The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

All Saints' Sunday November 3, 2019

And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.

—Isaiah 35:8

It reflects honor on the Son of God, and bespeaks his wonderful condescension, that, though he is the faithful witness, the truth itself, who may challenge to be credited upon his honor, and his own single testimony, yet he is pleased to waive his privilege, and, for the confirmation of our faith, refers himself to his vouchers, that we may have full satisfaction.

-Matthew Henry

In holiness God is more clearly seen than in anything else, save in the Person of Christ Jesus the Lord, of whose life such holiness is but a repetition.

—Charles Spurgeon

God's holiness means He is separate from sin. But holiness in God also means wholeness. God's holiness is His "God-ness." It is His being God in all that it means for Him to be God. To meet God in His holiness, therefore, is to be altogether overwhelmed by the discovery that He is God, and not man.

—Sinclair Ferguson

EXECUTE CALL TO WORSHIP

Dan Edwards

Psalm 96:1-9

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols. but the LORD made the heavens.

Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!"

MATHORITION

"Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert, and art and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
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Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)9. Music: John B. Dykes (1823-1876).

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Grace Harrelson

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

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

M HYMN OF GLORY

"Only a Holy God"



Words and Music: Johnny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, and Michael Farren.

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

1 Peter 1:13-21

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." ¹⁷And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

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

MATHORITY HONDOORHYMN OF SUPPLICATION

"Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"

Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition,
God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, They have left my savior too; Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not like them untrue; Oh, while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might, Foes may hate and friends disown me; Show thy face and all is bright.

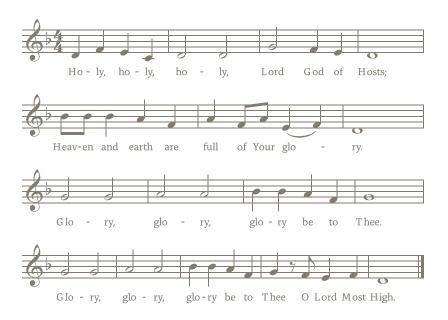
Man may trouble and distress me, Twill but drive me to thy breast; Life with trials hard may press me, Heaven will bring me sweeter rest. Oh 'tis not in grief to harm me While thy love is left to me; Oh 'twere not in joy to charm me, Were that joy unmixed with thee.

Go then, earthly fame and treasure; Come disaster, scorn and pain; In thy service pain is pleasure; With thy favor loss is gain. I have called thee Abba Father, I have stayed my heart on thee; Storms may howl and clouds may gather, All must work for good to me.

Words: Henry Lyte. Music: Bill Moore.

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"Sanctus" (Glory)



Words: Book of Common Prayer, alt. Music:Zac Hicks, 2016.

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.

Children's Worship Information:

Children ages 3 to 4 may attend Children's Worship for the entire worship service, while kindergarteners through 2nd graders are dismissed during the Passing of the Peace. Following the worship service, parents will find their children attending Children's Worship in the following rooms:

3K • C224/C225 (available for the entire worship hour)

4K • C221 (available for the entire worship hour)

Kindergarten • C221 (dismissed during the Passing of the Peace)*

1st & 2nd Grades • C316 (dismissed during the Passing of the Peace)*

*Children on the main level will dismiss through the door leading into the Fellowship Hall, and children in the balcony will dismiss through the door closest to the elevator.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors and members, please take a moment to fill out the pew pad with your full name and names of any family members attending with you. You may read all of our ministry announcements on page 20.

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Sandy Stradtman

On this All Saints' Sunday, we pray especially for those in our congregation who have lost loved ones during the past year.

For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

—*Ephesians* 2:18-19

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY REMEMBRANCE

Today, we remember those who have gone to be with our Heavenly Father within the past year (November 2018 through October 2019).

