



COVENANT GRACE
C O L U M B I A

March 31st 2024

Liturgy

Call to Worship

God gathers his people to care for them and receive their worship.

Revelation 1:12-18 - I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵ his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. ¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward
bends each burning eye
At mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly
anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as
thy matchless King
Through all eternity

O that with yonder sacred
throng we at his feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
And crown Him Lord
And crown Him Lord of all

The Law of God

God requires righteousness of all people.

Deuteronomy 6:4–9, 12-15 - Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Confession of Sin

God's people acknowledge their sin before Him.

O God the Father of heaven, have mercy upon us.
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us. Be merciful to us and spare us, O Lord. Be merciful to us and deliver us, O Lord. From all sin, from all error, from all evil—deliver us, O Lord. From the wiles of the devil and from everlasting death—deliver us, O Lord. Lord Jesus, by the mystery of your holy incarnation, by your holy nativity, by your baptism, fasting, and temptations—deliver us, O Lord. By your agony and bloody sweat, by your cross and passions, by your death and burial, by your resurrection and ascension, by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter— deliver us, O Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God shows his people mercy and grace in Jesus Christ

Romans 4:24– 25,2 -24 Faith will be counted to us as righteousness, we who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

It Is Finished

There's no deed
that can redeem us
There's no right nor magic word
Only by the work of Jesus
Can salvation be secured

It is finished, he has done it
Let your weary heart rejoice
Our redemption is accomplished
Raise a shout with ragged voice
And go bravely into battle
Knowing He has won the war
It is finished lift your head
And weep no more

There's no sacrifice to offer
There's no penance to complete
Freely drink living water
Without money come and rest

Let every sinner rejoice
Hear the dying Victor's cry
Raise up your voice
Sing it out through earth and sky

He Is Worthy

Do you feel the world is broken We do	Does the Father truly love us He does
Do you feel the shadows deepen We do	Does the Spirit move among us He does
But do you know that all the dark Won't stop the light from getting through We do	And does Jesus our Messiah Hold forever those He loves He does
Do you wish that you could see it all made new We do	Does our God intend to dwell again with us He does
Is all creation groaning It is	Is anyone worthy Is anyone whole
Is a new creation coming It is	Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
Is the glory of the Lord To be the light within our midst It is	He is David's Root And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this It is	From ev'ry people and tribe every nation and tongue He has made us a kingdom and priests
Is anyone worthy Is anyone whole	To God to reign with the Son Is He worthy Is He worthy
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave He is David's Root And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave	Of all blessing and honor and glory Is He worthy Is He worthy Is He worthy of this He is
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Prayer

After the Pastor leads us in prayer for our church and community, pray together as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Sermon

God proclaims His word to His people.

Apostle's Creed

God's people confess the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,
His only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

AMEN.

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Come behold
the wondrous myst'ry
In the dawning of the King
He the theme
of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ
who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold
the wondrous myst'ry
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save
the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand

Come behold
the wondrous myst'ry
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold
the wondrous myst'ry
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave
could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliv'rance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

The Lord's Supper

God gives his people the sign of their New Covenant union with Christ.

Doxology

God's people praise Him in light of all they have received.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Benediction

God sends His people out with His blessing.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal encouragement and good hope by grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good work and word.