

# The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The act of universal salvation...the act which demonstrates God's deity to the nations...is the exaltation of the crucified Christ. God defined his own kingdom when he exalted the crucified Christ.

—Richard Bauckham

“... supremacy belongs to him in all things. For if he is the Author and Restorer of all things, it is manifest that this honour is justly due to him. ...the simple meaning is, that all things are subjected to his sway.”

—John Calvin

## ☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

1 Chronicles 16:31

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,  
and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

## ☒ RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 8

Leader: O LORD, our LORD,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.

*All: Out of the mouth of babies and infants,  
you have established strength because of your foes,  
to still the enemy and the avenger.*

Leader: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars,  
which you have set in place,  
what is man that you are mindful of him,  
and the son of man that you care for him?

*All: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.*

Leader: You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,  
all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,  
the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

*All: O LORD, our LORD,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*

## ☒ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674. Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, attr. to Louis Bourgeois (1551).

## ☒ PRAYER OF ADORATION


**HYMNS OF ADORATION**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, allelu...  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: St. Francis of Assisi, ca. 1225; tr. by William H. Draper, 1926.

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN.

 "O Father You are Sovereign"

O Father You are sovereign  
In all the worlds You made;  
Your mighty Word was spoken,  
And light and life obeyed;  
Your voice commands the seasons,  
And bounds the ocean's shore,  
Sets stars within their courses,  
And stills the tempest's roar.

O Father You are sovereign  
In all affairs of man;  
No powers of death or darkness  
Can thwart Your perfect plan;  
All chance and change transcending,  
Supreme in time and space;  
You hold Your trusting children  
Secure in Your embrace.

O Father You are sovereign,  
We see You dimly now;  
But soon before Your triumph,  
Earth's every knee shall bow;  
With this glad hope before us,  
Our faith springs up anew;  
Our Sovereign Lord and Savior,  
We trust and worship You.

Words: Margaret Clarkson. Music: Melchior Teschner, ca. 1615 (ST THEODULPH).

**READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT**

Genesis 1:1-2, 1:26-2:4

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." <sup>29</sup>And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>2:1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations  
of the heavens and the earth when they were created,  
in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

—Romans 3:23

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 We acknowledge and confess before you;  
 Our sinful nature quick to do evil and slow to do good;  
 All our shortcomings and offenses are before you at all times.  
 You alone know how often we have sinned;  
 In wandering from your ways;  
 In wasting your gifts;  
 In forgetting your love.  
 O Lord, have mercy upon us;  
 For in our sin we have displeased you.  
 Teach us to hate our errors;  
 Cleanse us from our secret faults;  
 And forgive our sins;  
 For the sake of your dear Son.  
 And, most holy and loving Father,  
 Cause us to live in your light and walk in your ways;  
 In keeping with the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 According to the promised grace of the Holy Spirit, Amen.*

## ☒ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

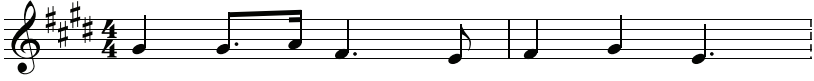
—Romans 8:1

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.

## GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"And Can It Be"

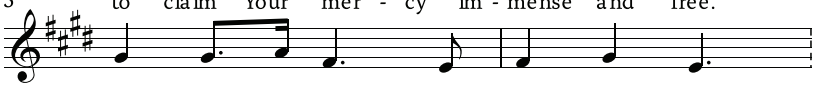
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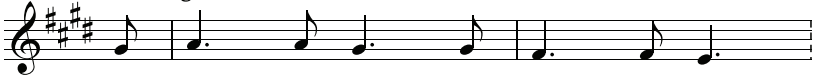
1.And can it be that I should gain  
2.You left Your Fa - ther's throne a - bove,  
3.Long my im - pri - soned spir - it lay  
4.Bold - ly I come be - fore Your throne



an in - t'rest in the Sav - ior's blood?  
so free, so in - fi - nite Your grace;  
fast bound in sin and na - ture's night;  
5 to claim Your mer - cy im - mense and free.

