

The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Season of the Trinity
October 14, 2018

To love someone means to see him as God intended him.
—Fyodor Dostoevsky

What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.
—Augustine

You can always give without loving, but you can never love without giving.
—Amy Carmichael

In the New Testament, love is more of a verb than a noun. It has more to do with acting than with feeling. The call to love is not so much a call to a certain state of feeling as it is to a quality of action.
—R.C. Sproul

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dan Edwards

HYMN OF PRAISE

“The Church's One Foundation”

The Church's one Foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation, By water and the Word:
From heaven He came and sought her To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endured.

'Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

Words: Samuel J. Stone (1839-1900). Music: Samuel S. Wesley (1810-1876).

 *Congregation stand as able.*

☒ READING FROM THE PSALMS

Danny Smith

Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

²It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!

³It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing,
life forevermore.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SONG OF UNITY

“Oh How Good It Is”



1. Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2. Oh, how good it is, on this jour - ney we share, to re -
3. Oh, how good it is to embrace His com mand, to pre

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ge - ther in spi - rit, in faith, and un - i - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
9 fer one a - no - ther, for - give as He for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cep - tance and love, are the
weak find strength, the af - flic - ted find grace, when we
live as one, we all share in the love of the

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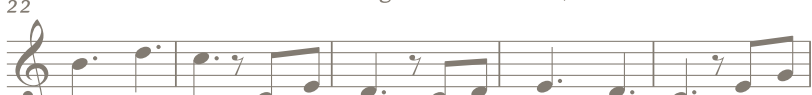


fruits of His pre sence here a - mong us. So
of - fer the bles - sing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther, and the Spi - rit.

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22 with one voice we'll sing — to the Lord, and with one



heart we'll live out His Word till the whole earth sees the Re

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deem - er has come; for He dwells in the pre - sence of His peo - ple.

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 10:35-45

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."³⁶And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?"³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."³⁸Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"³⁹And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized,⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John.⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SONG OF CONFESSION

"From My Sins, O Hide Your Face"



1. From my sins, O hide Your face; my in - i - qui -
2. Give sal - va - tion's joy a - gain, and a will - ing
3. From blood-guilt - i - ness, O God, set me free, my
4. Sac - ri - fice You will not take, or the off - 'ring



ties e - rase. O my God, re - new my heart,
mind sus - tain. Then Your per - fect ways I'll show
Sav - ior, God. Then my tongue will joy ex - press,
I would make. Off - 'rings, burnt, bring no de - light,



and a spir - it right im - part. Cast me not from
that trans-gress - ors may them know; sin - ners are con -
sing - ing of Your right-eous - ness. Op - en now my
but a bro - ken heart, con - trite, God's ac - cept - ed



You, I pray; nor Your Ho - ly Spir - it take.
vert - ed then, turn - ing back to You a - gain.
lips, O Lord; from my mouth will praise be poured.
sac - ri - fice, You, O God, will not de - spise.

Words: Psalm 51. Music: Richard Redhead, 1853 (AJALON 77.77.77).

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"Shelter"

Chancel Choir

To all who are looking down,
Holding on to hearts still wounding,
For those who have yet to find in
Places near where love is moving,
Cast off the robe you're wearing,
Set aside the names that you've been given;
May this place of rest
In the fold of your journey bind you to hope;
You will never walk alone.

In the shelter of each other
We will live, we will live.

If our hearts have turned to stone there is hope;
We know the rocks will cry out,
And the tears aren't ours alone;
Let them fall into the hands that hold us,
Come away from where you're hiding,
Set aside the lies that you've been living;
May this place of rest,
In the fold of your journey bind you to hope;
We will never walk alone.

If there is any peace,
If there is any hope,
We must all believe;
Our lives are not our own;
We all belong;
God has given us each other,
And we will never walk alone.

Words and Music: Dan Haseltine, Charlie Lowell, Stephen Mason, and
Matt Odmark, 2010.

The Sacrament of Baptism

John Miles Harrelson, Jr.

SON OF REBEKAH AND JOHN HARRELSON

Emily Christen Edwards

DAUGHTER OF SARAH AND WILLIAM EDWARDS

PARENTAL VOWS

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on his/her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his/her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him/her a godly example, that you will pray with and for him/her, that you will teach him/her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him/her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE BAPTISM

THE PRAYER OF BLESSING

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the LORD be with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another with words of peace and reconciliation.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors and members, please take a moment to fill out the pew pad.
You may read all of our ministry announcements on page 19.

Kindergarteners - 2nd graders are dismissed at this time (see page 19 for details).

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Rick Flynn

☒ READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Ephesians 2:11-18

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

All flesh is like grass,

And all its glory is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flowers fades,

But the word of our God stands forever.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All who are united in Christ Jesus by faith and are baptized, communing members of His visible Church are invited to come to the Lord's Table. If you are not communing but would like to participate, come forward and fold your hands, and you will receive a prayer of blessing from the server.

