

Preparing Your Heart for Worship

October 4, 2026

Lord God, of might inconceivable,
Of glory incomprehensible,
Of mercy immeasurable,
Of goodness ineffable;

O Master, look down upon us in your tender love,
And show forth, toward us and those who pray with us,
Your rich mercies and compassions. Amen.

—John Chrysostom

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Romans

Pastor: First of all, I thank my God through Christ for all of you because of your faith in Jesus Christ.

Congregation: We are not ashamed of the Gospel; it is the power of God for salvation.

Pastor: The wrath of God is revealed from heaven against our ungodliness and unrighteousness.

Congregation: All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Pastor: And are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus!

Together: For we are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord!

HYMNS OF PRAISE

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

“Here I Am to Worship”

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus:
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor (Chorus)

Bridge:
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
(Chorus 2x)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Because Jesus Christ died in your place,
for your sins, you are forgiven.

People: Hallelujah! Praise God!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Children ages 3 through 4th grade dismiss with their
teachers for Sunday school. They will return at the
end of the service.*

OFFERTORY

*Prayer cards are located in the pews. If you'd like our
prayer team to pray for you, please fill out a card and
drop it in the offering plate.*

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HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“He Will Keep You (Psalm 121)”

I lift my eyes and see
I need not be afraid
All my help comes from the Lord
Who the earth and sky has made

He will keep you from all evils
Behind you and before
He will sustain you, through this journey
From now and evermore

The Lord will never sleep
My steps He has ordained
For the One who holds the night
Is the Sovereign of my days

He will keep you from all evils
Behind you and before
He will sustain you, through this journey
From now and evermore
(Repeat 2x)

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SERMON TEXT

Ephesians 3:20–21

20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Romans 1:1-6

1 Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, 2 which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, 3 concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh 4 and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, 5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, 6 including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: “Abundantly More: So That Many Would Know Jesus”

Ephesians 3:20–21, Romans 1:1–6.

Rev. Dr. Alec Flynt

Ephesians 3:8-10

8 To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, 10 so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.”

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Non-alcoholic wine will be served during communion.
For those who need it, gluten free bread is available on
the small table as you come up. Take a piece and
continue through the line.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

Q1. What is your only comfort in life and death?

**A. That I am not my own,
but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death,
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins
with his precious blood,
and has set me free
from all the power of the devil.
He also preserves me in such a way
that without the will of my heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, all things must work together
for my salvation.
Therefore, by his Holy Spirit
he also assures me
of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready
from now on to live for him.**

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Good and Gracious King”

I approach the throne of glory
Nothing in my hands, I bring
But the promise of acceptance
From a good and gracious King

I will give to You my burden
As You give to me Your strength
Come and fill me with Your Spirit
As I sing to You this praise

You deserve the greater glory
Overcome, I lift my voice
To the King in need of nothing
Empty-handed I rejoice
You deserve the greater glory
Overcome with joy, I sing
By Your love I am accepted
You’re a good and gracious King

O what grace that You would see me
As Your child and as Your friend
Safe, secure in You forever
I pour out my praise again

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To the King in need of nothing
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You deserve the greater glory
Overcome with joy, I sing
By Your love I am accepted
You're a good and gracious King

Holy, holy, Lord Almighty
Good and gracious
Good and gracious
Holy, holy, Lord Almighty
Good and gracious King (Repeat)

You deserve the greater glory
Overcome, I lift my voice
To the King in need of nothing
Empty-handed I rejoice
You deserve the greater glory
Overcome with joy, I sing
By Your love I am accepted
You're a good and gracious King
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“King of Kings”

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus:

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

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And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Chorus

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.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Amen, Amen, Amen.

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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, October 4th –

Youth Group, 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 6th –

Ladies' Hebrews Study, 9:00 a.m.

Crichton Table, 11:00-12:30

Wednesday, October 7th –

Community Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

CovBoys Bible Club, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Young Adults @ the Woods, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (6 Spring Bank Rd. North)

Thursday, October 8th –

Men's Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Ladies' Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 9th –

New Mom's Brunch, 9:30 a.m. (1856 Hunter Avenue)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mercy Missions Highlight – Home of Grace for Women is a local, Christian-based ministry whose mission is to empower women in their recovery from addiction. If you have questions or want to get involved, reach out to the Diaconate.

New Life Mom's Brainstorm & Brunch – New Moms, join us this Friday at 9:30 at Rachel's house (1856 Hunter Ave). Bring your little ones!

ABUNDANTLY MORE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Details & Dates to Remember:

Today is Launch Day! Packets include our campaign booklets, prayer book, and pledge cards. Be sure to visit Fellowship Hall after worship to pick up your packet.

Come October 11th or 18th – This informational meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Choose one of these meetings to attend and find out more information about the building campaign at Covenant. Childcare will be offered for ages five and under.

November 1st is Commitment Sunday! Bring your pledge card and come to worship at either the 9:00 or 11:00 service.

Groundbreaking Celebration – Join us for one service at 10:00 on Sunday, November 15th. We will break ground for our facilities project, worship together outside, and enjoy lunch afterwards.