Jesus!

Invitation to Giving

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.

Children's Blessing: "May the Lord Bless You"

**May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you,
may the Lord lift up his face to shine on you. (repeat)**

Text: Numbers 6:24-25, Music: Judy Hunnicutt, © 1985 The Sacred Music Press, Div. of Lorenz Corp.

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.

Prayers for the Church and World

Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 46

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Message: "Be Still and Know"

Rev. Paul Birnbaum

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

LUYH 776

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.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

LUYH 538:1

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

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

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.