



The Lord's Day in Worship

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN exists to glorify God
by proclaiming the gospel of JESUS CHRIST
to our community *and* the world.



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting. The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. The LORD lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground. Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre. He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry. His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner; but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love. Praise the LORD!

—Psalm 147:1-11, 20c NRSV

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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 **FIRST HYMN**

“SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE”, Hymn 6

Sing praise to God Who reigns above, The God of all creation,
The God of pow'r, the God of love, The God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul He fills, And ev'ry faithless murmur stills;
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made His gracious mercy keepeth,
By morning glow or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of His might, Lo! all is just and all is right:
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, But, thru all grief distressing,
An ever present help and stay, Our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand, He leads his own, His chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!

Thus, all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud His praises,
That men may hear the grateful song, My voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart! Both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory!

(Words: Johann J. Schütz. Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesänge*).

 Congregation stand, as able


DAILY WORSHIP RESOURCES

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. These scripture readings are set in the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), a schedule of daily Bible readings in accord with the Church year. They are designed around a two-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice, and the Psalms frequently. We are currently in the “Year 2” cycle.

SUNDAY, THE LORD’S DAY • FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Morning	Psalm 93, 96	Genesis 24:50-67	Mark 10:13-22
Evening	Psalm 34	2 Timothy 2:14-21	

MONDAY

Morning	Psalm 80	Genesis 25:19-34	John 7:37-52
Evening	Psalm 77, 79	Hebrews 13:1-16	

TUESDAY

Monday	Psalm 78:1-39	Genesis 26:1-6, 12-33	John 7:53-8:11
Evening	Psalm 78:40-72	Hebrews 13:17-25	

WEDNESDAY

Morning	Psalm 119:97-120	Genesis 27:1-29	John 8:12-20
Evening	Psalm 81, 82	Romans 12:1-8	

THURSDAY

Morning	Psalm 146	Genesis 27:30-45	John 8:21-32
Evening	Psalm 83, 85, 86	Romans 12:9-21	

FRIDAY

Morning	Psalm 88	Genesis 27:46-28:4, 10-22	John 8:33-47
Evening	Psalm 91, 92	Romans 13:1-14	

SATURDAY

Morning	Psalm 87, 90	Genesis 29:1-20	John 8:47-59
Evening	Psalm 136	Romans 14:1-23	

SUNDAY, THE LORD’S DAY • SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Morning	Psalm 66, 67	Genesis 29:20-35	Mark 10:23-31
Evening	Psalm 19, 46	1 Timothy 3:14-4:10	

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

People: *For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.*

Pastor: God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

People: *Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*
from Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6

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☒ SECOND HYMN

“ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND”

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.

Chorus:

I am bound (*I am bound*)

I am bound (*I am bound*)

I am bound for promised land.

I am bound (*I am bound*)

I am bound (*I am bound*)

I am bound for promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath, Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, Are felt and feared no more.

Chorus

When shall I reach that happy place, And be forever blessed?

When shall I see my Father's face, And in His bosom rest?

Chorus

(Words: Samuel Stennett. Music: Christopher Miner).

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • February 5

8:30 a.m.	Morning Worship (Sanctuary) Children's Worship • 3 years through 3rd grade
9:40 a.m.	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship (Sanctuary) Children's Worship • 3 years through 3rd grade
6:00 p.m.	Junior High Small Groups
6:15 p.m.	Crown Financial Life Group (E202)
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Parent Prayer Time (E204)

MONDAY • February 6

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Covenant Day School and Mother's Day Out
11:45 a.m.	First Monday Lunch Bunch (E206)

TUESDAY • February 7

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Covenant Day School
10:00 a.m.	Divine Design
6:00 p.m.	Baptism Training (E202) WIC Bible Study • <i>James: Mercy Triumphs</i> (E201)

WEDNESDAY • February 8

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Covenant Day School and Mother's Day Out
9:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	WIC Bible Study • Ephesians (E301)
10:30 a.m.	The Grands Bible Study and Fellowship (E202)
12:00 noon	Wednesday Lunch/Book Study (E201/203)
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Music Clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cherubs—4 & 5 years (S104) • Glad—1st-3rd grades (S100) • Faith—4th-6th grades (S101) • Jubilate—7th-12th grades (S103)
5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall) Menu: Chicken pot pie, sweet potatoes, garden salad, pound cake
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Interactive (Fellowship Hall) Kidz Club (Children's Building) Junior High Bible Study (1st Floor/Education Building) Chancel Choir (Choir Room/S103)
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	

THURSDAY • February 9

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Covenant Day School
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FRIDAY • February 10

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Covenant Day School and Mother's Day Out
6:00 p.m.	Movie Night for 1st-3rd grades (C316)

SATURDAY • February 11

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.	Churchwide Hour of Prayer (Tower Room)
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OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 40:21-31

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Thanks be to God!

