

Covenant Church

Morning Worship — September 20, 2026

Welcome

Rev. Brooks Pipher

Announcements

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 136:1

Sing: Hymn #1, *All People That on Earth Do Dwell

*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

Men's Study & Fellowship

This Tuesday, September 22

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Whole Foods Burbank

Ladies Study & Fellowship

This Wednesday, September 23

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

620 E. Angeleno Ave., Burbank

Dinner Fellowship

This Friday, September 25

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Brooks & Amanda's Home

620 E. Angeleno Ave., Burbank

"Last Sunday" Lunch

Next Sunday, September 27

Plan to stay for our fellowship lunch following *Morning Worship*.

"First Thursday" Youth Group

Middle & High School Students

Thursday, October 1

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

**Congregation standing, if able*

GOD CLEANSSES US

Confession of Sin (*Unison*)

Psalm 119:41-48 (ESV)

⁴¹ Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD, your salvation according to your promise; ⁴² then shall I have an answer for him who taunts me, for I trust in your word. ⁴³ And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth, for my hope is in your rules. ⁴⁴ I will keep your law continually, forever and ever, ⁴⁵ and I shall walk in a wide place, for I have sought your precepts. ⁴⁶ I will also speak of your testimonies before kings and shall not be put to shame, ⁴⁷ for I find my delight in your commandments, which I love. ⁴⁸ I will lift up my hands toward your commandments, which I love, and I will meditate on your statutes.

*Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Jeremiah 31:33-34 (ESV)

³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

*Sing: Psalter #143A

(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 20:10-20 (ESV)

¹⁰ “When you draw near to a city to fight against it, offer terms of peace to it. ¹¹ And if it responds to you peaceably and it opens to you, then all the people who are found in it shall do forced labor for you and shall serve you. ¹² But if it makes no peace with you, but makes war against you, then you shall besiege it. ¹³ And when the LORD your God gives it into your hand, you shall put all its males to the sword, ¹⁴ but the women and the little ones, the livestock, and everything else in the city, all its spoil, you shall take as plunder for yourselves. And you shall enjoy the spoil of your enemies, which the LORD your God has given you. ¹⁵ Thus you shall do to all the cities that are very far from you, which are not cities of the nations here. ¹⁶ But in the cities of these peoples that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance, you shall save alive nothing that breathes, ¹⁷ but you shall devote them to complete destruction, the Hittites and the Amorites, the Canaanites and the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, as the LORD your God has commanded, ¹⁸ that they may not teach you to do according to all their abominable practices that they have done for their gods, and so you sin against the LORD your God.

¹⁹ “When you besiege a city for a long time, making war against it in order to take it, you shall not destroy its trees by wielding an axe against them. You may eat from them, but you shall not cut them down. Are the trees in the field human, that they should be besieged by you? ²⁰ Only the trees that you know are not trees for food you may destroy and cut down, that you may build siegeworks against the city that makes war with you, until it falls.

Sermon, Rev. Brooks Pipher

“The Seriousness of Sin”

***Sing: Hymn #92, A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

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.

***Sing: *Psalter* #204**

***Benediction**

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

***Sing: Psalter #179**

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