

Evening Worship Service

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 97:1

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

☒ RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 67:1-5

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

All: *Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!*

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

All: *Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!*

☒ PRAYER OF ADORATION

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*


HYMNS OF ADORATION
"The Heavens Declare Thy Glory"


1. The heav - ens de - clare Thy glo - ry, the fir - ma - ment Thy pow'r; 7
 2. The sun with roy - al splendor goes forth to chant Thy praise, and
 3. How per - fect just and ho - ly the pre - cepts Thou hast giv'n; still
 4. All heav - en on high re - joice - es to do its Mak - er's will; the



day un - to day the sto - ry re - peats from hour to hour; 7
 moon - beams soft and ten - der their gent - ler an - them raise; 7
 mak - ing wise the low - ly, they lift the thoughts to heav'n: how
 stars with sol - emn voic - es re - sound Thy prais - es still: 7



night un - to night re - ply - ing, pro - claims in ev - 'ry land, O
 o'er ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion the mu - sic strange is poured, the
 pure, how soul - re - stor - ing Thy Gos - pel's heav'n - ly ray, a
 so let my whole be - hav - ior, thoughts, words and ac - tions be, O



Lord, with voice un - dy - ing, the won - ders of Thy hand.
 song of all cre - a - tion, to Thee, cre - a - tion's Lord.
 bright - er ra - diance pour - ing than noon of bright - est day!
 Lord, my strength, my Sav - ior, one cease - less song to Thee.

Words: Psalm 19:1-6; 14; Thomas R. Birks, 1874. Music: Rick Barnes, 2011.

☒ "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

He speaks and list'ning to His voice
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739. Music: Carl G. Glazer, 1828; arr. Jeff Koonce, 2012.

OUR HONORED GUESTS

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Travis and Sonya Todd
CRU, East Asia

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Isaiah 44:6-8, 21-24

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

“I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.

Let him declare and set it before me,
since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

⁸Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

And you are my witnesses!

Is there a God besides me?

There is no Rock; I know not any.”

²¹Remember these things, O Jacob,
and Israel, for you are my servant;

I formed you; you are my servant;

O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.

²²I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist;

return to me, for I have redeemed you.

²³Sing, O heavens, for the Lord has done it;

shout, O depths of the earth;

break forth into singing, O mountains,

O forest, and every tree in it!

For the Lord has redeemed Jacob,

and will be glorified in Israel.

²⁴Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer,
who formed you from the womb:

“I am the LORD, who made all things,
who alone stretched out the heavens,
who spread out the earth by myself,

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

FIELD REPORT

Travis Todd, CRU (East Asia)

THE EVENING PRAYER

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Acts 14:8-17; 17:22-31

Now at Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet. He was crippled from birth and had never walked. ⁹He listened to Paul speaking. And Paul, looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be made well, ¹⁰said in a loud voice, “Stand upright on your feet.” And he sprang up and began walking. ¹¹And when the crowds saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycaonian, “The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!” ¹²Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. ¹⁴But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out into the crowd, crying out, ¹⁵“Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men, of like nature with you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. ¹⁶In past generations he allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways. ¹⁷Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness.”

^{17:22}So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place,

²⁷that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“In him we live and move and have our being’;

as even some of your own poets have said,

“For we are indeed his offspring.’

²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.


CLOSING HYMN
"Let the Nations Be Glad"


1. Let the glo - ry of the Lord for - ev - er be our
 2. Through the ag - es gone be - fore, through the tri - al and the
 3. As Your ho - ly church goes forth in the Ho - ly Spir - it's



joy, may re - demp - tion be the theme of our song;
 sword, man - y saints and mar - tyrs con - quered, though they died.
 pow'r, with the glo - ries of the gos - pel to ex - plain,



for by grace we have been saved, and by grace we shall pro
 Still we're hold - ing out the cross, cross - ing o - ceans, suff - ring
 now we pray Your king - dom come, and we pray Your will be



claim to the cor - ners of the earth that Christ has come.
 loss, shall en - dure all things to win the crown of life.
 done, for the hon - or and the glo - ry of Your name.



Let the na - tions be glad! Let the peo - ple re - joice!



For sal - va - tion be - longs to our God.



Let the whole earth be filled with the prais - es of the Lord;

for sal - va - tion be - longs to our God;
 let the na - tions be glad!

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☒ BENEDICTION

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

Ladies' Missions Brunch | 10:30 a.m.

(at the home of Maggie O'Connor,
2980 Mountain Brook Parkway)

Church-wide Dinner | 5:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

KidMission | 6:30 p.m. (3rd floor)

Panel Discussions | 6:30 p.m. (Dining Room & 201)

Closing & Dessert Fellowship | 7:45 p.m.
(Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

Ash Wednesday

Church-wide Dinner | 5:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Service | 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)