

# The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



And they shall be my people, and I will be their God. <sup>39</sup>I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for their own good and the good of their children after them. <sup>40</sup>I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, that they may not turn from me. <sup>41</sup>I will rejoice in doing them good, and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul.

—Jeremiah 32:38-41

"Israel will be delivered, because the God of their fathers has heard their groaning, and is willing and able to deliver them. Furthermore, the Lord has given his name in such a way that has not exhausted its meaning. The rest of the book of Exodus, and in particular the manner in which the Lord will deliver Israel, will shed further light on the meaning of the name. And Israel will come to know her God."

—W. Ross Blackburn

 **CALL TO WORSHIP** **RESPONSIVE READING**

Psalm 136:1, 10-12

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.

All: *To him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;*

Leader: And brought Israel out from among them,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;

All: *With a strong hand and an outstretched arm,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.*

 **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

 *Congregation stand as able.*

"Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"



1.Praise my soul, the King of Heav - en,  
 2.Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor,  
 3.Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish,  
 4.Fa - ther - like, He tends and spares us;  
 5.An - gels help us to a - dore Him;



to His feet Thy tri - bute bring;  
 to our fa - thers in dis - tress;  
 blows the wind and it is gone;  
 well our fee - ble frame He knows;  
 you be - hold Him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 praise Him, still the same for - ev - er,  
 but while mor - tals rise and per - ish,  
 in His hands He gent - ly bears us,  
 sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



who, like me, His praise should sing?  
 slow to chide and swift to bless;  
 God en - dures un - chang - ing on.  
 res - cues us from all our foes;  
 dwell - ers all in time and space,

Refrain:



(1-5) Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,



praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.  
 praise the High E - ter - nal One.  
 wide - ly as His mer - cy goes.  
 praise with us the God of grace.

 "Behold Our God"


1. Who has held the o - ceans in His hands?  
 2. Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord?  
 3. Who has felt the nails up - on His hand,



Who has num - bered ev - 'ry grain of sand?  
 Who can ques - tion an - y of His words?  
 bear - ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?



Kings and na - tions trem - ble at His voice.  
 Who can teach the One who knows all things?  
 God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave,



All cre - a - tion ris - es to re - joice.  
 Who can fath - om all His won - drous deeds?  
 Je - sus, Sav - ior, ris - en now to reign!



Be - hold our God, seat - ed on His throne. Come let us a -



dore Him. Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com



pare, come, let us a - dore \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

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## READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man

who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners,

nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

<sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law he meditates day and night.

<sup>3</sup>He is like a tree

planted by streams of water  
that yields its fruit in its season,  
and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

<sup>6</sup>for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

This is the Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**PRESENTATION OF THIRD GRADERS**

10:30 a.m.

Graham Baggett

Sims Bennett

Joe Bolt

Ethan Cooke

Henry Evans

Liliana Fante

Mary Frances Ford

Annie Getty

Mary Allison Hall

Christopher Rhodes Hand

Frannie Howell

Eliza Kanter

Lee Martin

Collier McBride

Vivi McBride

Carter McClure

Whit Peinhardt

Samuel Powell

Rhys Richardson

Billy Rust

John Stuermann

Watkins Thomas

Madison Thomason

Mae Magee Thrasher

Reynolds Thrasher

Harper Tomlinson

Eliza Trotter

Katherine Tullos

Garrett Walker Jr.

Fielding Welden

Isabel Weston

Wyatt Worrell

Elizabeth Young

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Most Merciful God,  
We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
Grant us a holy grief that honors you.  
Move us to genuine repentance for your Name's sake.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name.*

Leader: Hear us now, as we silently confess our sins.

### **Silent Confession**

## ☒ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

—Hebrews 10:14

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

## "My Help, My God"

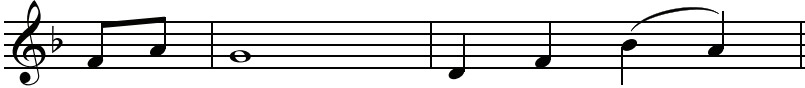
*Congregational Hymn*



1. Why are you so full of heav - i - ness?  
2. As the deer longs for the wa - ter brooks,  
3. Deep goes un - to deep like o - cean waves.  
4. I will say un - to my God, my strength,  
5. Yah - weh grants His kind - ness in the day.



Why are you dis - qui - et - ed with - in,  
so my soul, it longs and thirsts for You.  
All your floods and ra - pids on me break.  
"How is it You have for - got - ten me?  
Through the night His song it is with me.



oh my soul,	oh my soul? _____ (to v. 2)
Oh my soul,	oh my soul, _____ (chorus)
Oh my soul,	oh my soul, _____ (to v. 4)
Oh, how long?	Oh, how long?" _____ (chorus)
Oh my soul,	oh, my soul, _____ (chorus)

### Chorus:



Put your trust in God; I will yet give thanks to Him,



my help, my God.