Reba Palmer Warren Gadd mother of Skip Warren

Justine Pitts Roe mother of Emily Strickland

Lex Williamson husband of Mary Williamson; brother of Maggie Brooke

Bobbie Dean Wallace mother of Connie Edwards

Donna Bowling Nathan wife of Johnny Nathan

Roxanne Raley Given wife of Perry Given

Joe Clinton Pendleton grandfather of Aaron Coffey

Carmen Clikas Phillip Mark Clikas parents of Marietta Peterson

Rachel Corey Hardee mother of Melanie Spooner

Jim Wall father of Katie Flores

Francis (Brother) Hare

Faye Stowers grandmother of Rachel Cuidon

Una Gehri Manley

Jean West mother of Alton Irwin

Leona Holman

Gene Parsons father of Cameron Hicks

Ken Squires father of K.C. Squires

Corinne McGee sister of Allison Willson

Tamela Kervin sister of John Shank

Regina Mae Kreuz mother of Steve Ankenbrandt

Linda Williamson Martin sister of Maggie Brooke

Eddie Powell father of Brent Powell

Merrill Johnston father of Merrill Johnston

Edmond Grant Johnston father of Brenda Hembree

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

John 5:30-47

"I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³¹If I alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true. ³²There is another who bears witness about me, and I know that the testimony that he bears about me is true. 33 You sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth. ³⁴Not that the testimony that I receive is from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. 35He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. ³⁶But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. ³⁷And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen, 38 and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent. ³⁹You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, 40 yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life. 41 I do not receive glory from people. ⁴²But I know that you do not have the love of God within you. ⁴³I have come in my Father's name, and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him. 44How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God? ⁴⁵Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope. 46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. 47 But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

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.

MESSAGE

"HOW WE KNOW HE'S TRUE"
Josh Johnson

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 communing but would like to participate, please come forward and 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.

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

Prayer of Confession

Dave Driskill

Father in Heaven, you are holy and Awesome is your name.

You are holy in all your works, and holiness adorns your dwelling place.

We come with contrite hearts to confess our utter unholiness;

Please forgive us for not revering your name, for forsaking your means of grace,
And for every sinful thought, word, and deed that proceeds from our heart.

O Lord, you are merciful and gracious

Abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness to your people;

Draw near to us, cast our sin as far as the east is from the west,
And restore to us the joy of your salvation,
For the sake of the Name of Jesus, we pray, Amen.

M Assurance of Pardon

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

—Hebrews 10:19-22

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.

M 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 Ghost,
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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

◯ Congregational Response

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen, amen.

Words of Institution

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

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.

"Open Our Eyes"





Words and Music: Bruce Benedict and Zachary Hicks.

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

May the mind of Christ, my Savior, Live in me from day to day, By His love and pow'r controlling, All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour to hour, So that all may see I triumph, Only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God, my Father, Rule my life in everything, That I may be calm to comfort, Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me, As the waters fill the sea; Him exalting, self abasing, This is victory.

May His beauty rest upon me, As I seek the lost to win, And may they forget the channel, Seeing only Him.

Words: Kate Wilkinson. Music: A. Cyril Barham-Gould.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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1.May the grace of Christ our Sav ior and the Fa ther's bound less love, 2.Thus may we a - bide in u-nion with each oth - er and_ the Lord,



with the Ho-ly Spir-it's fa-vor, rest up-on us from a-bove. and pos-sess, in sweet com-mu-nion, joys which earth can-not af-ford.

BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: November 3 - 9, 2019

SUNDAY, November 3

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 | Rising 3k through 2nd grades

12:00 p.m. College Sunday School & Lunch (meet in Commons)

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Jr. High & Sr. High Small Groups

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Study: God for Us (Dining Room)

MONDAY, November 4

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

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Congregational Dinner & Prayer (Fellowship Hall)

TUESDAY, November 5

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Women's Study: Divine Design Discipleship (S104)

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Women's Study: God for Us (E201)

WEDNESDAY, November 6

5:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays@Covenant

5:30-7:15 KidConnection (3K-6th grades; 3rd floor)

5:30 Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

5:30 Jr. High Activities (bring dinner to Youth Area)

6:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (S103)

6:15 Bible Study Options:

Marriage Enrichment (NOTE: this program is full)

Small Group Discussions

1. Sermon on the Mount (E201)

2. The Basics of the Christian Life (Dining Room)

6:45 Sr. High Activities (Youth Area) 7:45 Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Please see our full calendar of Covenant events at covpres.com/calendar.

