



**SHAWNEE** *park*  
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

June 20, 2021, 10:00 AM

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE

*Abraham and Sarah Heard a Call from God* -Hyder

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Litany of Praise

*Sung Refrain: I Am Your God; You Are My people. (v.1)*

*We bless and thank you, Lord our God, for your covenanting love and faithfulness.... For the promise you spoke to Noah:*

**"I establish my covenant with you:**

**Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood."** (Genesis 9)

*Sung Refrain: I Am Your God; You Are My people. (v.1)*

*For the promise you spoke to Abraham and Sarah:*

**"I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant**

**between me and you and your descendants**

**after you for the generations to come,**

**to be your God and the God of your descendants after you."** (Genesis 17)

With joy, your people heard the sure promise: *Refrain*

*For the promise you spoke to Moses, Miriam, and the people of Israel:*

**"If you obey me fully and keep my covenant,**

**then you will be my treasured possession.**

**You will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."** (Exodus 19)

*For the promise you spoke to David:*

**"I will raise up your offspring to succeed you,**

**your own flesh and blood, and I will establish the throne**

**of his kingdom forever."** (2 Samuel 7)

*With joy, your people heard the sure promise: Refrain  
For the promise you spoke through Jeremiah:*

**“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel:  
I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.  
I will be their God, and they will be my people.”** (Jeremiah 31)

*For the promise you spoke through Jesus:*

**“This is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.”** (Matthew 26)

*As heirs of these promises, called by your Spirit,  
we profess our faith with joy and trust: Refrain*

\*GOD’S GREETING

\*SONG OF PRAISE            *You are Our God; We are Your People* -Hoekstra

PROFESSION OF FAITH OF NATHAN VAN DYKE

SONG OF RESPONSE                            *Build My Life*

CALL TO CONFESSION                        from Psalm 51:16-17

*In Psalm 51, David gives this testimony:*

*“You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;  
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.*

*My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart  
you, God, will not despise.”*

*We hear and heed this call to come with humble hearts to confess our sin  
before Almighty God.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION                        from Psalm 51

**Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercies, blot out our transgressions.**

**Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin.**

*For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.*

**Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.**

*Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us.*

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit.**

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(Isaiah 54:8, 43:25, 44:22)

*With everlasting love I will have compassion on you, says the Lord,  
your Redeemer. I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own  
sake, and I will not remember your sins.  
Return to me, for I have redeemed you.*

*Believe this Gospel and go forth to live in peace.*

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Safe Haven Ministries

\*SONG OF PREPARATION

*Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer* -Williams

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 15:1-21

The Lord's Covenant With Abram

<sup>1</sup> After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.”

<sup>2</sup> But Abram said, “Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

<sup>6</sup> Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup> He also said to him, “I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”

<sup>8</sup> But Abram said, “Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?”

<sup>9</sup> So the LORD said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.”

<sup>10</sup> Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. <sup>11</sup> Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup> As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD said to him, “Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and

that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. <sup>14</sup> But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. <sup>16</sup> In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.” <sup>17</sup> When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, “To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi<sup>[e]</sup> of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates— <sup>19</sup> the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup> Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, <sup>21</sup> Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites.”

SERMON

## FAITH, DOUBT, AND COVENANT

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

*No Longer Slaves* -Helser

\*GOD’S BLESSING

\*CLOSING PRAISE

*Tell Your Children* -Hawthorne

**Preacher:** Rev. Darrin Compagner

**Musicians:** Joan Van Dyke, Phil Van Eck, Nate Jen, Rachel Flim, Dave Lundberg

**Today’s Offering is for:** Safe Haven Ministries

*Safe Haven’s mission is to end domestic abuse. Their focus is on empowering women by providing them with choices, creating a culture of abuse prevention through education, and addressing issues of faith and their intersection with domestic abuse.*

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