

The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"The glory of God is man fully alive. If the revelation of God through creation already brings life to all living beings on the earth, how much more will the manifestation of the Father by the Word bring life to those who see God.

—Irenaeus

"The correlation between the ascension of Christ and the descent of the Spirit signals that the gift and gifts of the Spirit serve as the external manifestation of the triumph and enthronement of Christ."

—Sinclair B.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

—Jesus, John 15:5

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

8:00 | *Rev. David Driskill*

10:30 | *Rev. Marty Crawford*

☒ RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 96:1-6, 9

Leader: 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.

*All: Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!*

Leader: 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.

*All: Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!*

☒ PRAYER OF ADORATION

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*

☒ HYMNS OF ADORATION

"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"



1. Give to our God im - mor - tal__ praise;
2. He built the earth, He__ spread the__ sky,
3. He fills the sun with_ morn - ing__ light;
4. He sent His Son with_ pow'r to__ save



mer - cy and truth are all His ways;
and fixed the star - ry lights on high:
He bids the moon di - rect the night;
from guilt and dark - ness and the grave;



won - ders of grace to__ God_ be - long;
won - ders of grace to__ God_ be - long;
His mer - cies ev - er__ shall en - dure,
won - ders of grace to__ God_ be - long;



re - peat His mer - cies in your song.
re - peat His mer - cies in your song.
when suns and moons shall shine no more.
re - peat His mer - cies in your song.

 "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Hosea 14:1-8

Return, O Israel, to Yahweh your God,
for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

²Take with you words
and return to Yahweh;
say to him,

“Take away all iniquity;
accept what is good,
and we will pay with bulls
the vows of our lips.

³Assyria shall not save us;
we will not ride on horses;
and we will say no more, ‘Our God,’
to the work of our hands.
In you the orphan finds mercy.”

⁴I will heal their apostasy;
I will love them freely,
for my anger has turned from them.

⁵I will be like the dew to Israel;
he shall blossom like the lily;
he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon;

⁶his shoots shall spread out;
his beauty shall be like the olive,
and his fragrance like Lebanon.

⁷They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow;
they shall flourish like the grain;
they shall blossom like the vine;
their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

⁸O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols?
It is I who answer and look after you.
I am like an evergreen cypress;
your fruit comes from me.

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
We acknowledge and confess before you;
Our sinful nature quick to do evil and slow to do good;
All our shortcomings and offenses are before you at all times.
You alone know how often we have sinned;
In wandering from your ways;
In wasting your gifts;
In forgetting your love.
O Lord, have mercy upon us;
For in our sin we have displeased you.
Turn us to yourself.
Cleanse us from our secret faults;
And forgive our sins;
For the sake of your dear Son.
And, most holy and loving Father,
Cause us to live in your light and walk in your ways;
In keeping with the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord,
According to the promised grace of the Holy Spirit, Amen.*

☒ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

—1 John 1:9

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.

☒ 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.*

☒ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"Grace Unmeasured"

Congregational Hymn



1. Grace un-meas-ured, vast and free, that knew me from e -
2. Grace a-bound-ing, strong and true, that makes me long to



ter - ni - ty, that called me out be - fore my birth to
be__ like You, that turns me from my self - ish pride to



bring You glo - ry on__ this earth.
love the cross on which You died.



Grace a - maz - ing, pure and deep, that saw me in my
Grace un-end - ing all my days; You'll give me strength to



mis - er - y, that took my curse and owned my blame so
run__ this race, and when my years on earth are through, the



I could bear Your right - eous name.
praise will all be - long__ to You.

