



Worship Participants

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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.

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Gathering

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!
Exult, all creation around God's throne!
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, heavenly powers!

Sing, choirs of angels!

Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!

Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your King!
Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever!

Rejoice, heavenly powers!

Sing, choirs of angels!

Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!

Rejoice, O church! Exult in glory! The risen Savior shines upon you!
Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

Rejoice, heavenly powers!

Sing, choirs of angels!

Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Amen.

*Song: "Come, People of the Risen King"

**1. Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring him praise:
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him,
where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.**

*Chorus: Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

**2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night;
come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For his perfect love will never change, and his mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. (chorus)**

**3. Come, young and old from every land – men and women of the faith;
Come, those with full or empty hands – find the riches of his grace.
Over all the world, his people sing – shore to shore we hear them call
The truth that cries through every age: "Our God is all in all!" (chorus)**

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

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

Dying, he destroyed our death. Rising, he restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

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. Gluten-free bread is available on the communion table.

Communion Songs: "Nearer, Still Nearer"

LUYH 659

"What the Lord Has Done in Me"

LUYH 800

*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: "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

LUYH 193:1,3,6

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Song of Thanksgiving: “Living Hope” (chorus only, printed in order above)

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

Word

Children’s Blessing: “He Is Lord” LUYH 227:1

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: Ephesians 2:1-10 p.1818

Message: “Graced into Creativity” Pastor Joel Kok

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

Table

The 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

*Song: “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” LUYH 224:1,2

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: “Living Hope”

1. How great the chasm that lay between us.

How high the mountain I could not climb.

In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.

**Then through the darkness Your lovingkindness
tore through the shadows of my soul.**

The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

2. Who could imagine so great a mercy?

What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

**The God of ages stepped down from glory
to wear my sin and bear my shame.**

The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.

Beautiful Savior, I’m Yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus: Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!

Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!

You have broken every chain. There’s salvation in your name.

Jesus Christ, my living hope.

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise,

your buried body began to breathe.

Out of the silence, the roaring Lion

declared the grave has no claim on me. (repeat)

Jesus, yours is the victory. (to chorus)

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Repentance & Renewal

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.