

# Faithful Living In Uncertain Times

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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

Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the nations. Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.

Revelation 15:3-4

## **Songs of Invitation**

## **Confession of Sin**

God of mercy, we confess that we sinned against your majesty in thought, word, and deed, by the things we have done, and by the things we have left undone. We have not loved you with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy Name

**All: Amen!**

## **Word of Assurance**

We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are.

Acts 15:11

## **Congregational Prayer**

## Offering

Regular giving to support our ministry as a gospel partner can be made by direct deposit into our account.

**Account Name:** Covenant Presbyterian Church

**BSB:** 032 060

**Account:** 663 486

## Weekly Catechism

*New City Catechism for Kids – Question 21*

**Q: What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?**

A: One who is truly human and also truly God.

## Community News

### Covenant Session summary reports

Covenant Session summary reports are available for meetings up to 5 Oct 2025. Please use this link to access: <https://covenantchurch.com.au/aka/sessionsummary>

### Reminder to update your giving details

Covenant now has our own bank account! If you haven't already done so, please update your electronic giving details. You can find our bank details at the end of the bulletin. Thank you for your ongoing financial partnership.

## Important Dates

- November 2** **Covenant prayer corner**  
8:30am @ Christ College
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2pm @ Christ College
- December 7** **Covenant prayer corner**  
8:30am @ Christ College

## Bible Reading

1. 1 Peter 4 NIV

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon Outline

### Faithful Living In Uncertain Times

1 Peter 4

Dan Chu

**Living for God's will**

**Living with purpose**

**Rejoicing in suffering**

## **Songs in Response**

### **Apostle's Creed**

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**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

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