Chorus:

Men: Grace _____

Women: (Grace, grace, grace) paid for my sins and brought me to life, —

Grace _____

(Grace, grace, grace) clothes me with pow'r — to do what is right; —

Grace _____

(Grace, grace, grace) will lead me to heav'n — where I'll see Your — face,

and nev - er cease to thank You for Your — grace. —

 **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the LORD be with you.

And also with you.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

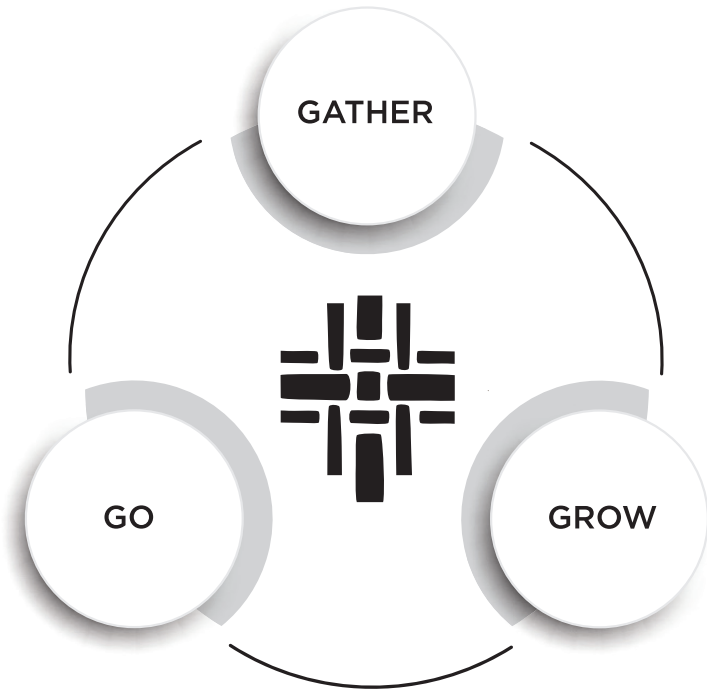
See page 20 for all of our Ministry Announcements. Please fill out the attendance pad in your pew and pass it down.

Children's Worship. Children in 3K (3 years old by 9/1/2022) 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 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

We **GATHER, GROW, and GO**
in Christ Jesus into all things



READING FROM THE EPISTLES

1 Corinthians 3:6-9, 16

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

¹⁶Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?

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.*

Ephesians 5:25-32

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.

MESSAGE

Robby Holt

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Congregation, please read aloud the portions that are *italicized*.

Words of Institution

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

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.

"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.

"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"



1.What gift of grace is Je - sus my Re - deem - er!
2.The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en,
3.No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en.
4.With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus,



There is no more for heav - en now to give.
for by my side the Sav - ior, He will stay.
The fu - ture sure, the price, it has been paid.
for He has said that He will bring me home.



He is my joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom,
I lab - or on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing,
For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my par - don,
And day by day I know He will re - new me



my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace.
for in my need, His pow - er is dis - played.
and He was raised to o - ver - throw the grave!
un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne!



To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus.
To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend me.
To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed.
To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus.



For my life is whol - ly bound to His.
Through the deep - est val - ley He will lead.
Je - sus now, and ev - er, is my plea.
All the glo - ry ev - er - more to Him.

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Oh how strange and di - vine, I can sing, "All is mine!"
Oh the night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come!
Oh the chains are re - leased, I can sing, "I am free!"
When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat:



Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

☒ BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: August 21 - 27, 2022

SUNDAY, August 21

- 8:00 a.m. Gathered Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages (see page 21)
- 10:30 a.m. Gathered Worship

WEDNESDAY, August 23

- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Church-wide Prayer Time (101)
- 6:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, August 26

- 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Parenting Seminar with David Thomas

SATURDAY, August 27

- 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Parenting Seminar with David Thomas

Should you need pastoral assistance after our regular office hours, please contact our pastor on call at 205-874-3559 (Marty Crawford, August 22 - 28).

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery Volunteers. Beginning this fall, we'd like to incorporate volunteers to come alongside our Nursery Staff during the Sunday school hour when we have the most children to care for. There are two reasons for this. First, Covenant has not been immune to staffing issues, and we need more hands on deck! Second, and most importantly, this is a significant opportunity for Covenant members to take their Vows to the children and families of this church seriously by assisting in their Christian nurture. Please email nursery@covpres.com for details and to sign up to volunteer.