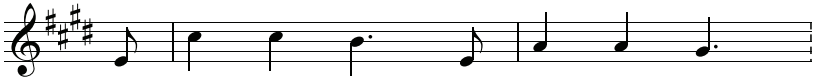


Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
Emp - tied Your-self of all but love,  
Thine eye dif-fused a quick - 'ning ray,  
No great - er love will e'er be known,

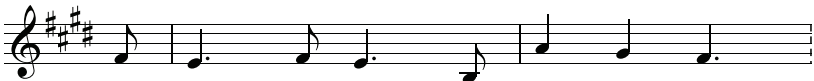


For me, who Him to death pur - sued?  
and bled for A - dam's help - less race.  
I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light.  
for O, my God, it found out me!

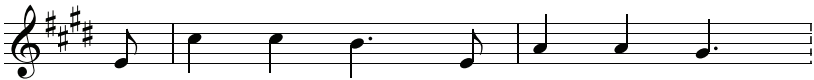
Refrain:



A - maz - ing love! How can it be



that You, my God, should die for me!



A - maz - ing love! How can it be



that You, my God, should die for me!



## ☒ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the LORD be with you.

*And also with you.*

### MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*See page 17 for all of our Ministry Announcements. Please fill out the attendance pad in your pew and pass it down.*

**Children's Worship.** Children ages 3 years old (by 9/1/2021) through Kindergarten sitting in the Fellowship Hall are invited to Children's Worship during the Passing of the Peace. Children will walk with staff to C222, C223, or C224, and staff will then walk children back to the Fellowship Hall, prior to the benediction, to join their parents.

**Enfold Disability Ministry.** Our church seeks to embrace and enfold people affected by disability. Please let an usher know how we can support and accommodate your needs during worship.

### THE MORNING PRAYERS

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

Colossians 1:13-20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

<sup>16</sup>For by him all things were created,

in heaven and on earth,

visible and invisible,

whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—

all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

<sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church.

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

All flesh is like grass,

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

*The grass withers, the flower fades,*

*But the word of our God stands forever.*



## LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Congregation, please read aloud the portions that are *italicized*.

### Words of Institution

from Mark 14:22-25; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

### Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
 Maker of heaven and earth.  
 And in Jesus Christ his 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 into hell;  
 the third day he rose again from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church;  
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

### Prayer of Humble Access

*We come to your Table, Lord Jesus,  
 not trusting in our own righteousness, but in your rich mercies.  
 We are not worthy, O Great King, to gather up the crumbs under your Table,  
 yet you are the King of mercy.  
 Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
 in this breaking of bread, a rich participation in your body,  
 and in this cup, a stronger grasp of your grace,  
 that by your Spirit, we may commune with you  
 and you with 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.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.*

## **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. An usher will prompt each pew when it is time to come forward to receive the bread and the cup, and then you will return to your seat. If you are not partaking of these elements but would like to come forward with your fellow worshipers, please cross your hands in front of your chest, and the one serving communion will pray a brief prayer for you or pronounce a blessing over you.

## HYMNS FOR THE EUCHARIST

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

### "Come All Ye Pining"



1. Lord, we a - dore Thy bound - less grace, \_  
 2. O won drous gifts of love \_\_\_ di - vine, \_  
 3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants \_\_\_ re - ceive; \_



the heights and depths un - known, \_\_\_  
 Dear Source of ev - 'ry good. \_\_\_  
 a free, a full sup - ply. \_\_\_



of par - don, life, and joy, \_\_\_ and peace \_  
 Je - sus, in Thee, what glo - ries shine! \_  
 He has un - meas - ured bliss \_\_\_ to give \_



in Thy be - lov - ed Son. \_\_\_  
 How rich Thy flow - ing blood! \_\_\_  
 and joys that nev - er die. \_\_\_



Come all ye pin - ing, hun - gry, poor, \_\_\_ the Sav ior's boun



- ty \_\_\_ taste. \_\_\_ Be hold a nev - er fail - ing store



\_\_\_ for ev - 'ry will - ing \_\_\_ guest. \_\_\_

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

"Be Thou My Vision"

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night.  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true Son.  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
Thou mine inheritance now and always;  
Thou and thou only first in my heart.  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won.  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Son!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall;  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all!  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all!

