

# Haunting Memories

## Welcome

Thank you for joining us in gathered worship today!

At Covenant, we are a church that is bound to God and to each other by grace, growing and serving together in love, and living and sharing the hope that we have in Jesus.

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. 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.

Our service is shaped by the Bible—God's Word to us. Because of that, our worship follows a shared pattern each week. Christians sometimes call this pattern a "liturgy."

"Liturgy" simply means "the work of the people." It reminds us that worship isn't a performance or a product—it's something we participate in together. Throughout the service, you'll have chances to join in with prayers and spoken responses, and you're warmly invited to take part.

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

## Call to Worship

Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

Exodus 15:11-13

## **Songs of Invitation**

## **Congregational Prayer**

## **Holiday Kids Talk**

## **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

## **Community News**

### **CGL and ACGL planning meeting**

CG leaders and assistant CG leaders are invited to a planning meeting this Sunday, 25 January. It will take place after lunch at 2pm, in an upstairs room at Christ College.

We'll be meeting to plan for the year ahead, including: leader onboarding, an overview of Together Time, 2026 Bible study plans, prayer groups, leaders training and upcoming gatherings.

### **Covenant Session summary reports**

Covenant Session summary reports are available for meetings up to 12 Jan 2026. Please use this link to access: <https://covenantchurch.com.au/aka/sessionsummary>

### **Calling for OHP & sound desk helpers**

As we enter 2026, Covenant is seeking more helpers to serve on OHP and/or sound desk. These roles play an integral part in the smooth running of our Sunday services. No previous experience is required, you will receive training and supervision.

Please let one of the elders know if you are interested or would like to know more.

## **Important Dates**

<b>January 25</b>	<b>CGL / ACGL planning meeting</b> 2pm @ Christ College
<b>February 1</b>	<b>Prayer corner</b> 9am @ Christ College
<b>February 8</b>	<b>Vision Sunday</b> After service @ Christ College
<b>February 15</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b> After service @ Christ College

## **Covenant Welcome**

## **Bible Reading**

## 1. Mark 14:66–72

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon Outline**

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### **Confession of Sin**

God of grace and truth,  
in Jesus Christ you came among us  
as light shining in darkness.  
We confess that we have not welcomed the light,  
or trusted the good news to be good.  
We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,  
expecting little, and hoping for less.  
Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,  
so that we may receive the fullness of your grace,  
and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.

**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

## **Lord's Supper**

## **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**

To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

Jude 1:24-25

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