

The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Season of the Trinity
October 20, 2019

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

—Genesis 1:31-2:3

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

—Colossians 2:8-10

Out of every seven-day cycle six days are to be given over to what we call our daily routine activities. Then, out of that same cycle of seven days, one day is to be given over to rest and worship.

—G. I. Williamson

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

David Driskill

Psalm 85:8-13

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.

*Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.*

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

*Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.*

Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.

*Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.*

☒ *Congregation stand as able.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Made Me Glad"



1. I will__ bless the Lord_ for-ev - er.__



I will__ trust Him at__ all times.__



He has__ de - liv-ered me__ from all__ fear.__

2. Whom have__ I in heav'n_ but You?__



He has__ set my feet_ up - on__ a rock.

There's none_ I de - sire_ be - sides__ You.



And I will not be moved,__ and I'll say of the Lord,__

And You have made me glad.__ And I'll say of the Lord,__



"You are my shield,__ my strength, my por - tion,_ De - liv



- er - er, my shel - ter,__ strong tow - er, my ver



- y pre - sent help__ in time_ of need."__

FINE

Words and Music: Miriam Webster.

READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Jessica Dyess

Act 3:1-10

Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. ²And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. ³Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. ⁴And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." ⁵And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" ⁷And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ⁸And leaping up, he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ⁹And all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE SAVIOR

“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.

☒ PRAYER OF ADORATION

☒ READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Philippans 3:7-11

But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.
⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

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Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF MERCY

"Not in Me"



1. No list of sins I have not done, no list of
2. No hum - ble dress, no fer - vent prayer, no lift - ed
3. No sep - a - ra - tion from the world, no work I



vir - tues I pur - sue, no list of those I am not
hands, no tear - ful song, no rec - i - ta - tion of the
do, no gift I give can cleanse my con - science, cleanse my



like can earn my - self a ___ place with You.
truth, can jus - ti - fy a ___ sin - gle wrong.
hands; I can - not cause my ___ soul to live.



O God! Be mer - ci - ful to me; I am a
My right - eous - ness is Je - sus' life; my debt was
But Je - sus died and rose a - gain; the pow'r of



sin - ner through and through. My on - ly hope of right eous -
paid by Je - sus' death. My wear - y load was borne by
death is ov - er thrown! My God is mer - ci - ful to



ness is not in me, but ___ on - ly You.
Him and He a - lone can ___ give me rest.
me and mer - ci - ful in ___ Christ a - lone.

GIVING OF FIRST FRUITS

"Healing in Your Hands"

Liz Richardson, soloist

No mountain, no valley, no gain or loss we know,
Could keep us from Your love.

No sickness, no secret, no chain is strong enough
To keep us from Your love.

Chorus:

How high, how wide;
No matter where I am,
Healing is in Your hands.
How deep, how strong;
Now by Your grace I stand,
Healing is in Your hands.

Our present, our future, our past is in Your hands.
We're covered by Your blood.
(Chorus)

In all things, we know that we are more than conquerors;
You keep us by Your love.
In all things, we know that we are more than conquerors;
You keep us by Your love.
You keep us by Your love.
(Chorus)

Words and Music: Daniel Carson, Christy Nockels, Nathan Nockels, Matt Redman,
Chris Thomlin; arr. by Dan Galbraith.

☒ 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:

Children ages 3 to 4 may attend Children's Worship for the entire worship service, while kindergarteners through 2nd graders are dismissed during the Passing of the Peace. Following the worship service, parents will find their children attending Children's Worship in the following rooms:

3K ▪ C224/C225 (*available for the entire worship hour*)

4K ▪ C221 (*available for the entire worship hour*)

Kindergarten ▪ C221 (*dismissed during the Passing of the Peace*)*

1st & 2nd Grades ▪ 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 20.

THE MORNING PRAYERS

Warren Norville

☒ READING FROM THE GOSPELS

John 5:1-18

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” ⁷The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” ⁸Jesus said to him, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” ⁹And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Now that day was the Sabbath. ¹⁰So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed.” ¹¹But he answered them, “The man who healed me, that man said to me, ‘Take up your bed, and walk.’” ¹²They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk?’” ¹³Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. ¹⁴Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.” ¹⁵The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. ¹⁶And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. ¹⁷But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.”

