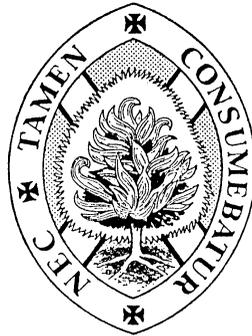


LORD'S DAY
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to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure
all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

Welcome and Silent Prayer

Holy and loving God, as we worship you today, we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us, to help us become more holy and more loving. In a world that does not understand repentance, we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 99.1-3

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 100

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

O Lord, what evil have we not done? Or if there is evil that we have not done, what evil is there that we have not spoken? Or if there is any evil that we have not spoken, what evil is there that we have not thought to do? But you, O Lord, are good. You are merciful. You saw how deep we were sunk in death, and it was your power that drained dry the well of corruption in the depths of our hearts. All that you have asked of us was to deny our own wills and accept yours. Forgive us for every failure to do so, and help us to follow you in every way and always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

— Adapted from Augustine's *Confessions*

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

*Song of Faith in Christ

Across the Lands

words Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
 music Keith Getty and Stuart Townend: arr. Ruth Coleman
 CCLI #2415226



1.You're the Word of God the Fa-ther from be-fore the world be-gan; Ev-'ry
 2.Yet You left the gaze of an-gels, came to seek and save the lost, And ex-
 3.With a shout You rose vic-to-rious, wrest-ing vic-t'ry from the grave, And as-



star and ev-'ry plan-et__ has been fash-ioned by Your hand. All cre-a-tion holds to-
 changed the joy of Heav-en__ for the an-guish of a cross With a prayer You fed the
 cend-ed in-to Heav-en, lead-ing cap-tives in Your way. Now You stand be-fore the



geth-er by the pow-er of Your voice. Let the skies de-clare Your
 hun-gry, with a word You calmed the sea; Yet how si-lent-ly You
 Fa-ther, in-ter-ced-ing for Your own; From each tribe and tongue and



glo-ry;__ let the land and seas re-joice.
 suf-fered, that the guilt-y may go free. You're the au-thor of cre-a-tion, You're the
 na-tion__ You are lead-ing sin-ners home.



Lord of ev-'ry man, and Your cry of love rings out a-cross the lands._____

***Confession of Faith**

What does the law of God require?

Personal, perfect, and perpetual obedience; that we love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love our neighbor as ourselves. What God forbids should never be done and what God commands should always be done.¹

—The New City Catechism, No. 7

Prayer for the Church and the World

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

Revelation 2.18-29

Sermon

“A Call to Holiness”
Rev. Ron Gonzales

***Song of Response**

Hymn No. 335

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, DWELL WITH ME

¹ And [Jesus] said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets” (Mt 22.37-40).

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

*DOXOLOGY

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. Amen.

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-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner rings of each tray; grape juice in the outer ring. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians who are living under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you the following prayers for your use during this time.

A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

A Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false pleasure to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

***Song of Thanksgiving**

Hymn No. 308

JESUS PAID IT ALL

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

***Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13.14

Postlude

*Please stand if able

Our Nursery Helpers

Today: Emily Leinweber

Next Week: Nicole Miller

Gatherings

A Children's Catechism Class, taught by Ronnie Curfman and Pastor Ron, meets the first and third Thursdays of each month, during the school year, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, at the church.

The Tuesday Night Home Fellowship Group, led by Eric Carpenter and Pastor Ron, meets at Kathy Martin's (213 Chapra St) on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They are studying Revelation, considering each passage before it is preached. All are welcome.

A Men's Leadership Bible Study, led by Kirk Alden, meets at Tate's Umapine Mercantile on Tuesdays, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. All men are invited. For more information, talk to Kirk.

The Men's Group is taking this week off. It will resume its study of Joshua on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00 AM in the chapel. All men are invited.

Prayer Meeting: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the chapel, to pray for one another, the kingdom, and our world. Please join us.

The Women's Study, led by Cherry Gonzales and Christina McBean, meets Thursdays, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, in the chapel. The group is studying 1 Peter and all are invited.

Sermon Notes: "A Call to Holiness" (Revelation 2.18-29)

Prayer Concerns

Mike Givens is still at Regency at the Park but making tremendous progress. Pray that he is soon able to go home and for protection from further injuries.

Chris & Mary Granberry (White Swan): Pray for the Granberrys and the Sacred Road team as they share the gospel with the Yakama people, that their words and deeds bring hope and healing to many on the reservation.

Tom Manning: Pray the course of treatment Tom has chosen for his lymphoma proves effective and that he knows God's presence and is strengthened in his grace each day.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church: Pray for Rev. Jeff Glover, our church planter in Soldotna AK, that God strengthens him and blesses his labors as he gives himself to the community and to the church he is planting.

Announcements

Birthdays this Week:

February 19	Ena Crow
February 19	Nicole Miller

Supper & Singing: The Schroeders will be hosting a light supper and Psalm/Hymn Sing on Sunday, March 1 (postponed two weeks because of illness). Dinner will be at 5:30, followed by singing at 6:30. Side dishes or desserts are welcome but not required. Soup and bread will be provided.

Visitors: Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and hope you will join us after the service for some refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Explanation of Cover Symbol

Since the time of the Reformation, the burning bush has been a symbol of the Church. The Latin words are taken from Exodus 3.2 and read "...and yet it was not consumed." In one of his letters, Samuel Rutherford reminded his correspondent, "The bush has been burning these five thousand years, and no man yet saw the ashes of that fire."