

Covenant Community Church



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 6, 2022

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.

People: Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.

Leader: We respond with our whole heart, singing God's praise and giving thanks.

People: In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.

*Confession

Call to Confession

Let us turn to the most holy one and confess our sin, confident in God's faithful and steadfast love for us.

Prayer of Confession

**God of the universe and Creator of all that is, we admit that we fail to be honest about our lives and in the politics of life. Sometimes we are deceitful; other times we judge ourselves harshly and feel unworthy of your call on our lives. Touch us with your grace and dispel our fear, that we may arise with renewed spirits to serve you, our true Sovereign.
Amen**

Declaration of Forgiveness

The promise is this: God is faithful and steadfast, eager to forgive our sin and welcome us home. Grateful for this promise of joy and of peace. In Christ's death and resurrection, we have been saved. Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn #512

Come, Celebrate the Presence of the Lord

Come, celebrate the presence of the Lord
whose Holy Spirit draws us all together.
One faith, one Lord, our hope has been restored
as gifts of love upon us have been poured.
Come, celebrate the presence of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the goodness of the Lord
whose strong and loving arms are all put around us.
Held in God's care who hears our every prayer
and lifts us up to glory from despair.
Come, celebrate the goodness of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the mercy of the Lord
whose every lasting covenant is given.
Sin quarantined but God has intervened
in Jesus' name we now have been redeemed.
Come, celebrate the mercy of the Lord.

Come, celebrate the glory of the Lord
whose kingdom is beyond our understanding.
Witness the show'r of blessing and of pow'r,
for God is present with us in this hour.
Come, celebrate the glory of the Lord.

*Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

*Scripture

I Corinthians 15:1-11

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

*Hymn #356

As the East is From the West

As the east is from the west -- so far has he removed
our transgressions from us: al-le-lu-ia. (repeat)
Mercy high as the sky -- reaching deep as the sea.
As the east is from the west -- so far has he removed
our transgressions from us: al-le-lu-ia.

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offering Response

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And his righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you,
Allelu, alleluia.*

Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn #572

Let Us Break Bread Together

Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: ... Send us, in your marvelous light, into the world, ready to serve others and work for peace.

ALL: Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and
forever. Amen.**

Leader: We pray in the triune name of God. Amen

Leader: We join our voices with saints and angels and all the faithful of every time and place, singing,

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth
are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: Bread of heaven, Cup of salvation. Resurrection and life.

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

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn #8

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed:

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
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how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: (Chorus)

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin: (Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim,
“My God, how great thou art.” (Chorus)

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.*

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:
Music Leader:
Scripture Reader:

Rev. Jeannette Conver
Peter Olson
Josy Moore

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 New Living Translation

Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, of the Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then, and you still stand firm in it. ²It is this Good News that saves you if you continue to believe the message I told you—unless, of course, you believed something that was never true in the first place.

³I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. ⁴He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. ⁵He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve. ⁶After that, he was seen by more than 500 of his followers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as though I had been born at the wrong time, I also saw him. ⁹For I am the least of all the apostles. In fact, I'm not even worthy to be called an apostle after the way I persecuted God's church.

¹⁰But whatever I am now, it is all because God poured out his special favor on me—and not without results. For I have worked harder than any of the other apostles; yet it was not I but God who was working through me by his grace. ¹¹So it makes no difference whether I preach or they preach, for we all preach the same message you have already believed.

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