

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: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" LUYH 665
"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" LUYH 825

*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: "Let Justice Flow" LUYH 295

Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ♦ Organ/Piano: Donna Brue ♦ Guitar: Rob Haan
Sound: Nick Breems ♦ Video: Jason Wyenberg ♦ 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 23:11-12

The greatest among you will be your servant.
All who exalt themselves will be humbled,
and all who humble themselves will be exalted.

† 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 107:1-9, 43

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
 those he redeemed from trouble
 and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
 from the north and from the south.

**Some wandered in desert wastes,
 finding no way to an inhabited town;
 hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.**

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
 and he delivered them from their distress;

**he led them by a straight way,
 until they reached an inhabited town.**

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
 for his wonderful works to humankind.

**For he satisfies the thirsty,
 and the hungry he fills with good things.**

Let those who are wise give heed to these things,
 and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.

*Song: "Table of Plenty"

LUYH 808:1,3,4

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "Blessed Be Your Name"

LUYH 343

Renewal

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: James 1:17

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Song: "Give Thanks"

LUYH 358

Prayers for the Church and World

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.

Word

Children's Blessing: "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

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.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 23:1-12

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Message: "Our Father in Heaven and on Earth"

Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "I Surrender All"

LUYH 739

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, 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.