The congregation will read aloud the portions that are *italicized*.

Prayer of Confession

John Fountain

*Almighty God,
Who by the blood of Your own Son has reconciled us as one body
and has commanded us to love one another,
we confess with great sorrow that we have failed to love as we have been loved.
We ask Your forgiveness and the gift of full repentance,
that we may walk in newness of life,
and thus honor our loving Savior Jesus Christ,
in Whose matchless Name we pray. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

—1 John 4:9-10

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you forgiveness of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

Words of Institution

from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Prayer of Humble Access

*We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table,
but you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to commemorate in this breaking of bread
the death of your dear son Jesus Christ,
that we may feed on him in our hearts by faith,
and that we may evermore dwell in Him,
and He in us. Amen.*

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord's Prayer

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast and united in ministry with your people in every place.

This we pray in the name of the One who taught us to pray, saying:

*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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.*

*If you desire gluten free bread, please walk down the center aisle, either upstairs or down,
and the server will provide it accordingly.*

HYMNS FOR THE EUCHARIST

Congregation, please sing the Hymns for the Eucharist during Communion.

“Come, All Ye Pining”

Lord we adore Thy boundless grace,
The heights and depths unknown,
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace
In Thy beloved Son.

Chorus:

*Come all ye pining, hungry, poor,
The Savior's bounty taste.
Behold a never-failing store
For ev'ry willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine,
Dear Source of ev'ry good,
Jesus, in Thee, what glories shine!
How rich Thy flowing blood!
(Chorus)

Here shall your num'rous wants receive;
A free, a full supply.
He has unmeasured bliss to give
And joys that never die.
(Chorus)

Words: Anne Steele, 1716-1778. Music: Brian T. Murphy.

"Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive"



1. "For - give our sins___ as we for- give,"___
2. How can Your par - don reach and bless___
3. In blaz - ing light___ Your cross re - veals___
4. Lord, cleanse the depths___ with - in our souls,___

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You taught us, Lord,___ to pray;___
 the un - for - giv - - ing heart___
 the truth___ we dim - - ly know;___
 and bid___ re - sent - - ment cease;___

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but You a - lone can give___ us grace to___
 that broods on wrongs and will___ not let old___
 how small the debts men owe___ to us; how___
 then, re - con - ciled to God___ and man our___

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live the words we say,___
 bit - ter - ness de - part,___
 great our debt to You,___
 lives will spread Your peace,___

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to live the words we say. ___
 old bit - ter - ness de - part? ___
 how great our debt to You. ___
 our lives will spread Your peace. ___

☒ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

☒ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"



Musical notation for the first line of the congregational response. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes.

Laud and hon-or to the Fa-ther, laud and hon-or to the Son,

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Musical notation for the second line of the congregational response, starting at measure 5. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes.

laud and hon-or to the Spir-it, ev-er Three and ev-er One,

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Musical notation for the third line of the congregational response, starting at measure 9. The melody concludes with a final note and a double bar line.

One in might, and One in glo-ry, while un-end-ing ag-es run.

Words and Music: Latin, 7th century, tr. by John Mason Neale, 1851.

☒ BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: October 14 - 20, 2018

SUNDAY, October 14

- 8:45 a.m. Coffee Fellowship (Commons)
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages and stages (see page 21)
- 10:30 a.m. Gathered Worship (Sanctuary)
Children's Worship | 3K through 2nd grade
- 5:00 p.m. Jr. and Sr. High Small Groups

MONDAY, October 15

- 8:15 a.m. Women's Prayer Time (Ingram Link's Office)

TUESDAY, October 16

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Study: Divine Design Discipleship (S104)
- 11:30 a.m. Women's Study: The Book of Joshua (Dining Room)
- 11:30 a.m. Gospel Manhood (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:30 p.m. Grief Support Group (Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, October 17

- 5:30-7:15 p.m. Wednesdays@Covenant
 - 5:30-7:15 | Nursery Care (Nursery Floor)
kidConnection* (3rd floor; dinner included)
 - 5:30-6:15 | Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
Menu: Greek chicken
 - 6:00-7:15 | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (S103)
 - 6:15-7:15 | Youth Activities (Youth Rooms)
 - Study Option 1: Believing & Living the Gospel**
"Ethical Living," with Sandy Willson and David Driskill (E201)
 - Study Option 2: Sharing the Gospel**
"Evangelism & Apologetics,"
with Josh Johnson (Dining Room)

*register for kidConnection at covpres.com

MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Children's Worship Information. Following the Sunday morning worship service, parents will find their children attending Children's Worship in the following rooms:

3K & 4K - C221 (available for the entire worship hour)

Kindergarten - C221 (dismissed during the Passing of the Peace)

1st - 2nd Grade - C316 (dismissed during the Passing of the Peace)

New Wednesday Night Study. Beginning this Wednesday, October 17, Sandy Willson and David Driskill will be teaching a new study, "Ethical Living," in E201. In this class, we will look at how we allow gospel truths to shape and affect how we view such topics as: divorce and remarriage; homosexuality and gender identity; immigration; and race relations.

