

Loving the Triune God, Loving our Neighbors, Transforming the Fallen World

LORD'S DAY SERVICE Epiphany III 21 January 2024



Welcome to Reformation Covenant Church

We are glad to have you visit us. If this is your first time visiting, here are some helpful things to know:

Worship Service. Our weekly service follows a responsive pattern of worship found in Scripture as a dialogue or conversation between the Lord and His people. Here God meets with us, speaks to us, and blesses us; we speak and respond back to Him in praise, thanksgiving, and renewed commitment.

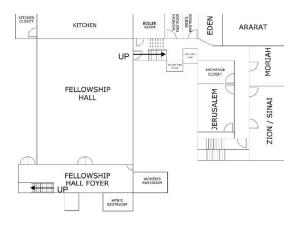
Communion. Each week at RCC we celebrate the Lord's Supper, receiving bread and wine as covenantal tokens of Jesus' body and blood. Christians – young or old – who are baptized, and are in good standing in Christ, are invited to partake. To facilitate Communion distribution, we encourage a representative of each household or group to come forward using the outer aisles to receive the Communion elements. Gluten-free bread is available as the smaller loaf on the distribution plate.

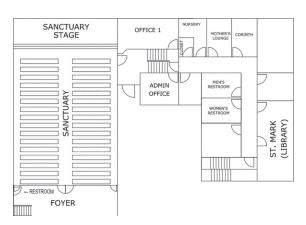
Nursery. We love having children involved in the whole service. Please don't worry if someone with you is wiggly – we are glad to have you all worshipping with us! During the sermon, the nursery room is available for children three and under. There is a Nursing Mother's room located adjacent to our Nursery, if you feel you need quiet or privacy. A video feed of the service can be viewed here, as well as in the Fellowship Hall below the sanctuary.

Restrooms. Restrooms are located down the stairs from the Foyer and in the educational wing.

Weekly Meal. Every week RCC hosts a weekly Agape meal after the service (served as a potluck). We always have plenty of food, and would love for you to join us for fellowship after worship!

Contact. If you would like us to contact you this week, please leave your name, phone number, and/or email on a visitor card, and give it to one of our Greeters, Deacons, or Elders.





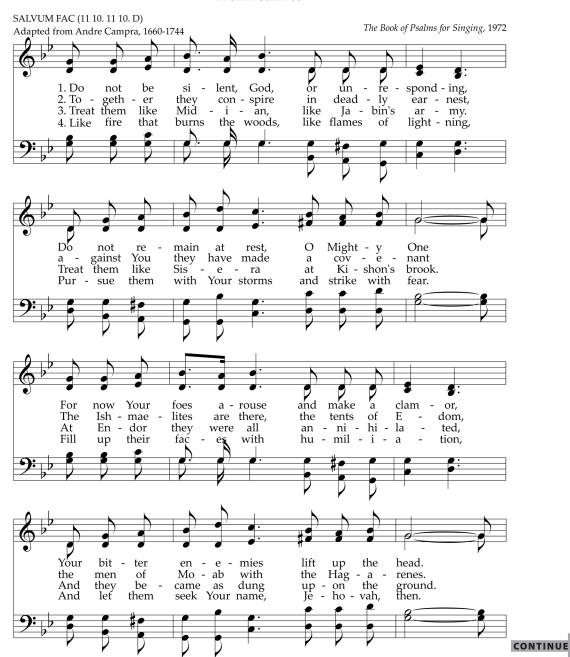


Call to Worship - The Lord calls us before his presence

The people shall rise.

Do Not Be Silent, God

From Psalm 83









Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

All: Amen!

The LORD be with you!

And also with you!

Arise, shine; for your light has come!

And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people;

But the Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you.

The Gentiles shall come to your light,

And kings to the brightness of your rising.

Confession of Sin - The Lord Cleanses us in Christ

Beloved, in the early Church there was a godly discipline, that those who stood convicted of notorious sin were put to public repentance, that their souls might be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus; and that others, admonished by their example, might be the more cautious to offend.