Words: ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th century; tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905; versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912. Music: traditional Irish melody.

 **BENEDICTION**

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: February 20 - 26, 2022

### SUNDAY, February 20

8:00 a.m.	Gathered Worship
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School (see page 18)
10:30 a.m.	Gathered Worship
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	6th Grade Small Groups
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Jr. & Sr. High Small Groups
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Women's Study: Remember Your Joy

### MONDAY, February 21

8:15 a.m.	Women's Prayer Time (Parlor)
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### TUESDAY, February 22

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Hope and Help for Moms (305)
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Divine Design Discipleship (104)
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Women's Study: Remember Your Joy (Sanctuary)

### WEDNESDAY, February 23

10:00 a.m.	Church-wide Prayer Time (101)
5:30 - 7:15 p.m.	<b>Wednesdays@Covenant</b>
	5:30 Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15 Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	6:15 KidConnection (3K-5th grades; 3rd floor)
	6:15 Youth Activities (Youth Area)
	6:15 Bible Studies
	<b>Church-wide Studies:</b>
	You Are Not Your Own: Redefining Identity (201)
	<i>Topic: Politics</i>
	God, His People, and Poverty Alleviation (Fellowship Hall)
	<b>Women's Studies:</b>
	Remember Your Joy (303)
	The Book of Isaiah (305)
	Remember Your Joy (Dining Room; 7:15 p.m.)

*Should you need pastoral assistance after our regular office hours, please contact our pastor on call at 205-874-3559 (David Driskill, February 21 - 27).*



## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Missions Festival 2022.** Our annual Missions Festival is February 27 - March 1. Our speaker will be Brian Habig, pastor of Downtown Presbyterian Church (Greenville, SC). Sign-ups for our 24 Hours of Prayer and volunteer opportunities, along with the festival schedule, can be found at [covpres.com/missions-festival](http://covpres.com/missions-festival).

**Ladies' Missions Brunch.** We are so excited for our Missions Brunch on Tuesday, March 1 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the home of Maggie O'Connor. Invitations are coming soon! Please sign up at [covpres.com/missions-festival](http://covpres.com/missions-festival) under the "Get Involved" tab to bring something, donate money for goody bags for our missionaries, and/or serve at the brunch. Thank you!

**Discover Covenant Class.** Our next Discover Covenant Class is March 18 - 20. This class is a great way to learn about our church and what it means to become a member of Covenant. The class meets on Friday evening, Saturday morning, and during Sunday School on Sunday morning. Please visit [covpres.com/new-members](http://covpres.com/new-members) to sign up.

**Ash Wednesday Service.** Please join us on March 2 for a church-wide dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and our Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Wednesdays@Covenant.** Wednesdays@Covenant begin each week with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and studies, choir rehearsal, and youth and children's activities all beginning at 6:15. See the full schedule on page 20 and on the Covenant website at [covpres.com/schedule](http://covpres.com/schedule).

**Officer Recommendations.** We are accepting officer recommendations for deacon, elder, and trustee through Sunday, March 6. Please complete the form at the back of this worship guide and place it in the boxes provided in the Sanctuary Foyer or Church Office.

**Church-wide Memory Passage.** Our new memory passage for the Season of Epiphany (January 6 - March 1) is 1 Chronicles 16:31:

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,  
and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

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9:15 a.m.

