

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Grady Moseley, interim minister of congregational life, pastoral care
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Robert Dicks, associate director of traditional music & organist
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Burton Mackey, carillonneur
Betty Graybeal, usher team leader

Leading Other Services

Ian Clark, pastoral resident
Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
James Jones White III, by his family.

Cover Image

The Apocalypse of Matthew is located in the Chapel gallery, the uppermost medallion of which refers to Ephesians 5:2, "...be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." The entire window illustrates six scenes from Matthew 24:31-40: Feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, and visiting the imprisoned. Where Christ is, there also is the Christian community. Christ mediates relationships between God and human beings through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. Beloved, we are clothed in the presence and activity of Christ in the world today. Reference Col. 3:12-15; Mt 24:21-46; Ep 5:1-2. Photo © 2011 JonSilla.com.

Note to Parents

During the school year, Sunday School is offered in the Education Wing for preschool and elementary-aged children at 9:30 a.m. Child care is offered on the First Floor during 11 a.m. services; elementary-aged children may go to the Kindergarten room (EW120).

WELCOME TO COVENANT

Join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Circle, where today's preaching minister will be glad to greet you. You also may learn more about our life of faith together at our website or on Facebook.

Interested in joining Covenant? We welcome new members every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building. We also welcome new members on the 4th Sunday of each month in the Fellowship Hall Library at 12 p.m.

Each Sunday, we offer education and fellowship opportunities in the mornings and evenings for children, youth and adults in the Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. Please see the digital signs in each building for details.

Covenant expects and gladly welcomes many first-time and repeat visitors. By introducing ourselves and sharing a warm greeting, we express the hospitality of our congregation. Please share a smile and welcoming word with those around you.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (AS OF JANUARY 31)

Welcome New Members

Please welcome Kimberly Diedrich
Thomas Langa and Blaire Jenkins

Ginny and Stewart Sloan, and daughters, Elizabeth and Eleanor,
into our church family.

Death in the Church

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to the family of
Barbara Ann and John Zizzi on the death of her father, Jim Wilson,
on January 29, and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection.

In Need of Healing Prayer

Judy Gaffney
Lamont Hudson
Frank Mansfield
Lillian Neal
Joe Pool
Bob Taylor
Barbara White



To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND COMMUNION

Sunday, February 3, 2019

11 a.m.

SANCTUARY

This service is being streamed live and recorded for online viewing at media.covenantpresby.org.

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A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, February 3, 2019

11 a.m.

Welcome to Covenant, we are glad you are here.

Children are always welcome in worship. Child care and children's programs (ages 6 weeks to fifth grade) are offered in the Education Wing.

Infant soothing rooms with live video of the worship service are available in the balcony and parlor. See an usher for assistance.

PRELUDE

Solemn Melody W. Davies

CHORAL INTROIT

All Who Hunger Gather Gladly HOLY MANNA

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

~ Covenant Choir ~

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 409

God is Here! ABBOT'S LEIGH

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION 444

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive DETROIT

(choir and congregation)

**"Forgive our sins as we forgive,"
you taught us, Lord, to pray,
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.**

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of compassion,
in Jesus Christ you did not disdain the company of sinners
but welcomed them with love. Look upon us in mercy, we pray.
Our sins are more than we can bear; our pasts hold us back;
our misdeeds seem beyond correcting.
Forgive the wrongs we cannot undo;
free us from the past we cannot change;
heal what we can no longer fix.
Grace our lives with your love
and turn the tears of our past into the joys of new life with you.
Through Christ, the Lord of all, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response 394 *(choir and congregation)*

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one.
One in might and one in glory,
while unending ages run!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-15. New Testament, p. 190

SERMON

"For Better or Worse" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: The Four Sides of Forgiveness

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 515

I Come with Joy DOVE OF PEACE

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace J. Lindh

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury pardon; where there is doubt,

let there be faith; where there is despair, let me sow hope; where there is

darkness, let there be light; where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine master, grant that I may not so much

seek to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive and in pardoning we are pardoned.

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

~ Covenant Choir ~

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts;

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

The Lord's Prayer

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.

* You are invited to rise in body or spirit

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

You are invited to take communion by intinction. With the ushers' guidance, please come down the center aisle, take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup, and return to your seat by the side aisle. Gluten-free rice crackers are available at the center station. Those wishing to be served in the pew may signal an usher.

Music at Communion

How Can I Keep From Singing? C. Aspaas

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.

I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn, that hails a new creation.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging,
since Love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.

It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging,
since Love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die, I know the Truth it liveth.

What though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging,
since Love is lord of heaven and earth. how can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes the clouds grow thin, I see the blue above it.

And day by day this pathway smooths since first I learned to love it.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging,
since Love is lord of heaven and earth how can I keep from singing?

~ Covenant Choir ~

Prayer of Dedication

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 536 (verses 1-3)

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen SURGE ECCLESIA

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 536 (verse 4)

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen SURGE ECCLESIA

Service be our sure vocation;

courage be our daily breath;

mercy be our destination

from this day and unto death.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rise, O church, a living faith.

POSTLUDE

While the King Sits at His Table M. Dupré