Such discipline is sadly lacking in our day, and until it is restored again, (which is much to be desired), we think it good at this time to read the general sentences of God's judgments against unrepentant sinners, gathered out of the twenty-seventh chapter of Deuteronomy. Just as the congregation was to express their agreement with the justice of God by answering, "Amen," so too we should answer to every sentence, "Amen." This is to the intent, that being admonished of the great wrath of God and the jealousy with which He guards His own name, we might be moved to sincere love and true repentance, walking more warily in these days, fleeing from such vices which we affirm with our own mouths the judgment of God to be due.

"'Cursed be the man who makes a carved or cast metal image, an abomination to the LORD and sets it up in secret [to worship it].' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who dishonors his father or his mother.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who moves his neighbor's landmark.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who misleads a blind man.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who lies with his father's wife.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who lies with any kind of animal.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who lies with his sister.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who strikes down his neighbor in secret.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who takes a bribe to shed innocent blood.' 'Amen.'

"'Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.' 'Amen.'

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. Amen.



The apostle goes on to say, "Such were some of you, but you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Corinthians 6:9–11)

The Lord sets such great hope before us, that we who do err and have strayed from the commandments of God may escape His wrath and be purified, sanctified, and justified. Therefore, let us return to the Lord our God with all contrition and meekness of heart, lamenting our sinful life, acknowledging and confessing our own offenses and the sins of our nation, seeking His cleansing so that we might bring forth fruits worthy of repentance.

For though we have sinned, "we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked" (1 John 2:1–6).

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us, who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree. For He was wounded for our transgressions and smitten for our wickedness. Therefore, let us return unto Him, who is the merciful receiver of all true penitent sinners, being assured of His promise that He is ready to receive us and most willing to pardon us, as we come to Him in faithful repentance, if we will take His easy yoke and light burden upon us, following Him in lowliness, patience, and charity, and being governed by His Word and His Holy Spirit, seeking always His glory, while duly serving Him in our various callings with thanksgiving.

We are confident that Jesus indeed delivers us from the wrath of God and from the curse which will fall upon those who will be set on His left hand; and He will set us on His right hand and give us the gracious blessing of His Father, summoning us to take possession of His glorious Kingdom, unto which He promises to bring us all, by His infinite mercy. **Amen**.

Let us pray together:

We confess to Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and before all the company of heaven, that we have sinned, in thought, word and deed, through our fault, our own fault, our own most grievous fault; wherefore, we pray Almighty God to have mercy upon us, to forgive us all our sins, and to make clean our heart. Vindicate us from our enemies. For we pray in the Father's love, pleading the shed blood of Christ His Son, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Though our sins do stand against us, the punishment for them has been taken away in the finished sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ, for, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus." And, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Therefore, to all those who recognize and confess that they are justly deserving of God's condemnation and without hope except in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, being constrained to rest and rely on Him alone for salvation: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for your sins and to be raised for your justification; and for His sake forgives you all your sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

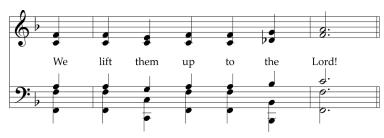




Consecration and Ascension - The Lord Brings us into the Heavenlies

Sursum Corda

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

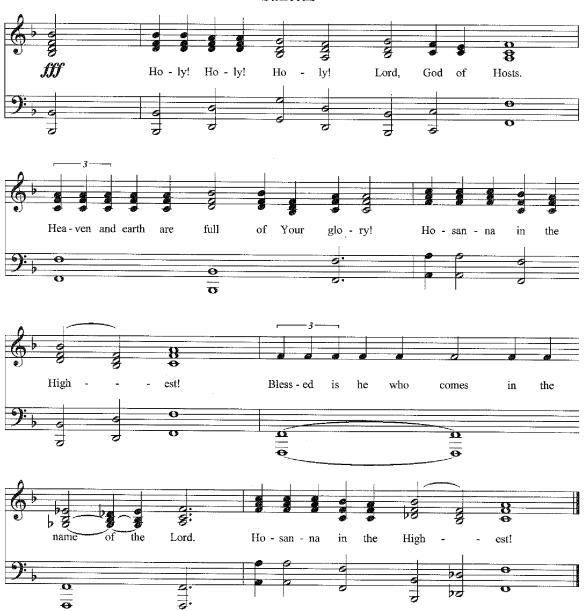


Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.