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins:

Pastor: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Psalm 139:23-24 ESV

People: *Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!
Good and upright is the LORD, therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.
Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.
Relieve the troubles of my heart, and bring me out of my distress.
Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.*

Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18 NRSV

(PAUSE FOR A TIME OF INDIVIDUAL REFLECTION)



AREAS OF SERVICE AND MINISTRY FOR MISSIONS 2012—ANNUAL MISSIONS FESTIVAL

- **HOUSING.** Host a missionary or missionary family in your home during Missions 2012.
- **TRANSPORTATION.** Provide the loan of a vehicle for a guest missionary.
- **KICK-OFF PRAYER BREAKFAST.** Assist with our Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, February 25.
- **LUNCH FOR VOLUNTEERS ON SATURDAY.** Provide lunch for our Missions 2012 Volunteer Team on Saturday, February 25.
- **LUNCH ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26.** Host a missionary or missionary family for lunch following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.
- **MEN'S LUNCH ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27.** Host a missionary for lunch. (Ladies will attend the Ladies' Missions Luncheon.)
- **LADIES' LUNCHEON ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27.** Serve as a hostess for a guest missionary.
- **GIFT BAGS FOR MISSIONARY LADIES.** Donate items to be included in the gift bags for our guest missionary ladies.
- **DESSERT FELLOWSHIPS.** Assist with preparations for our Dessert Fellowships or volunteer to provide a dessert on Sunday and Monday evenings, February 26-27.
- **FOOD PREPARATION.** Assist Food Service Director, Ingram Link, with providing hospitality and food service during Missions 2012 (Options include Saturday evening dinner for Guest Missionaries, Pastoral Staff, Elders, Deacons and spouses; dinner on Sunday and Monday evenings; Breakfast for missionary guests and staff—Monday through Wednesday; and Dessert Fellowships—Sunday and Monday evenings).
- **CENTERPIECES FOR TABLES.** Assist with decorating tables for Saturday morning Prayer Breakfast or Saturday evening dinner.
- **COORDINATOR FOR MISSIONARY KIDS (MKs).** Plan special events for our guest missionary children during the Missions Festival.
- **KidMISSIONS 2012.** Assist our Children's Ministry on Sunday and Monday evenings with KidMISSIONS—special activities planned for children 4 years through 6th grade.
- **NICE 'n NEW SHOP.** Assist with the clothes closet for guest missionaries. Options include: help set up the shop; serve as a host/hostess at the shop during the week; clean up the shop following Missions 2012.
- **HOSPITALITY ROOM.** Provide an appetizer, snack or dessert for the Hospitality Room (available for guest missionaries, Saturday through Wednesday).
- **LCD PROJECTOR.** Provide the use of an LCD Projector when needed during Missions 2012.

Be Involved! Share Hospitality

Our Annual Missions Festival is February 24-29,
with more than 40 missionary guests from around the world.

Will **you** help as we make plans and preparations
for this global missions celebration?

Pray about your involvement—then choose an area to join

Sign-up sheets are located in Adult Sunday School Classes
or at the Welcome Center in the church foyer.

Questions?

Contact Phyllis Hamm in the Missions Office
871.7002 (ext. 130) or phamm@covpres.com



MISSIONS 2012

Annual Missions Festival

February 24 - 29



✠ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Remember 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.
I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud,
and your sins like a mist;
return to me,
for I have redeemed you.