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Every year, Christians around the world set aside a day of prayer for our sisters and brothers who are persecuted for their faith. Today is that day. The term "persecuted Christians" refers to any person who is harassed or attacked simply because they identify as being a Christian. Research suggests that more than 245 million Christians are persecuted. That is 1 in 9 Christians in the world today. Please pray for these brothers and sisters as they stand firm in their love for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Christmas in Fairfield. Christmas in Fairfield is a unique ministry that provides clothing for children in need and participating parents the opportunity to shop for gifts for their children at highly reduced prices. By participating in Christmas in Fairfield you will bless these families with the gift of giving! There are several ways to get involved: 1) sponsor a child, 2) donate funds to the toy shop, and 3) volunteer at the Christmas shop on December 6. Please stop by our information tables for more information (Sanctuary Foyer, Commons Area).

Creatif Artist Reception. Everyone is invited to a reception on November 10, immediately following our worship service for Kelley Alford, our newest featured artist. The reception, hosted by Creatif, Covenant's Art Guild, will be in the Dining Room. Come meet Kelly and learn about her art and her inspiration.

Youth Sponsored Chili Cookoff. Our annual Chili Cookoff is coming up Monday, November 11! This is a great time of fellowship, competition, and fundraising for our Youth Ministry. If you would like to enter the Chili Cookoff, please email Sara Litten with your team name (slitten@covpres.com). All proceeds will go toward youth events and mission trips.

Feast Not Famine Fall Market & Harvest Supper. Ladies, our fifth annual Feast Not Famine event is November 14! Join us for a fall market at 5:00 p.m. in the Commons, featuring the gifts and talents of Covenant ladies. Our harvest supper will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with guest speaker Betsy Childs Howard. Betsy grew up at Covenant and is an editor for *The Gospel Coalition*. If you did not receive an invitation, we have some in the church office. Please make your reservations at covpres.com/feastnotfamine.

Children's Movie Night. All 3rd-5th graders are invited to join us Friday, November 15 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. for pizza, popcorn, drinks, and a movie. Invite your friends to come! The cost is \$5/child. Please email Laura Tucker (ltucker@covpres.com) to RSVP.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Maps and directional signs are located around the church.

COLLEGE | COMMONS College students*

COMMUNITY | E305 All ages and life stages

CORNERSTONE | S104 30s and 40s

CROSSPOINTE | S100 Young families; 30s

FOUNDATIONS | E304 30s and 40s

LIGHTHOUSE | E301 30s and 40s

LIVING STONES | E303 40s and 50s

KINGDOM BUILDERS | E201 50s and 60s

OPEN DOORS | S105 70s and above

THRESHOLD | DINING ROOM Singles and young marrieds;

20s and 30s

UPPER ROOM | S101 60s and 70s

YOUTH | YOUTH AREA Students grades 7-12

^{*}College students gather in Commons Area at 12:00 for class and lunch.

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RULING ELDERS

2019 2020 2021 Ty Dedmon Bill Bennett Eric Getty Russell Martin Jeff Dyess Will Brooke Rick Flynn Michael Latta Daniel Murray Warren Norville Heath Henderson Charlie Logan Sandy Stradtman Tom McKnight Paul Loyless Clay Wheeler John Smith T Bob Schaffeld

Richard Thompson Lee Sheppard

Steve Stigler Mark Taylor John Wood

DEACONS

John Shank

2019

Nick Baggett Tripp Alexander Jim Bennett Ward Bailey Paul Darden Gary Gorham Samuel Bragg Jay Evans Keith Harrelson Bryan Flores Trey Clegg Jeff Hayes Will Graham Steve Killgore John Gant Jeff Hicks Steve Pfitzer John David Gray Jim Jenkins Brent Powell Marty Martin Alan Spooner **Bud Miller** Matt Searson

Tvler O'Connor

2020

2021

Patrick Strong

Todd Sitton John Shults
William Slappey Danny Smith
Billy Tapscott Robert Stephens
Darrell Tucker 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 2019.

NOVEMBER READING PLAN

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	JEREMIAH	TITUS	
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		HEBREWS	
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13	□ 4-6	□ 10:1-25	
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15	□ 10-12	□ 11:1-22	
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20	□ 22-23	□ 2	
21	□ 24-26	□ 3	
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		1 PETER	
25	□ 34-35	□ 2	
26	□ 36-37	□ 3	
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28	□ 40	□ 5	
		2 PETER	
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