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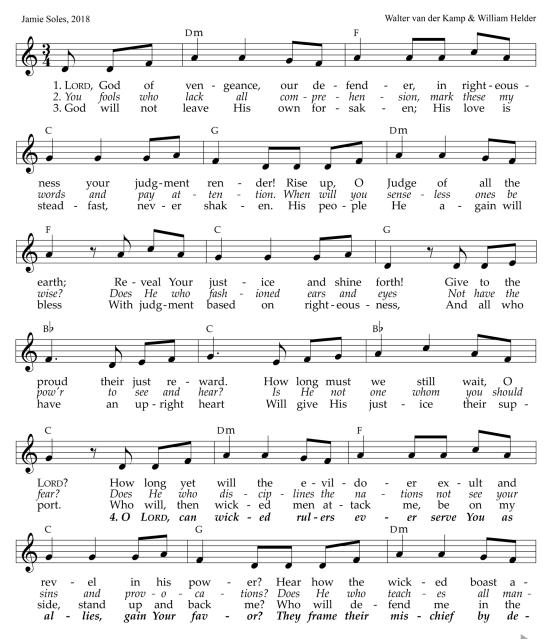




Song of Praise

LORD, God of Vengeance, Our Defender

From Psalm 94









The Psalm

The people shall sit

Psalm 146





1. Praise | the LORD!

Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

2. I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

3. Put not your trust in | princes,

In a son of man, in whom there is no sal- | vation.

- 4. When his breath departs he returns | to the earth;
 - On that very day his plans | perish.
- 5. Blessed is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,

Whose hope is in the | LORD his God.

- 6. Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is | in them,
 - Who keeps faith for- | ever.
- 7. Who executes justice for | the oppressed,

Who gives food to the | hungry.

8. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the | righteous.

- 9. The LORD watches over the sojourners; He upholds the widow and the | fatherless, But the way of the wicked He brings to | ruin.
- 10. The LORD will reign for- | ever,

Your God, O Zion, to all generations. | Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

And to the Holy | Spirit

As it was in the be- | ginning,

Is now, and will be forever. | Amen



Sermon Series: The Gospel of Luke

Sermon Title: King of Jubilee Bo Cogbill

Proclamation of the Word

The people shall rise
OT Reading: Leviticus 25:8–12

NT Reading: Luke 4:16-30

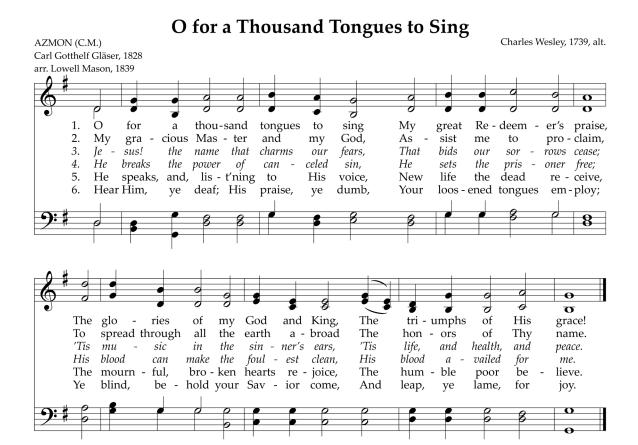
This is the word of the LORD Thanks be to God!

The people shall sit



Response to God's Word - Tribute Offerings

The people shall bring their tithes and offerings.





