

*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.**

God Sends; We Go Rejoicing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LUYH 601

**1. All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
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**2. O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!**

**3. Let every tongue and every tribe on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!**

**4. Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all!**

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Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024



Genesis 11:4

Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

We Gather; God Welcomes

Welcome

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 99:1-3) p.936

The Lord is Sovereign; let the people tremble in awe.
God is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
 The Lord is great in Zion and is high above all peoples.
**Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God,
 and worship God upon the holy mountain.**

*Song: "Be Still for the Presence" LUYH 532

1. **Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.**
*Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
 In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.
 Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.*
2. **Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**
*He burns with holy fire; with splendor he is crowned.
 How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
 Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.*
3. **Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**
*He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
 No work too hard for him; in faith receive from him.
 Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.*

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*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "How Great Is Our God" LUYH 574

1. **The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;**
*let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
 He wraps himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
 and trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice.*

**Chorus: How great is our God! Sing with me: how great is our God!
 And all will see how great, how great is our God!**

2. **From age to age he stands, and time is in his hands;**
*beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
 The godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
 the lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb.*

Communion Song: "Christ, Be Our Light" LUYH 908

1. **Longing for light, we wait in darkness.**
Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. [Refrain]

**Refrain: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
 Shine through the darkness.**

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

2. **Longing for peace, our world is troubled.**

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us.

Make us your living voice. [Refrain]

3. **Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.**

Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. [Refrain]

4. **Longing for shelter, many are homeless.**

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

**Make us your building, sheltering others,
 walls made of living stone. [Refrain]**

5. **Many the gifts, many the people,
 many the hearts that yearn to belong.**

Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. [Refrain]

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Communion Song: "Jesus Is Our King" LUYH 602

**Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Opening our hearts to him,
 singing alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus is our King!**

1. **Create in us, O God, a humble heart that sets us free
 to proclaim the wondrous majesty of our Father in heaven. [Refrain]**

2. **We bear the name of Christ. Justified, we meet with Him.**

**His words and presence calm our fear,
 revealing God, our Father, here. [Refrain]**

3. **Let kindred voices join, honoring the Lamb of God,
 who teaches us by bread and wine the mystery of his body. [Refrain]**

4. **Pour out your Spirit on us, empowering us to live as one,
 to carry Your redeeming love to a world enslaved by sin. [Refrain]**

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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 available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.

Prayers for the Church and World

God Speaks; We Listen

Children's Blessing: "Christ, Be Our Light" LUYH 908 (*refrain*)
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

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Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 p.15

Message: "Making Names" Dr. Justin Bailey

God Provides; We Feast

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

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. You may partake at the table or take it back to your seats. Gluten-free bread is available on the table.

**Bridge: Name above all names, worthy of our praise;
 my heart will sing, how great is our God!**

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We Seek Jesus; God Forgives

Call to Confession: "Light a Light for Us"

Prayer of Confession

God of Transfiguration,
you meet us in the ordinary
as well as the extraordinary moments of life.
We seek you in the valleys and on the mountaintops.
Yet we admit that too often
our eyes are blind to your presence,
too often our ears are deaf to your call.
Preoccupied with ourselves,
we fail to see your work in the world.
Empower us to live in your light
and to walk in your ways
for the sake of him who is the light of the world,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness (based on II Corinthians 3:17-18) p.1797

Song: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" LUYH 730

1. I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Jesus.

*Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all;
 the night and the day are both alike.*

The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. [Refrain]

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus. [Refrain]

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