Isaiah 44:21-22 NRSV

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THE GIVING OF “FIRST FRUITS”

“THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY”

The Chancel Choir
 Anna Lu Hemphill, *pianist*
 Donald Given, *organist*

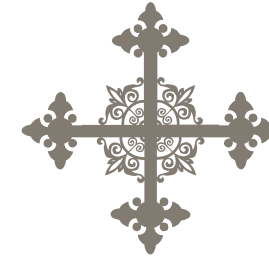
There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;
 There's a kindness in His justice, which is more than liberty.
 There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good;
 There is mercy with the savior; there is healing in His blood.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in Heaven;
 There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.
 There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed;
 There is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
 And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
 If our love were but more faithful, we should take Him at His word;
 And our lives would be thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.

(Words: Frederick W. Faber. Music: HOLY MANNA, attr. William Moore).

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W E D N E S D A Y

◆ *night* ◆

I N T E R A C T I V E

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

This Week's Topic
 “Perspectivalism”
 Led by Bill Boyd



Fellowship Dinner served at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall



MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Children's Worship Information— Following the service, parents will find their children attending Children's Worship in the following rooms:

Three Year Olds ▪ Room C222 (*available for the entire worship hour*)

Four and Five Year Olds ▪ Room C221 (*available for the entire worship hour*)

First through Third Grades ▪ Room C316 (*dismissed during the worship hour*)

First Monday Lunch Bunch—Connect with friends, meet new friends and deepen relationships with other women at our Women's Ministry First Monday Lunch Bunch. First Monday will meet for lunch and fellowship tomorrow (February 6) at 11:45 a.m. in E206. Lunch is \$6 with no reservations needed. Ladies, please join us!

Midweek at Covenant—Join us this Wednesday night for worship, fellowship and community building. There is something for everyone! Dinner is served at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall followed by Wednesday Worship (youth-adults), Kidz Club (3 years-6th grade) and Chancel Choir rehearsal. Children's Music Clubs (5K-6th grade) meet at 5:00 p.m.

Be Involved: Missions 2012 Volunteer Team—Plans and preparations are underway for Missions 2012, February 24-29. Our Missions Ministry invites you to be a part of this exciting event as we prepare to welcome missionaries from around the world. See Pages 18-19 of your worship guide for more details along with a list of opportunities and ways that you can be personally involved in this global missions celebration.

Wednesday Lunch/Book Study—Join us on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon in E201/203 for lunch and fellowship as we read and discuss Chuck DeGroat's new book, *Leaving Egypt: Finding God in the Wilderness Places*. The Israelites' liberation from Egypt and journey to the promised land is one of the Bible's most compelling stories. But the Exodus narrative isn't just a long-ago Bible story. It's the overarching theme of every person's life as we find ourselves enslaved to work, to destructive relationships, to food, to spending...yet beyond our personal Egypt lies God's promised land. Books are \$11 and available in the church office. Study led by Danny Giffen, Pastor of Discipleship.

Movie Nights—Invite a friend and come watch a great Friday Night Flick! First through third grades, join us February 10, 2012, for a showing of "Rio." \$2 per person for pizza, popcorn, candy and soft drinks. 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in C316.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children ages three years through 3rd grade will be led from the Sanctuary to Children's Worship during the Passing of the Peace. Room assignments can be found in the Ministries and Special Events section of the Worship Guide.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the LORD be always with you.

People: *And also with you!*

Greet one another with a sign of friendship such as: "The peace of Christ be with you" and "And also with you."

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to fill out the attendance notepad located in the pew racks.

NEW TESTAMENT READING**I CORINTHIANS 9:16-23**

For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Thanks be to God!



CLOSING HYMN

“CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS”, Hymn 234

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing, Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King, Thru all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love: Behold His hands and side—
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky, Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye, At mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life: Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife, For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thru Him giv'n, From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, For thou for us hast died,
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days, Adored and magnified.

(Words: Verses 1,4, 5, 6 and 9: Matthew Bridges. Verses 2-3: Godfrey Thring.
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey)

BENEDICTION

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”



MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL:

O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth; we humbly beseech you to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTERCESSOR:

(HERE THE INTERCESSOR WILL PRAY FOR THE CHURCH LOCAL, UNIVERSAL, AND FOR THE WORLD.)

And so, Lord, we pray as Christ taught:

ALL:

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.



THE GOSPEL READING

MARK 1:29-39

And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

Praise be to you, O Christ.



MORNING MESSAGE

REV. BILL BOYD

Lined area for writing a morning message, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.