Gospel Manhood. Gospel Manhood meets this Tuesday, October 16, from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker this month is Andrew Pearson, Dean and Rector, Cathedral Church of the Advent (Birmingham, AL). Lunch will be available beginning at 11:30.

Congregational Prayer. We are dedicated to praying together as a church family, and our next scheduled time for congregational prayer is Sunday, October 21 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ages are invited to this guided time of prayer for our church, leadership, staff, and community.

Feast Not Famine. Ladies, our fall outreach event will be held November 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This year Sophie Hudson (Boo Mama) will share with us about not only maintaining our sanity through the holiday season but rejoicing in all that God has blessed us with! Learn more about Sophie Hudson at boomama.net.

New Members' Class. Our next new members' class is January 25-27. The class consists of four sessions: Friday from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Sunday during Sunday School, and lunch on Sunday from 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Childcare is provided for each session. You will be taken through all of the new member information and will have ample opportunities to ask questions and discuss beliefs. If you would like to attend, please contact Victoria Williams at vwilliams@covpres.com.

GOSPEL MANHOOD

A RENEWED VISION FOR MEN'S MINISTRY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

11:30A - 12:30P

FELLOWSHIP HALL

WITH GUEST SPEAKER

ANDREW PEARSON

DEAN AND RECTOR

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

(BIRMINGHAM, AL)

LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING AT 11:30.

THERE IS A \$10 SUGGESTED DONATION

FOR THE MEAL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Maps and directional signs are located around the church.

COLLEGE DINING ROOM*	<i>College students</i>
COMMUNITY E305	<i>All ages and life stages</i>
CORNERSTONE S104	<i>30s and 40s</i>
CROSSPOINTE S100	<i>20s and 30s</i>
FOUNDATIONS E304	<i>30s and 40s</i>
LIGHTHOUSE E301	<i>30s and 40s</i>
LIVING STONES E303	<i>40s and 50s</i>
KINGDOM BUILDERS E201	<i>50s and 60s</i>
OPEN DOORS S105	<i>70s and above</i>
UPPER ROOM S101	<i>60s and 70s</i>
THRESHOLD DINING ROOM	<i>Singles and young marrieds; 20s and 30s</i>
YOUTH YOUTH AREA	<i>Students grades 7-12</i>

**The college class meets at 12:00 p.m. and includes lunch.*

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RULING ELDERS

2018

AC Frese

Eric Getty

John Hamilton

Daniel Murray

Warren Norville

Jason Peevy

Ben Walker

Clay Wheeler

Charles White

2019

Ty Dedmon

Jeff Dyess

Rick Flynn

Heath Henderson

Tom McKnight

John Smith T

Richard Thompson

2020

Bill Bennett

Will Brooke

Michael Latta

Charlie Logan

Paul Loyless

Bob Schaffeld

Lee Sheppard

Steve Stigler

Mark Taylor

John Wood

DEACONS

2018

Brandon Bishop

Nathan Collums

John Harrelson

Randall Lancaster

Matt Searson

Patrick Strong

Darrell Tucker

2019

Jim Bennett

Gary Gorham

Keith Harrelson

Jeff Hayes

Steve Killgore

Steve Pfitzer

Brent Powell

John Shank

Todd Sitton

William Slappey

Billy Tapscott

2020

Tripp Alexander

Paul Darden

Jay Evans

Bryan Flores

John Gant

John David Gray

Marty Martin

Bud Miller

Tyler O'Connor

John Shults

Danny Smith

Robert Stephens

Clark Worrell

BIBLE READING PLAN

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. Use them along with your worship guide as resources for readings, prayers, and hymns. The scripture readings are from Ligonier Ministries and are designed around a one-year cycle that will allow you to read through the New Testament or the entire Bible in 2018.

OCTOBER READING PLAN

	ISAIAH
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EPHESIANS

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PHILIPPIANS

- 1
- 2-3
- 4

COLOSSIANS

- 1:1-2:5
- 2:6-3:17
- 3:18-4:18

1 THESSALONIANS

- 1
- 2:1-3:5
- 3:6-13
- 4
- 5

2 THESSALONIANS

- 1
- 2
- 3-1 Timothy 1

1 TIMOTHY

- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5:1-6:2a
- 6:2b-21

2 TIMOTHY

- 1-2
- 3
- 4

TITUS

- 1