The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Season of Epiphany January 27, 2019

To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable, because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you.

—C.S. Lewis

I have now concentrated all my prayers into one, and that one prayer is this, that I may die to self, and live wholly to Him.

—Charles Spurgeon

I often pray, "Lord, make me as holy as a pardoned sinner can be."
—Robert Murray M'Cheyne

I should as soon expect a farmer to prosper in business who contented himself with sowing his fields and never looking at them till harvest, as expect a believer to attain much holiness who was not diligent about his Bible reading, his prayers, and the use of his Sundays.

—J.C. Ryle

Man's holiness is now his greatest happiness, and in heaven man's greatest happiness will be his perfect holiness.

—Thomas Brooks

⊠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Iosh Iohnson

RESPONSIVE READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 86:6-12

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.

In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me.

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;

unite my heart to fear your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

and I will glorify your name forever.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks he to God

M HYMN OF PRAISE

"Come Thou Almighty King"



Words: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, additional lyrics by Zac Hicks. Music: John B. Dykes, 1861, alt. Zac Hicks, 2018.

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M PRAYER OF ADORATION

RESPONSIVE READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Taylor Brown

Isaiah 1:2-4,18

Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken: "Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me.

The ox knows its owner, and the donkey its master's crib, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand."

Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, children who deal corruptly!

They have forsaken the LORD, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are utterly estranged.

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;

though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

M HYMN OF INVITATION

"Come, Ye Sinners"

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak, and wounded, sick, and sore; Jesus ready, stands to save you, Full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Come ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, Every grace that brings you nigh.

Chorus:

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms; In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, Lost and ruined by the fall; If you tarry 'til you're better, You will never come at all. (*Chorus*)

Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream, All the fitness He requireth Is to feel your need of Him. (Chorus, twice)

In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

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READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 7:36-50

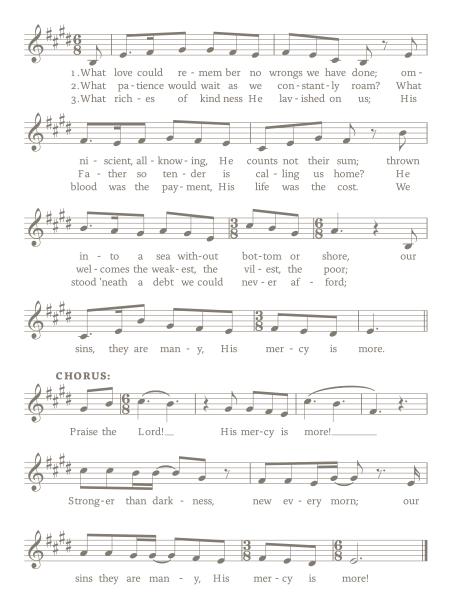
One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. ³⁷And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

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

MHYMN OF GOD'S MERCY

"His Mercy is More"



Words and Music: Matt Boswell and Matt Papa, 2016.

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"Create in Me" Chancel Choir

Create in me a clean heart, O God. And renew a right spirit in me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, And take not Thy holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, And uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Create in me, O God.

Words: Psalm 51:10-12. Music: Terre Johnson.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

Marty Crawford

Nick Baggett*
Ward Bailey
Samuel Bragg*
Trey Clegg
Will Graham
Jim Jenkins*
Alan Spooner
Patrick Strong

QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

from the Book of Church Order

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?

^{*}These men will be both ordained and installed.

- 4. Do you accept the office of deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity, and edification of the Church?

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which the office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this church, entitles them?

PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

CHARGE TO OFFICERS AND TO THE CONGREGATION

MASSING 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 20.

Kindergarteners - 2nd graders are dismissed at this time (see page 20 for details).

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Heath Henderson

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Ephesians 4:17-24

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!—²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

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

"A NEW PERSON"		
Sandy Willson		

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

David Driskill

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father,
Who is holy
and Who has called us to a holy life,
we confess that our thoughts, words, and deeds
have often been unholy and grievous in Your sight.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent of our iniquity.
Please renew our hearts
that we may evermore love You and walk closely with You,
to the glory of Your beloved Son,
in Whose holy Name we pray. Amen.

M Assurance of Pardon

Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

—1 Peter 5:5b

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.

"Rock of Ages"

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

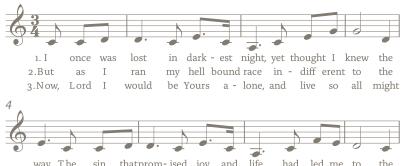
Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the Fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

Words: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776; alt. by Thomas Cotterill, 1815. Music: *TOPLADY*; Thomas Hastings, 1830.

"All I Have is Christ"



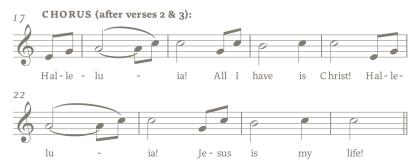
way. The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the cost, You looked up on my help-less state and led me to the see the strength to fol-low Your commands could nev-er come from



grave. I had no hope that You would own a re-bel to Your cross. And I be-held God's love dis played; You suff-ered in my me. Oh Fa-ther use my ran-somed life in an - y way You



will, and if You had not loved me first, I would re-fuse You still. place. You bore the wrath re served for me, now all I know is grace. choose, and let my song for - ev - er be, "My on - ly boast is You."



