

The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The limp is the posture of the saint, walking not in physical strength but in spiritual strength. God's severe mercy allows Jacob a victory, but it is a crippling victory.

—Bruce Waltke

...godliness with contentment is great gain.

—The Apostle Paul, 1 Timothy 6:6

I believe...in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds;
God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God;
Begotten, not made;
Being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made...

—from The Nicene Creed

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
 Serve the LORD with gladness!
 Come into his presence with singing!

All: *Know that the LORD, he is God!
 It is he who made us, and we are his;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
 and his courts with praise!
 Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: *For the LORD is good;
 his steadfast love endures forever,
 and his faithfulness to all generations.*

☒ A DOXOLOGY

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (verse 3)

O enter then His gates with joy,
 Within His courts His praise proclaim!
 Let thankful songs your tongues employ,
 O bless and magnify His name!

Words: William Kethe. Music: Old 100th.

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*

☒ PRAYER OF ADORATION

☒ HYMNS OF ADORATION

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth your scepter claim;
All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain;
Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn,
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
"Holy, holy, holy, Lord!"

Lo! The apostolic train
Join Thy sacred Name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
And the blessed martyrs follow;
And from morn to set of sun,
Through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee,
Still, one holy voice is heard;
Undivided God, we claim Thee,
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we sing this mystery.

Words: original 4th century, attr. Ignaz Franz (1719-1790); tr. Clarence A. Walworth (1820-1900). Music: Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1774 (GROSSER GOTT).

 "Only A Holy God"


1. Who else com mands all the hosts of heav en?
2. What oth - er beau - ty de-mands such prais es?
3. What oth - er glo - ry con-sumes like fi - re?
4. Who else could res - cue me from my fail ure?



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down?
 What oth - er splen - dor out-shines the sun?
 What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead?
 Who else would of - fer His on - ly Son?



Who else can whis - per and dark-ness trem-bles?
 What oth - er maj - es - ty rules with jus - tice?
 What oth - er name re-mains un - de - feat - ed?
 Who else in- vites me to call Him Fa - ther?



On - ly a Ho - ly God. *1 - to v. 2*
2, 3, 4 - to chorus

CHORUS:



Come and be - hold Him, the One and the On - ly.



Cry out, sing ho - ly, for - ev - er a Ho - ly God.



Come and wor - ship the Ho - ly God.

Words and Music: Johnny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, and Michael Farren. CCLI 7073332.

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Isaiah 6:1-7

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.”

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

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

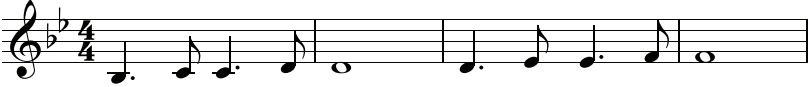
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

—2 Corinthians 5:17-21

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.

"The Power of the Cross"

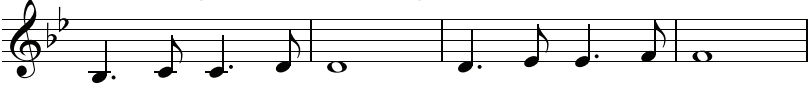
Congregational Hymn



1.Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day:
 2.Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
 3.Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath
 4.Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
 bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin;
 quakes as its Mak - er bows His head.
 for through Your suf - fring I am free.

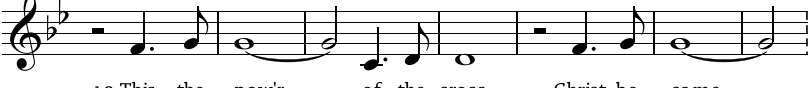


Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en, then
 ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry ev - il deed
 Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
 Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood.
 crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
 "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
 won through Your self - less love.

Chorus:



1,2.This the pow'r_____ of the cross: Christ be - came_____
 3.This the pow'r_____ of the cross: Son of God,_____



sin for us, took the blame,_____ bore the wrath;
 slain for us. What a love!_____ What a cost!



we stand for - giv - en at the cross.
 we stand for - giv - en at the cross.

 **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the LORD be with you.

And also with you.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

See page 16 for all of our Ministry Announcements. Please fill out the attendance sheet provided with your worship guide and leave it in your pew or at your table.