# *The Sacrament of Baptism*

10:30 AM

*Sloane Christine Fante*

DAUGHTER OF JENNIFER AND JOE FANTE

*Grace Catherine Herold*

DAUGHTER OF ELLEN AND BRAD HEROLD

## 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 your child's behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now without reservation dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the truth and mystery of our holy faith, and that you will strive, by all the means which God has graciously given us, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE BAPTISM

THE PRAYER OF BLESSING

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

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

“JESUS LOVES ME”

Words: Anna Bartlett Warner (1859). Music: William B. Bradbury.

 **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the LORD be with you.  
*And also with you.*

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*See page 22 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 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 worship to join their parents for communion.

**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 PENTATEUCH**

Exodus 4:18-26; 5:1-2; 5:22-6:1

<sup>4:18</sup>Moses went back to Jethro his father-in-law and said to him, "Please let me go back to my brothers in Egypt to see whether they are still alive." And Jethro said to Moses, "Go in peace."<sup>19</sup>And the LORD said to Moses in Midian, "Go back to Egypt, for all the men who were seeking your life are dead."<sup>20</sup>So Moses took his wife and his sons and had them ride on a donkey, and went back to the land of Egypt. And Moses took the staff of God in his hand.

<sup>21</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt, see that you do before Pharaoh all the miracles that I have put in your power. But I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go."<sup>22</sup>Then you shall say to Pharaoh, "Thus says the LORD, Israel is my firstborn son,<sup>23</sup>and I say to you, "Let my son go that he may serve me." If you refuse to let him go, behold, I will kill your firstborn son."

<sup>24</sup>At a lodging place on the way the LORD met him and sought to put him to death.<sup>25</sup>Then Zipporah took a flint and cut off her son's foreskin and touched Moses' feet with it and said, "Surely you are a bridegroom of blood to me!"<sup>26</sup>So he let him alone. It was then that she said, "A bridegroom of blood," because of the circumcision.

<sup>5:1</sup>Afterward Moses and Aaron went and said to Pharaoh, "Thus says Yahweh, the God of Israel, 'Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to me in the wilderness.'" <sup>2</sup>But Pharaoh said, "Who is Yahweh, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know Yahweh, and moreover, I will not let Israel go."

<sup>22</sup>Then Moses turned to Yahweh and said, "O Yahweh, why have you done evil to this people? Why did you ever send me?" <sup>23</sup>For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people, and you have not delivered your people at all."

<sup>6:1</sup>But Yahweh said to Moses, “Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land.”

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 Luke 22:14-23; 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.*

"Still, My Soul Be Still"

*Liz Richardson, soloist*

Still, my soul be still, and do not fear  
Though winds of change may rage tomorrow;  
God is at your side, no longer dread  
The fires of unexpected sorrow.

Chorus:

God, You are my God,  
And I will trust in You and not be shaken;  
Lord of peace renew  
A steadfast spirit within me  
To rest in You alone.

Still, my soul be still, do not be moved  
By lesser lights and fleeting shadows;  
Hold on to His ways with shield of faith  
Against temptation's flaming arrows.  
(Chorus)

Still, my soul be still, do not forsake  
The truth you learned in the beginning;  
Wait upon the Lord and hope will rise  
As stars appear when day is dimming.

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"How Firm a Foundation"

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word;  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled.

Fear not I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee help thee and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
My grace all sufficient shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design,  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to His foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I will never, no never, no never forsake.

Words: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt. Music: J. Funk's A Compilation  
of Genuine Church Music, 1832, arr. Fernando Ortega.

 **BENEDICTION**

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: March 13 - 19, 2022

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### SUNDAY, March 13

8:00 a.m. Gathered Worship  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School (see page 20)  
10:30 a.m. Gathered Worship  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Sixth Grade Small Groups  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Jr. and Sr. High Small Groups  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Study: Remember Your Joy

### MONDAY, March 14

8:15 a.m. Women's Prayer Time (Parlor)

### TUESDAY, March 15

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, March 16

10:00 a.m. Church-wide Prayer Time (101)  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. **Wednesdays@Covenant**  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. 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  
**Church-wide Studies:**  
You Are Not Your Own: Redefining Identity (201)  
*Topic: Panel Discussion with Heather Hagins and Jason Peevey*  
God, His People, and Poverty Alleviation (Fellowship Hall)  
**Women's Studies:**  
Remember Your Joy (303)  
The Book of Isaiah (305)  
Remember Your Joy (Dining Room; 7:15 p.m.)

