Under Construction: God’s Unfinished Work

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Welcome

Thank you for joining us in gathered worship today! At Covenant, we believe that true hope, joy, meaning, and redemption is found in Jesus Christ. Therefore, we hope that you will be moved towards greater love for Jesus and one another as we pause to praise, pray, and ponder under God’s Word.

The emphasis throughout our Sunday service is that worship is all about God. We gather to worship Him. Our gathered worship is that it is foundationally and fundamentally about God. In our service, we will: worship our Heavenly Father for his miraculous deeds, bear witness to Jesus Christ the Son and the hope he brings through his death and resurrection, be moved to engage with the mission of God through the power of the Holy Spirit as we wait for the return of Christ. All of these activities of worshipping, witnessing, and waiting will be shaped and formed by God’s divine revelation as it is given to us in Holy Scripture.

Our understanding of Scripture, God’s divine action, and theology will shape the flow of our service. Therefore, our worship service is “liturgical” and what you hold before you is our weekly liturgical document. Originating from Greek, this word means, “work of the people”. This means our service is both corporate and communal in nature. We are not individual consumers of a product, but join others in community to participate together in engaging with God. At different points in the service, there will be opportunities to join the liturgy, and we encourage you to enthusiastically participate in these corporate moments of response.

We hope your time with us serves to encourage and fill you with hope and joy.

Call to Worship

> God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might forever. Amen.
>
> 1 Timothy 6:15-16

Songs of Invitation

Confession of Sin

Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden –
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen!

Word of Assurance

> Truly my soul finds rest in God;
> my salvation comes from him.
> Truly he is my rock and my salvation;
> he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.
>
> Psalm 68:1-2

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Weekly Catechism

*New City Catechism for Kids – Question 1*4

Q: Did God create us unable to keep his law?

A: No, but because of the disobedience of Adam and Eve we are all born in sin and guilt, unable to keep God's law.

Community News

Church Instagram page

Our Instagram page is now live: https://instagram.com/covenantsydney
Please give us a follow and share with your friends!

Parents with young children meeting

The elders are looking to convene a meeting with parents of young children after service next week on Sunday 10 August 2025. If you are a parent with a child under 5, please make plans so you can attend. We aim to finish in half an hour.

Important Dates

August 24	**Covenant Session meeting** 2pm @ Christ College
August 31	**Mission Talk with Kevin Murray** After service @ Christ College
October 25	**Covenant Day In** 4pm @ Christ College

Bible Reading

1. Haggai 2 NIV

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Outline

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Haggai 2

Rob Clow

Are we doing what matters?

1. What is God building?

2. What is the obstacle in the way?

3. What is the solution God has provided?

So let’s join God in what He is building!

Songs in Response

Lord’s Prayer

I believe in God the Father Almighty
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended to the dead;
On the third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic [universal] Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen

Benediction

> Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him,

through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21

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