Communion Song: “Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus” LUYH 796
“What the Lord Has Done in Me” LUYH 800

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Are Sent with God’s Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LUYH 936

Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ✦ Organ/Piano: Donna Brue
Sound: Nick Breems ✦ Video: James Rylaarsdam ✦ 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.

Ordinary Time

August 3, 2025

Colossians 3:1-3

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

†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 (based on Colossians 3:1-4) p.1834

*Song: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" LUYH 579:1,2,4

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "We Will Extol You, God and King" LUYH 562:1,3,4

We Are Reconciled & Renewed

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: Colossians 3:12-14 p.1834

Song of Thanksgiving: "For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free" LUYH 679:2-3

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: "We Long to See You (Psalm 24)"

Almighty God, we long to see You.
Open our hearts and make them pure.
Spirit, we wash our hands in mercy;
come teach our souls to love Your truth.

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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: Colossians 3:1-17 p.1834

Message: "New Life and New Clothes" Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"
LUYH 802:1,2 (alternate text)

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.**

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.