### THURSDAY, March 17

9:15 a.m. Enfold Book Discussion (Youth Room)

### FRIDAY, March 18 - SUNDAY, March 20

Discover Covenant Class

*Should you need pastoral assistance after our regular office hours, please contact our pastor on call at 205-874-3559 (Josh Johnson, March 14 - 20).*

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT | MARCH 13, 2022 | 8:00 & 10:30 AM

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Faith Promise Sunday.** Today is our second Faith Promise Commitment Sunday. Please place your commitment card in the offering plate, or you may bring it forward during communion and place it in the baskets provided. You also can mail in your commitment card to the church office.

**Giving to Ukraine.** If you would like to give to our brothers and sisters in Ukraine, we are collecting a special fund this month to give to Jim Peipon with Ukraine Medical Outreach and John Eide with MTW, Ukraine. You may give by sending in a check marked for "Ukraine" or online at [covpres.com/give](http://covpres.com/give) by typing "Ukraine" in the "Other..." field.

**Sandra McCracken Concert.** We are sold out for the Sandra McCracken concert on Sunday, March 20. We have several people on our wait listing if tickets become available. Should you at any point realize that you will not be able to attend the concert, please return your ticket(s) by clicking on the "Modify Reservation" link in the email you received from EventBrite and follow the instructions. Thank you!

**Sunday, March 27.** On Sunday, March 27, we will not have Sunday School, and we will have one gathered worship service at 10:30 a.m.

**Holy Week & Easter.** Please plan to join us for our services during Holy Week and on Easter morning. We will have our regular Sunday morning schedule on Palm Sunday, April 10. On Maundy Thursday, April 14, we will have a dinner and service beginning at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., respectively. Our Good Friday service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on April 15. And on Easter morning, April 17, we will have a Sunrise Service at 6:15 a.m. (Vulcan Park), a pancake breakfast at 7:00 (Fellowship Hall), and gathered worship services at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 (we will not have Sunday School that morning).

**Church-wide Memory Passage.** Our memory passage for the Season of Lent (March 2 - April 16) is Mark 10:44-45:

"...and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.  
For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life as a ransom for many."

## 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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David O'Dell	Charlie Logan	Jason Peevy
Norman Pless	Bob Schaffeld	Charlie Regan
Kurt Senn	John Smith T	Charles White
	Steve Stigler	

## DEACONS

2022	2023	2024
Jim Bennett	Tripp Alexander	Samuel Bragg
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Merrill Johnston	Richard Cox	Joe Fante
Randall Lancaster	Jay Evans	Steve Killgore
Mark Midyette	Bryan Flores	Robert Luttrell
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Matt Thomas	Joe Strickland	
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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.

### MARCH READING PLAN

1	□ 20-22	□ 9:30-50
2	□ 23-25	□ 10:1-34
3	□ 26-28	□ 10:35-52
4	□ 29-31	□ 11:1-14
5/6	□ 32-Deuteronomy 1	□ 11:15-12:27

### DEUTERONOMY

7	□ 2-4	□ 12:28-44
8	□ 5-8	□ 13:1-31
9	□ 9-11	□ 13:32-14:9
10	□ 12-13	□ 14:10-31
11	□ 14-16	□ 14:32-52
12/13	□ 17-22	□ 14:53-15:20
14	□ 23-25	□ 15:21-47
15	□ 26-28	□ 16

### LUKE

16	□ 29-31	□ 1:1-38
17	□ 32-33	□ 1:39-56
18	□ 34	□ 1:57-80

### JOSHUA

19/20	□ 1-4	□ 2
21	□ 5-6	□ 3:1-20
22	□ 7-8	□ 3:21-38
23	□ 9-10	□ 4:1-41
24	□ 11-12	□ 4:42-5:26
25	□ 13-14	□ 5:27-39
26/27	□ 15-18	□ 6:1-7:10
28	□ 19-21	□ 7:11-35
29	□ 22-24	□ 7:36-8:3

### JUDGES

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## SERMON RESOURCES

*Our pastors are using the following resources as they study and prepare for their sermons.*

*Exodus*, T. Desmond Alexander

*The Gospel of Exodus*, Michael P. V. Barrett

*The God who Makes Himself Known*, W. Ross Blackburn

*Exodus Old and New*, L. Michael Morales

*The Message of Exodus*, J. A. Motyer

*Exploring Exodus*, Nahum M. Sarna

*From Bondage to Liberty*, Anthony T. Selvaggio

*Exodus*, Christopher J. H. Wright

