

Covenant Community Church



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 2022

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Love the Lord your God,

People: With all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!

Leader: Love your neighbor as yourself,

People: With all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind!

Leader: Do this and you will live!

People: Let us worship God!

*Confession

Call to Confession

The psalmist asks a question: how long? How long will we live unjustly and show partiality, instead of loving as God has loved us? Trusting in that love, let us confess our transgressions to the Lord.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we are your daughters and sons, descendants of the God most high, yet we do not behave to honor you and our actions belittle the love you have for us. We do not defend the weak or those without fathers or mothers. We do not uphold the poor or the oppressed. We do not commit to efforts to rescue the weak and the needy; we sometimes deliver them into solitude and neglect.

Rise up to judge us, O God. We prefer your merciful justice, than living with guilt and fear. Straighten our path so that we can be guided as a mother or a father guides beloved children. Amen

Declaration of Forgiveness

The triune God's unconditional love does not seek appearances or conditions, but loves in such a way, that we are restored to health and to wholeness. Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn #579

The Church's One Foundation

*Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

*Scripture

Genesis 11:1-9

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

Sermon

'The Wrong Kind of Independence'

We Respond

Interlude

*Hymn #87

Children of the Heavenly Father

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia.*

Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn #375

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

*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!

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Guest Speaker:

Lynn Conver

Music Leader:

Peter Olson

Scripture Reader:

Grace Wakeman

Genesis 11:1-9 New Living Translation

At one time all the people of the world spoke the same language and used the same words. ² As the people migrated to the east, they found a plain in the land of Babylonia and settled there.

³ They began saying to each other, "Let's make bricks and harden them with fire." (In this region bricks were used instead of stone, and tar was used for mortar.) ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let's build a great city for ourselves with a tower that reaches into the sky. This will make us famous and keep us from being scattered all over the world."

⁵ But the LORD came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ "Look!" he said. "The people are united, and they all speak the same language. After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them! ⁷ Come, let's go down and confuse the people with different languages. Then they won't be able to understand each other."

⁸ In that way, the LORD scattered them all over the world, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why the city was called Babel, because that is where the LORD confused the people with different languages. In this way he scattered them all over the world.

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