The Great Prayer for Vindication and Malediction

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Dearly beloved, our Lord Jesus Christ has assured us that His Church is built upon Himself, the Cornerstone, and that the gates of hell shall never prevail against it. To His Church He has committed the Keys of the Kingdom, saying "Whatever you shall bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven" (Matthew 18:18).

In the book of Revelation, the overseers of the Church are called angels of the churches, and in the eighth chapter, these messengers are shown blowing trumpets of the Word of God. As office-bearers proclaim the Word of God, signified by these trumpets, and as the people of God pray for salvation, signified by incense that ascends to heaven, God answers their prayers and pours out His judgments upon His and their enemies, thereby bringing deliverance and rest to His people.

Today, with our sister Churches across the land, as a kingdom of priests, the Elders bring before our Lord the many men and women in this country who annually participate in the murder of hundreds of thousands of pre-born infants through the heinous sin of abortion. We ask you to join us in praying that God will cause this sin to cease from our land and that He will deliver men, women, and children from being either perpetrators or victims in this evil practice. We beseech our Lord to turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the children to their fathers; we pray that He will stop the mouth of that old dragon, Satan, and pour out His wrath and Righteous Judgment upon all those who insist on perpetuating this sinful act. We ask these things to the end that the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ may come in power and be manifest on the earth, that the kingdom of the devil would be diminished and destroyed, and that those suffering under the mighty hand of God would turn to Him in repentance and faith and receive forgiveness for their sins.

Let us pray:

Almighty and most awesome God, Judge of all men, living and dead, we confess to you the sins of our nation, especially the awful sin of abortion. Both we and our fathers have sinned grievously in this, and by our selfishness and apathy, we have enabled this evil to persist. We bring before You the many men and women who have murdered millions of pre-born infants and who have attacked Your integrity by denying Your image in man. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We beseech You, O Lord, to turn the hearts of both fathers and mothers to their children, and we implore You to intervene, stop this sinful practice, and spare these little ones, Your creatures, whom You have made for Your own glory. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all who stubbornly and purposefully resist Your word, we pray that You will send Your temporal judgments upon them and all in alliance with them. We ask You, O Lord, to pour out Your chastisements upon them, either bringing them to repentance or making them impotent in their desires, so that this awful butchery might forever cease in this land, so that the devil would be cast down, and so that Your Church may further realize the advancement of Your Kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

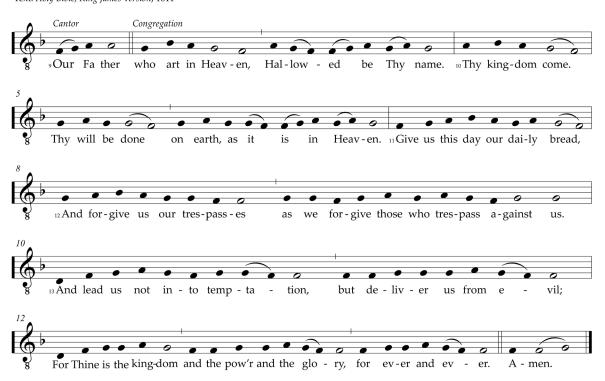


O God, we ask that You would, through this judgment, bring those ordained unto everlasting life to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, and we pray You will grant us to be Your instruments in their salvation. We ask You to visibly and swiftly vindicate Your own Name, the righteousness of Your holy law, and the government of Your only Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we do not pray this prayer out of malice or self-interest, but rather for your glory, the preservation of Your Church, and the extension of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end and who taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

Music: Traditional, very ancient Text: *Holy Bible, King James Version*, 1611





Communion - The Lord dines with us at His Table

Preparation for Communion

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust in Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized, and are in good standing in the Church of Jesus Christ are welcome at His table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.

Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

The people shall rise.

Leader: Christian, in whom do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the virgin, Mary;

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into Hades;

The third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting.

Amen.



The people shall come forward to receive the bread and wine and return to their seats, and we will all partake together.

Behold a Host, Arrayed in White





Commission - The Lord sends us out to do His will with His blessing

This Little Babe





Benediction and Recessional

Nunc Dimittis



You are invited to join us in the fellowship hall after the service for our weekly Agape Feast.



