

Covenant Church

Morning Worship — August 2, 2026

Welcome

Rev. Brooks Pipher

Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-3

***Sing: Psalter #175**

***Invocation**

***Confession of Faith (Unison)**

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Congregation: That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

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We're very glad to worship with you this morning. Covenant Church is a church *on mission* by **Prayer, Worship, and Love for Our City**, while rejoicing and resting in God — to his glory.

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Evening Worship

Tonight, 6:00 PM

First Thursdays Youth Group

Middle & High School Students

This Thursday, August 6, 6 – 7:30 PM

160 S. Victory Blvd., Burbank

Day of Prayer and Fasting

This Friday, August 7

6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

160 S. Victory Blvd., Burbank

Dinner Fellowship

This Saturday, August 8, 4:00 PM +

McCambridge Park Burbank

1515 N. Glenoaks Blvd., Burbank

Service Opportunity – College Student Essentials Drive

Sunday, August 23

11:15AM, *After Morning Worship*

160 S. Victory Blvd., Burbank



Membership Sunday

Saturday, August 30

**Congregation standing, if able*

GOD CLEANSSES US

Confession of Sin (*Unison*)

Psalm 51:1-4 (ESV)

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

*Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:8-12 (ESV)

⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

*Sing: Hymn #708, *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

(Children Come Forward on Last Stanza)

Children's Message

GOD CONSECRATES US

Worship of God with Tithes & Offerings

*Sing: Hymn #731, *The Doxology*

Pastoral Prayer (& 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.*

Reading of Scripture

Deuteronomy 16:21 – 17:13 (ESV)

²¹ “You shall not plant any tree as an Asherah beside the altar of the LORD your God that you shall make. ²² And you shall not set up a pillar, which the LORD your God hates.

17 “You shall not sacrifice to the LORD your God an ox or a sheep in which is a blemish, any defect whatever, for that is an abomination to the LORD your God.

² “If there is found among you, within any of your towns that the LORD your God is giving you, a man or woman who does what is evil in the sight of the LORD your God, in transgressing his covenant, ³ and has gone and served other gods and worshiped them, or the sun or the moon or any of the host of heaven, which I have forbidden, ⁴ and it is told you and you hear of it, then you shall inquire diligently, and if it is true and certain that such an abomination has been done in Israel, ⁵ then you shall bring out to your gates that man or woman who has done this evil thing, and you shall stone that man or woman to death with stones. ⁶ On the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses the one who is to die shall be put to death; a person shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness. ⁷ The hand of the witnesses shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. So you shall purge the evil from your midst.

⁸ “If any case arises requiring decision between one kind of homicide and another, one kind of legal right and another, or one kind of assault and another, any case within your towns that is too difficult for you, then you shall arise and go up to the place that the LORD your God will choose. ⁹ And you shall come to the Levitical priests and to the judge who is in office in those days, and you shall consult them, and they shall declare to you the decision. ¹⁰ Then you shall do according to what they declare to you from that place that the LORD will choose. And you shall be careful to do according to all that they direct you. ¹¹ According to the instructions that they give you, and according to the decision which they pronounce to you, you shall do. You shall not turn aside from the verdict that they declare to you, either to the right hand or to the left. ¹² The man who acts presumptuously by not obeying the priest who stands to minister there before the LORD your God, or the judge, that man shall die. So you shall purge the evil from Israel. ¹³ And all the people shall hear and fear and not act presumptuously again.

Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher

“Taking God Seriously”

Sing: Hymn #707, *Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

GOD COMMUNES WITH US AT THE LORD'S TABLE

The Invitation and Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup

The bread is vegan and gluten-free. The cup is grape juice. It is our custom to hold the elements, and partake together. Please leave your glass cup at your seat.

GOD COMMISSIONS US

Sing: Hymn #308, *Jesus Paid it All

*Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

***Sing: Psalter #179**

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