

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Julia Watkins, pastoral resident
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Robert Dicks, associate director of traditional music & organist
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Emily Reinicker, carillonneur
Pat Springs, usher team leader
Sarah Summers, organ scholar

Audio and Visuals

Cleveland Elam (video), Joel St. Onge (visuals), Dave Welchman (audio)

Leading Other Services

Ian Clark, pastoral resident
Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts
Jessica Patchett, associate minister

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 Golden Ideogram of Hope is located adjacent the *Anchor of Hope* at the top of the central window on the east nave of the Chapel. A filled circle (a symbol of communication) is centered within concentric squares – the “perfect square” an Augustinian symbol for Christ and the perfection of God. The innermost square is turned on its side forming a diamond, the symbol of courage. These edges bisect two of the squares forming triangular symbols for the Trinitarian God. In Him, we live, move, and have our being – we learn in joy of the great hope for all. Reference: Ps 32: 1-7; Lk 23:34; Acts 17:28, 30. Photo: © 2017 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 24)

In Memoriam

Orpha Romohr Baxter

July 15, 1917 – January 22, 2019

A memorial service will be held at Covenant tomorrow at 11 a.m., followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall.

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to Karen and Herb Harriss and their family on the death of her mother, Orpha R. Baxter;

and to the family of Kim and Hugh Robertson on the death of her father, Dewey “Dicky” Little Raymer III, on January 21, and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection.

Birth

Congratulations to Martha and Courtney Williams (and big sisters, Watts and Haines) on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn James “Evie” Williams, on Jan. 15.

Welcome New Members

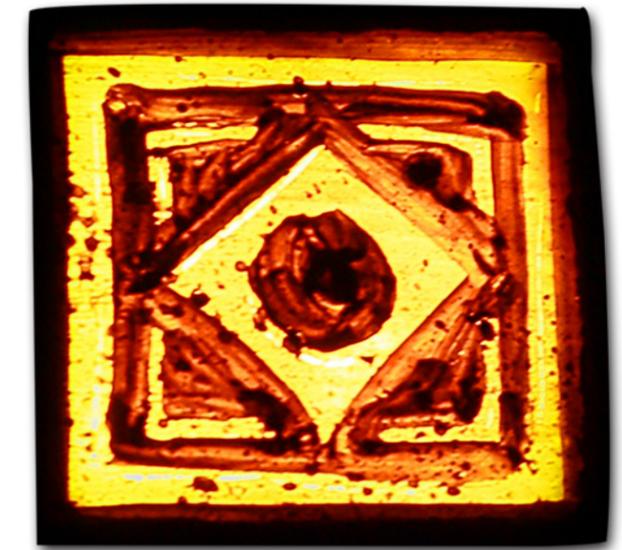
We welcome Elizabeth and Ty Shaffer, and their children, Margaret and John, into our church family.

In Need of Healing Prayer

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

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

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To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 27, 2019

11 a.m.

SANCTUARY



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Covenant Presbyterian is a dynamic Christian community that gladly invites all people into a transformational experience of faith; boldly proclaims the gospel; bravely works toward a whole and just world; and passionately nurtures discipleship.

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, January 27, 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

Andante Sostenuto C.M. Widor

~ organ ~

Dona Nobis Pacem Traditional

~ Marissa Keener, David McCann, Walter McCann, violin ~

CHORAL INTROIT

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus RESTORATION

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify,
True belief and true repentance,
every grace that brings you nigh.
I will arise and go to Jesus,
he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

~ Covenant Choir ~

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

*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

Gracious and merciful God,
we lift our eyes to embrace the goodness of your creation
and are confronted with pain,
broken hearts and broken lives that reside among us.
We harbor and inflict hurt,
often finding ourselves on the far shore of all that you hold dear.
Forgive us, we pray,
and open our hearts to your precious promise of new life.
Give us ready hands and open hearts
to receive your gift of forgiveness,
of new life, of transforming grace.
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

ANTHEM

Arise, My Soul, Arise D. Forrest

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears;
the chosen sacrifice in my behalf appears:
before the throne my surety stands,
my name is written on his hands.

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary,
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me:
"Forgive them, O, forgive" they cry,
"nor let that ransomed sinner die."

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear,
he takes me for his child, I can no longer fear;
with confidence I now draw nigh
and "Father, Abba, Father," cry. Arise, my soul, arise.

~ Marissa Keener, violin ~

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 23:34 New Testament, p. 83

HYMN OF PREPARATION 446

How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions MEIRONYDD

SERMON

"The Divine Disposition" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: The Four Sides of Forgiveness

SERMON RESPONSE (choir and congregation)

Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream,
all the fitness he requireth
is to feel your need of him.
I will arise and go to Jesus,
he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

* You are invited to rise in body or spirit

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Capital Campaign Construction Update Carl Powell

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Gavotte J. Rameau

~ Marissa Keener, violin ~

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 694

Great God of Every Blessing AURELIA

Great God of every blessing,
of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness,
the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you?
Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely, I offer you my heart.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 610 (verses 1-4)

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 610 (verse 5)

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

POSTLUDE

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing P. Manz

