The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Season of the Trinity July 7, 2019

Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe. —Saint Augustine

Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times.

-Martin Luther

Through faith in the Lord Jesus alone can we obtain forgiveness of our sins, and be at peace with God; but, believing in Jesus, we become, through this very faith, the children of God; have God as our Father, and may come to Him for all the temporal and spiritual blessings which we need.

—George Muller

The great thing about faith in God is that it keeps a man undisturbed in the midst of disturbance.

—Oswald Chambers

Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.

-Corrie ten Boom

CALL TO WORSHIP

David Driskill

M Congregation stand as able.

MHYMN OF TRUST

"How Firm a Foundation"



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

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Justin Richardson

Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food,

the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls,

yet I will rejoice in the LORD;

I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

GOD, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's;

he makes me tread on my high places.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

© CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His Word; Just to rest upon His promise, And to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Refrain:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh for grace to trust Him more!

Words: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882. Music: William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882.

M PRAYER OF ADORATION

FIRST READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Hebrews 11:1-3, 6, 8-13

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. ¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

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

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"By Faith" Soloist and Congregation





Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend.

M 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

Summer Children's Worship is available for rising 4K through 3rd grades. Please read the details below regarding dismissal from the sanctuary and classroom assignments. If you are a guest and have not checked your child into our system, please visit the nursery welcome desk (1st floor) to receive a name tag and pickup details.

- Rising 4K & Kindergarten | C221; available for the entire worship hour
- Rising 1st through 3rd | 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 21.

REPORT FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Will Brooke

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Tom McKnight

SECOND READING FROM THE EPISTLES

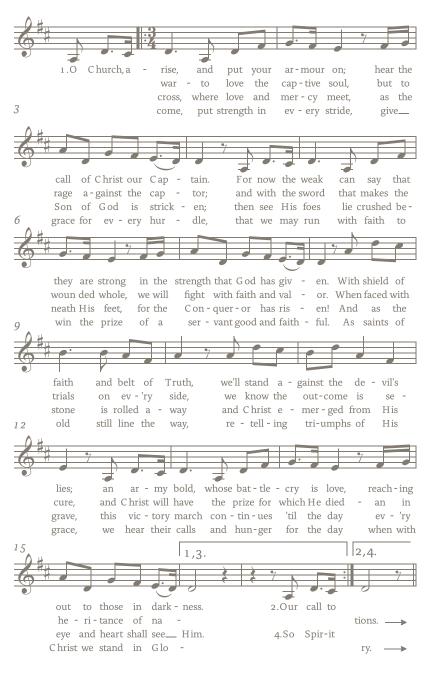
Ephesians 6:16

In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one.

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

SONG OF EXHORTATION

"O Church, Arise"





Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty, 2016.

MESSAGE

"EXTINGUISHING THE FLAMING DARTS"			
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. 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

Dan Edwards

Almighty God, Whose faithfulness reaches to the heavens, and Who has called us to trust You in every circumstance, we acknowledge and confess with deep sorrow that we have not trusted You as we ought, but rather have often relied upon the devices and desires of our own hearts. Please forgive us for our foolish ways, and restore us to a loving, trusting walk with You, that Your faithfulness may be evidenced in our obedience, through Jesus Christ, our faithful Savior. Amen.

M Assurance of Pardon

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

-Ephesians 2:8-9

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.

Mathematical 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.

M Gloria Patri

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.

"We Will Feast"

Refrain:

We will feast in the house of Zion,
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things,"
We will say together,
We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God. We are not consumed by the flood, Upheld, protected, gathered up. (Refrain)

In the dark of night before the dawn, My soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh how long?
O God of Jacob, be my strength.
(Refrain)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful One And from the garden to the grave, Bind us together, bring shalom. (Refrain)

Words: Sandra McCracken, 2014. Music: Sandra McCracken and Josh Moore, 2014.

M PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

We will stand as children of the promise, We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward; Till the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: July 7 - 13, 2019

SUNDAY, July 7

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 4k through 3rd grades

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Sr. High Throw & Grow (location varies)

6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Women's Study: Even Better Than Eden (Dining Room)

MONDAY, July 8

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Created for a Purpose*

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Women's Study: From Garden to Glory

(dinner \$6; Dining Room)

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. College Dinner & Study

at the Dyess' home (3408 Water Oak Dr, 35243)

TUESDAY, July 9

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Created for a Purpose*

WEDNESDAY, July 10

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Created for a Purpose*

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Jr. High In the House (location varies)

6:00 - 7:15 p.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Women's Summer Salad Supper

Elizabeth Johnson sharing at the home of Kim Luttrell

(10 West Montcrest Dr. 35213) Created for a Purpose*

THURSDAY. July 11

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Created for a Purpose*

FRIDAY, July 12

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Created for a Purpose*

*pre-registration required

MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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

Women's Summer Salad Suppers. Ladies, join us for Summer Salad Suppers this Wednesday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. Elizabeth Johnson will be sharing at the home of Kim Luttrell (10 West Montcrest Dr, 35213). Visit covpres.com/womens-ministry for the full schedule.

College Dinner & Study. Our College Ministry is meeting this summer on Monday evenings for Bible study and dinner at the Dyess' home (3408 Water Oak Dr, 35243). All college age students are welcome.

Summer Chancel Choir. Summer choir is a no-strings-attached opportunity to see if choir might be an area in which you'd like to serve in the coming year. Our next rehearsal is this Wednesday, July 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room, and we will sing the following Sunday, July 14. In August we will rehearse twice (August 7 and 10) and sing Sunday morning and evening August 11 during worship and during our Hymn Sing.

Youth Pray for Me Campaign. The vision of the Pray for Me campaign is that every young person in the church would have a team of adult believers serving as their prayer champions. We will launch this campaign in August, but we are asking you to sign up now to help us pair prayer champions with students. We are recruiting people from every generation to participate. If you are a youth parent, we will pair you with someone that is not your student. Find out more and sign up by emailing John Fountain (jfountain@covpres.com) or Sara Litten (slitten@covpres.com).

New Members' Class. If you would like to become a member of Covenant, our next New Members' Class is scheduled for September 20-22. We will meet Friday 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, and Sunday during the Sunday School hour. We will conclude with lunch on Sunday from 12:00-1:30 p.m. Nursery childcare will be provided for each session. Please email Victoria Williams to register for the class (ywilliams@covpres.com).

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Maps and directional signs are located around the church.

COLLEGE | SENIOR College students
PASTOR'S OFFICE

COMMUNITY | E305 All ages and life stages

CORNERSTONE | S104 30s and 40s

CROSSPOINTE | S100 20s and 30s

FOUNDATIONS | E304 30s and 40s

LIGHTHOUSE | E301 3os and 4os

LIVING STONES | E303 40s and 50s

KINGDOM BUILDERS | E201 5os and 6os

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

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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.

JULY READING PLAN

JOEI READING FEAR			
	JOB	ACTS	
1	□ 21-22	□ 10:1-23	
2	□ 23-24	□ 10:24-48	
3	□ 25-26	□ 11	
4	□ 27-29	□ 12	
5	□ 30-32	□ 13:1-25	
6/7	□ 33-37	□ 13:26-14:28	
8	□ 38-39	□ 15:1-21	
9	□ 40-42	□ 15:22-41	
	PSALMS		
10	□ 1-3	□ 16:1-15	
11	□ 4-6	□ 16:16-40	
12	□ 7-9	□ 17:1-15	
13/14	□ 10-16	□ 17:16-18:28	
15	□ 17-18	□ 19:1-20	
16	□ 19-21	□ 19:21-41	
17	□ 22-24	□ 20:1-16	
18	□ 25-27	□ 20:17-38	
19	□ 28-30	□ 21:1-16	
20/21	□ 31-35	□ 21:17-22:30	
22	□ 36-37	□ 23:1-11	
23	□ 38-40	□ 23:12-35	
24	□ 41-43	□ 24	
25	□ 44-46	□ 25	
26	□ 47-49	□ 26	
27/28	□ 50-55	□ 27	
29	□ 56-58	□ 28:1-16	
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		ROMANS	
31	□ 62-64	□1	