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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: January 27 - February 2, 2019

SUNDAY, January 27

8:45 a.m. Coffee Fellowship (Commons)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages and stages (see page 24)

10:30 a.m. Gathered Worship (Sanctuary)

Children's Worship | 3K through 2nd grade

5:00-5:30 p.m. Congregational Prayer Time (Fellowship Hall)

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

MONDAY, January 28

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

TUESDAY, January 29

6:30 a.m. Sr. High Bible Study (Youth Room)

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

11:30 a.m. Women's Study: The Letters of John (E201)

WEDNESDAY, January 30

12:00 p.m. Children's Ministry Prayer Time (Children's Ministry Office)

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: baked chicken, green beans,

roasted potatoes, salad

6:00-7:15 | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:15-7:15 | Jr. High Bible Study (Youth Room)

Adult Bible Study | Scripture: What is the Bible

and how did we get it?

(E201)

^{*}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)

Congregational Prayer Time. Covenant is committed to dedicating time to pray for our church body, our staff, our leadership, and our community. Join us tonight as we gather for congregational prayer at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ages are welcome!

College Sunday School Community. Our College Sunday School hour resumes today from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Lunch is provided during class.

Youth Small Groups. Our junior high and senior high small groups resume tonight at 5:00 p.m. Please contact Sara Litten at slitten@covpres.com if your 6th through 12th grader is not currently in a small group and is interested in joining one.

Wednesdays@Covenant. Join us midweek for dinner at 5:30 p.m., choir rehearsal at 6:00, and youth activities and adult Bible study at 6:15. Choir rehearsal and Bible study end at 7:15. KidConnection, our children's meal and activities, is from 5:30-7:15 p.m. on the third floor, and you can register children at covpres.com/weekly-activities.

2019 Missions Festival. Covenant's annual Missions Festival is February 9-13! Joe Novenson of Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church (Lookout Mountain, TN) will be our guest speaker, and he will be speaking on "The Condition and the Calling," focusing on Genesis 17:1-14 and Proverbs 11:30. We have almost 20 missionary partners joining us this year, and there are many ways that you can help with the festival! Please visit covpres.com/missions-festival to find our more information and to sign up.

Sacred Studio. Ladies, you can still sign up for Sacred Studio (Created for a Purpose for women!) at sacredstudio.org. February 22-23 will be filled with worship, music, and creativity...you don't want to miss it!

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Maps and directional signs are located around the church.

College students

COLLEGE | DINING ROOM*

All ages and life stages COMMUNITY | E305 30s and 40s CORNERSTONE | S104 20s and 30s CROSSPOINTE | S100 FOUNDATIONS | E304 30s and 40s 30s and 40s LIGHTHOUSE | E301 LIVING STONES | E303 40s and 50s 50s and 60s KINGDOM BUILDERS | E201 OPEN DOORS | S105 70s and above UPPER ROOM | S101 60s and 70s

THRESHOLD | DINING ROOM Singles and young marrieds;

20s and 30s

YOUTH | YOUTH AREA Students grades 7-12

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

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2019 2020 2021

Ty Dedmon Bill Bennett Eric Getty

Jeff Dyess Will Brooke Russell Martin

Rick Flynn Michael Latta Daniel Murray

Heath Henderson Charlie Logan Warren Norville

Tom McKnight Paul Loyless Sandy Stradtman

John Smith T Bob Schaffeld Richard Thompson Lee Sheppard

Steve Stigler

Mark Taylor

John Wood

DEACONS

2018 2019 2020

Brandon Bishop Jim Bennett Tripp Alexander
Nathan Collums Gary Gorham Paul Darden
John Harrelson Keith Harrelson Jay Evans
Randall Lancaster Jeff Hayes Bryan Flores
Matt Searson Steve Killgore John Gant

Patrick Strong Steve Pfitzer John David Gray
Darrell Tucker Brent Powell Marty Martin

John Shank
Bud Miller
Todd Sitton
Tyler O'Connor
William Slappey
John Shults
Billy Tapscott
Danny Smith
Robert Stephens

Clark Worrell

Clay Wheeler

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.

JANUARY READING PLAN

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	EXODUS	MATTHEW
26/27	□ 11–15	□ 18:21-19:15
28	□ 16-18	□ 19:16-30
29	□ 19-21	□ 20:1-16
30	□ 22-24	□ 20:17-34
31	□ 25-26	□ 21:1-22
FEBRUARY READ	DING PLAN	
1	□ 27-28	□ 21:23-46
2/3	□ 29-33	□ 22
4	□ 34-36	□ 23:1-22
5	□ 37-38	□ 23:23-29
6	□ 39-40	□ 24:1-22
	LEVITICUS	
7	□ 1-3	□ 24:23-51
8	□ 4-6	□ 25:1-30
9/10	□ 7-12	□ 25:31-26:19
11	□ 13	□ 26:20-56
12	□ 14	□ 26:57-75
13	□ 15-17	□ 27:1-31
14	□ 18-19	□ 27:32-66
15	□ 20-21	□ 28
		MARK
16/17	□ 22-25	□1
18	□ 26-27	□ 2
	NUMBERS	
19	□ 1-2	□ 3:1-21
20	□ 3-4	□ 3:22-35
21	□ 5-6	□ 4:1-20
22	□ 7	□ 4:21-41
23/24	□ 8-13	□ 5
25	□ 14-16	□ 6:1-31
26	□ 17-19	□ 6:33-56
27	□ 20-22	□ 7
28	□ 23-35	□ 8:1-21