Ordinary Time

October 29, 2023



Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ← Piano: Mike Janssen ← Guitar: Laremy DeVries ← Bass: Ricky Rietveld
Drums: James Kamstra ← Vocalist Rebecca DeVries
Sound: Andy Landman ← 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.

Matthew 22:37-40

[Jesus] said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

+ 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

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 90:1, 13-14, 16-17

You, Lord, have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or the earth had been formed, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

Turn to us, O Lord. How long? Have compassion on your servants.

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so we may rejoice and be glad all of our days. Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

Let the favor of the Lord be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands— O prosper the work of our hands!

*Songs of Praise: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LUYH 590:1-3,6,7

"Forever" LUYH 578

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "As the Deer Pants for the Water"

LUYH 332

Renewal

Prayer of Confession

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

symbolized in baptism, 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,

who lives and reigns with you,

and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

3. Sent forth in beauty, reconciling all things, radiant in holiness.
Christ is the life of the world. Christ is the life of the world.
Christ is the life of the world.

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Communion Song: "Taste and See"

LUYH 817

*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

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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.

Sending

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Great Is He"

Altos: **Great is he who's the King of kings and the Lord of lords,** he is wonderful!

Sopranos: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, he is wonderful!

Men: Alleluia, salvation and glory, honor and power, he is wonderful!

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Message: "A Many Splendored King" Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "In Christ Alone" LUYH 770

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

Memorial Acclamation

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.

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 it back to your seats to partake there.

Communion Song: "Christ Is the Life of the World"

- 1. In Christ we offer all that He has offered, the perfect offering. Christ is the life of the world. Christ is the life of the world.
- 2. So we remember all that he remembered, the whole of love returned. Christ is the life of the world. Christ is the life of the world.

Chorus:

Let us lift up, lift our hearts! Let us lift up, lift our hearts!

It is good to lift our hearts to the Lord.

Words of Assurance: Deuteronomy 7:9

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The Covenant Promises of Baptism

Brothers and sisters, do you, the people of the Lord, promise to receive Willem in love, pray for him,

help instruct him in the faith,

and encourage and sustain him in the fellowship of believers?

Brothers and sisters, what is your answer?

We do, God helping us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Baptism of Willem Todd Moss

Song: "Child of God"

Presentation of Quilt

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)

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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.

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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 quests are welcome to participate in this service.

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.

Prayers for the Church and World

Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 22:34-46