¹⁸This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

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

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

Josh Johnson

Almighty and most merciful Father;

We have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;

And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;

And there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent;

According to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;

That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,

To the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

☒ Assurance of Pardon

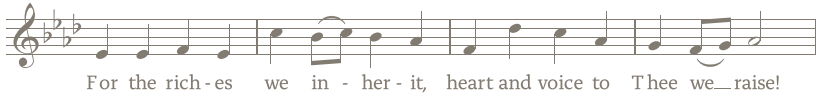
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
—Isaiah 53:5

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.

☒ 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.*

☒ Congregational Response



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.

“Hide Away in the Love of Jesus”



1. Come, wear - y saints, though tired and weak,
2. Come wan - d'ring souls and find your home,
3. Come guilt - y ones weighed down with sin,
4. Come, hope - less hearts, do not de - spair,



hide a - way in the love of Je - sus;



your strength will re - turn by His qui - et streams,
He of - fers the rest that you yearn to know,
The free - dom you long for is found in Him
For ten - thou - sand joys a - wait you there!



hide a - way in the love of Je - sus. *1 - to verse two
2, 3 - to chorus
4 - FINE*

CHORUS:



Hear Him call - ing your name, see the

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depths of His love in the wounds of His grace; hide a - way.

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"Come All Ye Pining"



1. Lord, we a - dore Thy bound - less grace, _
 2. O won drous gifts of love ___ di - vine, _
 3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants ___ re - ceive; _



the heights and depths un - known, ___
 Dear Source of ev - 'ry good. ___
 a free, a full sup - ply. ___



of par - don, life, and joy, ___ and peace ___
 Je - sus, in Thee, what glo - ries shine! ___
 He has un - meas - ured bliss ___ to give ___



in Thy be - lov - ed Son. ___
 How rich Thy flow - ing blood! ___
 and joys that nev - er die. ___



Come all ye pin - ing, hun - gry, poor, ___ the Sav ior's boun



- ty ___ taste. ___ Be hold a nev - er fail - ing store



___ for ev - 'ry will - ing ___ guest. ___

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

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

BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT: October 20 - 26, 2019

SUNDAY, October 20

- 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 3k through 2nd grades
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Jr. High & Sr. High Small Groups
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Study: God for Us (Dining Room)

MONDAY, October 21

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

TUESDAY, October 22

- 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Women's Study: Divine Design Discipleship (S104)
- 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Women's Study: God for Us (E201)

WEDNESDAY, October 23

- 5:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays@Covenant
 - 5:30-7:15 KidConnection (3K-6th grades; 3rd floor)
 - 5:30 Dinner (Fellowship Hall; Menu: Chicken Alfredo)
 - 5:30 Jr. High Activities (bring dinner to Youth Area)
 - 6:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (S103)
 - 6:15 Bible Study Options:
 - Marriage Enrichment (NOTE: this program is full)
 - Small Group Discussions
 1. *Sermon on the Mount (E201)*
 2. *The Basics of the Christian Life (Dining Room)*
 - 6:45 Sr. High Activities (Youth Area)
 - 7:45 Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Should you need pastoral assistance after our regular office hours, please contact our pastor on call at 205-874-3559 (Josh Johnson, October 21-27).

MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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

Wednesdays@Covenant. Join us each Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. for our fellowship dinner and stay for choir rehearsal at 6:00 and our studies and activities at 6:15. There is something for everyone! Visit covpres.com/schedule.

College Sunday Lunches. During October we will have a varied schedule for our College Sunday School lunches. Today, we will have lunch at Covenant, and October 27 students will have lunch with their Adopt-a-Student families. Please contact Josh Johnson (jjohnson@covpres.com) with any questions.