Sunday, September 4. On Sunday September 4 we will have one gathered worship service at 10:30 and no Sunday School.

Wednesdays@Covenant. Wednesday night dinner, activities, and studies kick off on September 7! Dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. and choir, studies, and children's and youth activities will begin at 6:15. More information on adult studies coming soon!

Women's Bible Studies. We have two Bible study options beginning September 13, "Revelation" and Divine Design Discipleship's "Learning to Lean." Registration is now open for the studies. Please visit covpres.com/womens-bible-studies for details. (Note: Our nursery is full for our Tuesday morning studies. Please email nursery@covpres.com to place your child on the waitlist.)

Discover Covenant Class. If you would like to consider joining Covenant, our Discover Covenant Class, scheduled for October 14 - 16, is a great way to learn about our church and what it means to be a member. The class consists of three sessions: Friday from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, and Sunday during Sunday School (9:15-10:15 a.m.). Nursery childcare (ages 5 and under) will be provided for each session. Please register any children 7th grade and older for the class. Visit covpres.com/new-members to register.

Church-wide Memory Verse. Our memory verse for fall (August 14 - November 26) Psalm 96:1-3:

*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!*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Directional signs are located around the church.

THRESHOLD 304	<i>Singles, college students, and young marrieds; 20s and 30s</i>
KING'S TABLE 301	<i>30s</i> (Pastor: Josh Johnson)
CROSSPOINTE 100	<i>mid 30s to mid 40s</i>
CORNERSTONE 104	<i>late 30s to late 40s</i> (Pastor: John Fountain)
LIGHTHOUSE 305	<i>late 30s to early 50s</i> (Pastor: David Driskill)
FOUNDATIONS DINING ROOM	<i>early 40s to early 50s</i>
LIVING STONES 303	<i>late 40s to late 50s</i> (Pastor: Henry Morris)
KINGDOM BUILDERS 201	<i>late 40s to late 60s</i> (Pastor: Dan Edwards)
COMMUNITY 300	<i>All ages and life stages</i>
OPEN DOORS & UPPER ROOM 101	<i>late 60s and above</i> (Pastor: Marty Crawford)
YOUTH YOUTH AREA	<i>Students grades 7-12</i> (Pastor: John Fountain)

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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.

AUGUST READING PLAN

	PSALMS	ROMANS
1	□ 67-69	□ 4
2	□ 70-72	□ 5
3	□ 73-74	□ 6
4	□ 75-76	□ 7
5	□ 77-79	□ 8
6/7	□ 80-86	□ 9
8	□ 87-90	□ 10:1-11:12
9	□ 91-93	□ 11:13-36
10	□ 94-95	□ 12
11	□ 96-98	□ 13
12	□ 99-101	□ 14
13/14	□ 102-105	□ 15:1-16:16
15	□ 106-108	□ 16:17-1 Corinthians 1:17
		1 CORINTHIANS
16	□ 109-110	□ 1:18-31
17	□ 111-112	□ 2
18	□ 113-115	□ 3
19	□ 116-119:48	□ 4
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24	□ 125-127	□ 8
25	□ 128-130	□ 9
26	□ 131-133	□ 10:1-22
27/28	□ 134-138	□ 10:23-11:16
29	□ 139-142	□ 11:17-34
30	□ 143-145	□ 12:1-11
31	□ 146-148	□ 12:12-31

SERMON RESOURCES

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

A Commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews, Harold W. Attridge
Hebrews for You, Michael J. Kruger
Hebrews 1-8; Hebrews 9-13, William Lane
ESV Study Bible
Lexham English Translation
NIV Study Bible

HYMN CREDITS

Find our gathered worship playlist at covpres.com/music-worship.

"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"

Words: Isaac Watts. Music: DUKE STREET; John Hatton.

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

Words: George Matheson, 1882. Music: Christopher Miner, 1997.

"Doxology"

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674. Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, attr. to Louis Bourgeois (1551).

"Grace Unmeasured"

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"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

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

"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"

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