*Directional signs are located around the church.*

<b>THRESHOLD</b>   304	<i>Singles, college students, and young marrieds; 20s and 30s</i>
<b>KING'S TABLE</b>   301	30s (Pastor: Josh Johnson)
<b>CROSSPOINTE</b>   100	<i>mid 30s to mid 40s</i> (Pastor: John Fountain)
<b>CORNERSTONE</b>   104	<i>late 30s to late 40s</i>
<b>LIGHTHOUSE</b>   305	<i>late 30s to early 50s</i>
<b>FOUNDATIONS</b>   DINING ROOM	<i>early 40s to early 50s</i> (Pastor: David Driskill)
<b>LIVING STONES</b>   303	<i>late 40s to late 50s</i>
<b>KINGDOM BUILDERS</b>   201	<i>late 40s to late 60s</i> (Pastor: Dan Edwards)
<b>COMMUNITY</b>   300	<i>All ages and life stages</i>
<b>OPEN DOORS &amp; UPPER ROOM</b>   101	<i>late 60s and above</i> (Pastor: Marty Crawford)
<b>YOUTH</b>   YOUTH AREA	<i>Students grades 7-12</i> (Pastor: John Fountain)

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2022	2023	2024
Jim Bennett	Tripp Alexander	Samuel Bragg
William Edwards	Joseph Cascio	Paul Darden
Merrill Johnston	Richard Cox	Joe Fante
Randall Lancaster	Jay Evans	Steve Killgore
Mark Midyette	Bryan Flores	Robert Luttrell
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Marty Crawford, Pastoral Liaison (Missions)	Ingram Link, Ministry Liaison (Women)
David Driskill, Pastoral Liaison (Shepherding)	Bob Schaffeld, Missions Ministry Chair
John Fountain, Pastoral Liaison (Family)	John Shank, Finance Committee Chair
Gary Gorham, Chair of the Diaconate	John Smith T, Clerk of the Session
Heath Henderson, Shepherding Ministry Chair	

## BIBLE READING PLAN

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. You can use them along with the readings, prayers, and hymns from your worship guide each week. 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 2022.

### FEBRUARY READING PLAN

	<b>EXODUS</b>	<b>MATTHEW</b>
1	□ 23-24	□ 21:33-46
2	□ 25-26	□ 22:1-22
3	□ 27-28	□ 22:23-46
4	□ 29-30	□ 23:1-22
5/6	□ 31-33	□ 23:23-24:35
7	□ 34-35	□ 24:36-51
8	□ 36-37	□ 25:1-30
9	□ 38-39	□ 25:31-46
10	□ 40-Leviticus 1	□ 26:1-25
	<b>LEVITICUS</b>	
11	□ 2-3	□ 26:36-56
12/13	□ 4-6	□ 26:57-27:44
14	□ 7-9	□ 27:45-66
15	□ 10-12	□ 28
		<b>MARK</b>
16	□ 13-15	□ 1
17	□ 16-18	□ 2
18	□ 19-20	□ 3
19/20	□ 21-26	□ 4
21	□ 27-Numbers 1	□ 5:1-20
	<b>NUMBERS</b>	
22	□ 2-4	□ 5:21-43
23	□ 5-7	□ 6:1-29
24	□ 8-9	□ 6:30-56
25	□ 10-12	□ 7:1-13
26/27	□ 13-16	□ 7:14-8:21
28	□ 17-19	□ 8:22-9:29

## PRAYER FOR VOCATION IN DAILY WORK

*The Book of Common Prayer*

Almighty God our heavenly Father,  
you declare your glory and show forth your handiwork  
in the heavens and in the earth:  
deliver us in our various occupations  
from the service of self alone, that we may do the work  
you give us to do in truth and beauty  
and for the common good;  
for the sake of him who came among us as one who serves,  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

# OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

## FOR THE CLASS OF 2025

Elected officers serve a three-year term.

*Please submit your recommendations by Sunday, March 6.  
You may place this form in the boxes provided in the Sanctuary  
Foyer or the Church Office.*

► Recommendations for the Office of **ELDER:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
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► Recommendations for the Office of **DEACON:**

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► Recommendations for the Office of **TRUSTEE:**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Those elders and deacons currently serving in the classes of 2023 and 2024 should not be recommended

