We Are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" LUYH 938

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.

Ordinary Time

June 22, 2025

Psalm 42:4

These things I remember as I pour out my soul: how I used to go with the multitude, leading the procession to the house of God, with shouts of joy and thanksgiving among the festive throng.

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

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 122:1,6-9 p.966

I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"
To give thanks to the name of the LORD.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you."
"Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers."
For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say,
"Peace be within you."
For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,
"I will seek your good."

*Song: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" LUYH 599

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "As the Deer" LUYH 503

*1. **As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.***
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

Chorus:
You alone are my strength my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield;
you alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

*2. **You're my friend and you are my brother even though you are a King.***
***I love you more than any other, so much more than anything.** (to chorus)*

*3. **I want you more than gold or silver. Only You can satisfy.***
***You alone are the real joy-giver and the apple of my eye.** (to chorus)*

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We Are Reconciled & Renewed

Call to Confession: Isaiah 65:1-5 p.1162

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" LUYH 538:4

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.
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 table.

Communion Songs: "We Will Feast"

*Chorus: **We will feast in the house of Zion.***
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

*1. **We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord our God.***
We are not consumed by the flood; up-held, protected, gathered up.

*2. **In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid;***
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

*3. **Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the Faithful one;***
And from the garden to the grace, bind us together, bring shalom.

"Eat this Bread" LUYH 818

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.
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.

Song of Assurance: "Your Mercy is More"

1. ***What love could remember no wrongs we have done?***
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

2. ***What patience would wait as we constantly roam?***
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

Chorus: ***Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.***
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many; his mercy is more.

3. ***What riches of kindness He lavished on us.***
His blood was the payment; his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

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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 to Us through His Word

Children In Worship Dismissal: "Be Still, for the Presence" LUYH 532:1

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children and can gather in the fellowship hall with the helpers. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalms 42-43 p.881

Message: "The Rock and the Remembrance" Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "Goodness of God"

1. I love You Lord. Oh Your mercy never fails me.
All my days I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Chorus:
All my life You have been faithful. All my life You have been so so good.
With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God.

2. I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night you are close like no other.
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God. *(to chorus)*

Bridge: ***Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. (x2)***
With my life laid down, I surrender now; I give you everything.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.

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God Meets Us at the Table

Trinitarian Invocation

Is the Father with us? **The Father is with us!**
Is Christ among us? **Christ is among us!**
Is the Spirit here? **The Spirit is here!**
This is our God: **Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**
We are God's people. **We are redeemed.**