Congregational Dinner & Prayer. Our next evening of congregational prayer is Monday, October 28, in the Fellowship Hall. We will have dinner available at 5:30 p.m. with prayer time at 6:00. Join us as we pray for our congregation, leadership, staff, and community.

Feast Not Famine Fall Market & Harvest Supper. Ladies, our fifth annual Feast Not Famine event is November 14! Join us for a fall market at 5:00 p.m. in the Commons, featuring the gifts and talents of Covenant ladies. (To reserve a table, please email Julie Baggett at juliecbaggett@gmail.com.) Our harvest supper will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with guest speaker Betsy Childs Howard. Betsy grew up at Covenant and is an editor for *The Gospel Coalition*. Invitations coming soon!

Youth Sponsored Chili Cookoff. Our annual Chili Cookoff is coming up Monday, November 11! This is a great time of fellowship, competition, and fundraising for our Youth Ministry. If you would like to enter the Chili Cookoff, please email Sara Litten with your team name (slitten@covpres.com). All proceeds will go toward youth events and mission trips.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

9:15 a.m.

Maps and directional signs are located around the church.

COLLEGE COMMONS	<i>College students*</i>
COMMUNITY E305	<i>All ages and life stages</i>
CORNERSTONE S104	<i>30s and 40s</i>
CROSSPOINTE S100	<i>Young families; 30s</i>
FOUNDATIONS E304	<i>30s and 40s</i>
LIGHTHOUSE E301	<i>30s and 40s</i>
LIVING STONES E303	<i>40s and 50s</i>
KINGDOM BUILDERS E201	<i>50s and 60s</i>
OPEN DOORS S105	<i>70s and above</i>
THRESHOLD DINING ROOM	<i>Singles and young marrieds; 20s and 30s</i>
UPPER ROOM S101	<i>60s and 70s</i>
YOUTH YOUTH AREA	<i>Students grades 7-12</i>

**College students gather in Commons Area at 12:00 for class and lunch.*

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RULING ELDERS

2019

Ty Dedmon
Jeff Dyess
Rick Flynn
Heath Henderson
Tom McKnight
John Smith T
Richard Thompson

2020

Bill Bennett
Will Brooke
Michael Latta
Charlie Logan
Paul Loyless
Bob Schaffeld
Lee Sheppard
Steve Stigler
Mark Taylor
John Wood

2021

Eric Getty
Russell Martin
Daniel Murray
Warren Norville
Sandy Stradtman
Clay Wheeler

DEACONS

2019

Jim Bennett
Gary Gorham
Keith Harrelson
Jeff Hayes
Steve Killgore
Steve Pfitzer
Brent Powell
Matt Searson
John Shank
Todd Sitton
William Slappey
Billy Tapscott
Darrell Tucker

2020

Tripp Alexander
Paul Darden
Jay Evans
Bryan Flores
John Gant
John David Gray
Marty Martin
Bud Miller
Tyler O'Connor
John Shults
Danny Smith
Robert Stephens
Clark Worrell

2021

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

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.

SEPTEMBER READING PLAN

	ISAIAH
28/29	□ 13-18
30	□ 19-21

OCTOBER READING PLAN

	ISAIAH
1	□ 22-23
2	□ 24-26
3	□ 27-28
4	□ 29-30
5/6	□ 31-36
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9	□ 41-42
10	□ 43-44
11	□ 45-47
12/13	□ 48-52
14	□ 53-55
15	□ 56-58
16	□ 59-61
17	□ 62-64
18	□ 65-66
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19/20	□ 1-4
21	□ 5-6
22	□ 7-8
23	□ 9-10
24	□ 11-13
25	□ 14-16
26/27	□ 17-22
28	□ 23-24
29	□ 25-26
30	□ 27-28
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GALATIANS

□ 6-Ephesians 1

EPHESIANS

□ 2

EPHESIANS

□ 3

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□ 6

PHILIPPIANS

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COLOSSIANS

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1 THESSALONIANS

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2 THESSALONIANS

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1 TIMOTHY

□ 1

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□ 6-2 Timothy 1

2 TIMOTHY

□ 2

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TITUS

□ 1