Children's Worship | 10:30 a.m. Children ages 3 years old (by 9/1/2020) 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 the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall, prior to communion, 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 PENTATEUCH

Genesis 33

And Jacob lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, Esau was coming, and four hundred men with him. So he divided the children among Leah and Rachel and the two female servants. ²And he put the servants with their children in front, then Leah with her children, and Rachel and Joseph last of all. ³He himself went on before them, bowing himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

⁴But Esau ran to meet him and embraced him and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept. ⁵And when Esau lifted up his eyes and saw the women and children, he said, "Who are these with you?" Jacob said, "The children whom God has graciously given your servant." ⁶Then the servants drew near, they and their children, and bowed down. ⁷Leah likewise and her children drew near and bowed down. And last Joseph and Rachel drew near, and they bowed down. ⁸Esau said, "What do you mean by all this company that I met?" Jacob answered, "To find favor in the sight of my lord." ⁹But Esau said, "I have enough, my brother; keep what you have for yourself." ¹⁰Jacob said, "No, please, if I have found favor in your sight, then accept my present from my hand. For I have seen your face, which is like seeing the face of God, and you have accepted me. ¹¹Please accept my blessing that is brought to you, because God has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough." Thus he urged him, and he took it.

¹²Then Esau said, "Let us journey on our way, and I will go ahead of you." ¹³But Jacob said to him, "My lord knows that the children are frail, and that the nursing flocks and herds are a care to me. If they are driven hard for one day, all the flocks will die. ¹⁴Let my lord pass on ahead of his servant, and I will lead on slowly, at the pace of the livestock that are ahead of me and at the pace of the children, until I come to my lord in Seir."

¹⁵So Esau said, "Let me leave with you some of the people who are with me." But he said, "What need is there? Let me find favor in the sight of my lord." ¹⁶So Esau returned that day on his way to Seir. ¹⁷But Jacob

journeyed to Succoth, and built himself a house and made booths for his livestock. Therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.

¹⁸And Jacob came safely to the city of Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, on his way from Paddan-aram, and he camped before the city. ¹⁹And from the sons of Hamor, Shechem's father, he bought for a hundred pieces of money the piece of land on which he had pitched his tent. ²⁰There he erected an altar and called it El-Elohe-Israel.

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

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

Words of Institution

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

Our Confident Access

In Jesus, the Son of God, we have a sympathetic, great high priest who lives for us. He was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. Let us, therefore, with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

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.
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.

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

Chorus:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the 'whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

(Chorus, twice)

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

(Chorus, twice)

Words: Edward Mote, 1834. Music: William B. Bradbury, 1863.

"Revelation 22:20-21"

Verse:

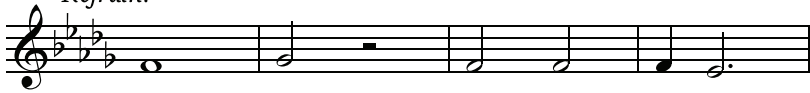
He who tes - ti - fies to these things says,



"Sure - ly I am com - ing__ soon."



"Sure - ly I am com - ing__ soon."__

Refrain:

A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus!



A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus, come!

Bridge:

The grace of__ the Lord Je - sus be with all.



The grace of__ the Lord Je - sus be with all.

Words: Revelation 22:20-21. Music: Adam Wright.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: July 11 - July 17, 2021

SUNDAY, July 11

8:00 a.m.	Gathered Worship
9:15 a.m.	All Covenant Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m.	Gathered Worship

MONDAY, July 12 -

FRIDAY, July 16

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Game On (ends July 15)
9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Created for a Purpose (Session I)
2:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Created for a Purpose (Session II)

WEDNESDAY, July 14

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Covenant Prayer Time (S100)
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Summer RUF B'ham

Should you need pastoral assistance after our regular office hours, please contact our pastor on call at 205-874-3559 (Marty Crawford, July 12 - 18).

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

July/August Sunday School. From July 11 through August 8, we are having All Covenant Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays at 9:15 a.m. for all of our Sunday School Communities, including children's and youth classes (nursery care will be available, but there will be no separate children's and youth classes). We will be studying a number of passages from the Old Testament (see page 17) as we gather for joint Sunday School, spanning children to older adults, so that we can fellowship with one another and hear and engage with God's Word together. Everyone is invited to participate in our All Covenant Sunday School on Sunday mornings!