Service

Next Week's Sermon: "King of Jubilee: The Kingdom and the Power" Brittain Brewer

Nursery: Jessica & Jessa

Next Week: Rhiannon & Ava
Greeters: Joan & Robert

Next Week: Eric & Donna

Usher: Stella Next Week: Sally

Ed Wing Monitor: Jordan Edmonds Next Week: Susan Dunne Safety Contacts: Dylan & Abel Next Week: Tim & Brenton

Agape

Agape Set Up: Carolyn Keeton Next Week: Autumn Edmonds

Agape Cleanup: B&P Evans, C&S Fukuda, K&S Hangartner, DeWitt, T. Dahlin, Reynolds, Sedano, Elton Next Week: K&L Poindexter, Adams, D&K Forster, P. Forster, Cools, Alvarado, H&V Lortz, Colas, Cambridge

Dishwasher Today: Group 1

Next Week: Group 2

Families

Expectant Mothers: Susannah Mahar (due 02/17), Kerilynn Wilson (due 02/24), Heidi Brown (due 03/24), Rhiannon Hayes (due 04/24), Lauren Fan (due 06/07)

New Mothers: Catie Poindexter, Sarah Cools

New Members: Lewis Cools, Wayne, Dean, Quinn, & Grahmn Elton

Newlywed: Tyler Cone & Courtney Urban

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Next Week

Thursday, February 1: Stella Haehlen-Tuuri

This Week

Monday, January 22: Grahmn Elton

Tuesday, January 22: Ian Nolder

Wednesday, January 24: Brenda Kulbe

January 24: Joshua Evans

Saturday, January 27: Jaylie Brooks

January 27: Marcus Spears



Upcoming Events:

Sunday, January 21:

Q&A for Deacon candidate Jordan Edmonds in the sanctuary at 1:30 PM.

Monday, January 22:

YABS will meet at RCC at 6:30 PM.

Watchmen will meet at RCC at 7:30 PM.

Sunday, January 28:

Q&A for Deacon candidate Jordan Edmonds in the sanctuary at 1:30 PM.

Friday, February 2:

The Men's Bible Study will meet at RCC at 6 AM, continuing the study on Colossians.

Saturday, February 3

At 10 AM there will be a baby shower for Kerilynn Wilson and Susannah Mahar at C&S Fukuda's house.

Sunday, February 4:

The Mcloughlin Place Music Ministry will meet at 2 PM.

February 23-24:

Women Encouraged! For registration and more details see the flyer or the Realm event.

March 15-16:

Let Joy Resound Music Camp & Conference with Jarrod Richey. Registration opening soon!

July 7-11:

Christ Church Santa Clarita will be hosting Summer Sanctus, a camp for 7-12th graders.

Community Groups:

Sundays:

Brittain Brewer. Meets every other Sunday 4:30 PM (D&K Forster) South OC

Tuesdays:

Daniel Wilson. Tuesdays at 5:30 PM (Rotating) OC

Jordan Edmonds. Tuesdays at 6 PM (Cogbill/Edmonds) OC

Michael Lortz. Tuesdays at 6 PM (Lortz) OC

Thursdays:

Jon & Kenny Hangartner. Thursdays at 5:30 PM (Hangartner/Hangartner) OC

Peter Mahar. Thursdays at 5:30 PM (Mahar) Gladstone

Matt Dau. Thursdays at 5:30 PM (Dau) OC (East)

Brenton Ashworth. Every other Thursday at 5:30 PM (Ashworth) South OC/Canby

Fridays:

Bert Coombs. Fridays at 5:45 PM (B. Hangartner/Nolder) OC

Contact the elders if you would like to join a community group!

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TICKET INCLUDES: FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER, SATURDAY BRUNCH, KEYNOTE SESSIONS & MORE!

ONLINE REGISTRATION:

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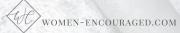




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