Scripture Memory. Our church-wide memory passage is Titus 2:11-14. We will be memorizing these verses from now through August 8. Pick up a memory verse card pack in the Sanctuary foyer to help you memorize our verses. These beautiful cards can be framed, hung on your fridge, or stuck to a mirror to remind you of the scriptures we are learning together as a church body.

"ONE-ANOTHERING"

ALL COVENANT SUNDAY SCHOOL



July 11 - August 8

ALL ages* are invited to attend our Family-Style
Sunday School together in the Fellowship Hall.

THE GOLDEN CALF (WE BECOME WHAT WE WORSHIP)

July 11 | Exodus 32

Focus: We all worship something, and
we often start to look (and sound) like what we worship.

EHUD THE LEFT-HAND SUPER ASSASSIN (AND THE DUNG CAME OUT)

July 18 | Judges 3

Focus: God's deliverer who brings salvation and rest for God's people.

SAMSON (VICTORY THROUGH DEATH)

July 25 | Judges 13-16

Focus: Samson, the great deliverer, whose greatest victory
came through his self-sacrificing death (hello, JESUS!).

HANNAH AND SAMUEL (LISTENING TO GOD'S VOICE)

August 1 | 1 Samuel 1-6

Focus: God listens to Hannah's cries and speaks to young Samuel—
God hears us and delights to speak to us in His Word.

DANCING DAVID (JOYFUL WORSHIP LIKE NOBODY IS WATCHING)

August 8 | 2 Samuel 6

Focus: God delights in joyful worship in His presence—
we are invited to celebrate like nobody is watching!

*Nursery care is available; Children's & Youth Sunday School classes will not meet separately.

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Clay Wheeler	David O'Dell	Charlie Logan
	Norman Pless	Bob Schaffeld
	Kurt Senn	John Smith T
		Steve Stigler

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2021	2022	2023
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Ward Bailey	William Edwards	Joseph Cascio
Samuel Bragg	Merrill Johnston	Richard Cox
Trey Clegg	Randall Lancaster	Jay Evans
Will Graham	Mark Midyette	Bryan Flores
Jeff Hicks	Stephen Mince	Gary Gorham
Jim Jenkins	Clyde Prather	Jeff Hayes
Alan Spooner	John Shank	John Shults
Patrick Strong	Matt Thomas	Joe Strickland
	Greg Tomlinson	Darrell Tucker

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Will Brooke, Member At-large	Michael Latta, Clerk of the Session
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Ty Dedmon, Shepherding Ministry Chair	Bob Schaffeld, Missions Ministry Chair
David Driskill, Pastoral Liaison (Shepherding)	John Shank, Finance Committee Chair
Robby Holt, Moderator of the Session	Lee Sheppard, Personnel Committee Chair
John Fountain, Pastoral Liaison (Family)	John Smith T, Assistant Clerk of the Session

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 2021.

JULY READING PLAN

	JOB	ACTS
1	□ 24-25	□ 11
2	□ 26-27	□ 12
3/4	□ 28-33	□ 13
5	□ 34-36	□ 14
6	□ 37-38	□ 15
7	□ 39-40	□ 16:1-15
8	□ 41-Psalm 1	□ 16:16-40
	PSALMS	
9	□ 2-3	□ 17:1-15
10/11	□ 4-9	□ 17:16-34
12	□ 10-12	□ 18
13	□ 13-15	□ 19
14	□ 16-18	□ 20:1-16
15	□ 19-22	□ 20:17-38
16	□ 23-24	□ 21:1-16
17/18	□ 25-29	□ 21:17-36
19	□ 30-32	□ 21:37-23:11
20	□ 33-35	□ 23:12-35
21	□ 36-38	□ 24
22	□ 39-41	□ 25
23	□ 42-43	□ 26
24/25	□ 44-49	□ 27:1-32
26	□ 50-52	□ 27:33-28:10
27	□ 53-55	□ 28:11-31
		ROMANS
28	□ 56-58	□ 1
29	□ 59-61	□ 2
30	□ 62-64	□ 3
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