

## THE WORSHIP SERVICE

### Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister  
Grady Moseley, interim minister of congregational life, pastoral care  
Julia Watkins, pastoral resident  
Heather Potter, director of traditional music  
Chase Loomer, guest organist  
Kenney Potter, choral conductor  
Carolyn Lohr, carillonneur  
Betty Graybeal, usher team leader

### 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 celebration of the marriage of Mary Clare Sugg Bracey and Scott Alexander Chinery, yesterday in the Sanctuary.

### Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism with the Matinata Family

Grandparents: Steve and Elise Paquette of Brooklyn, N.Y.;  
Linda Matinata of Charlotte; aunt: Carla Litrenta of Charlotte.  
Ariel Gritter stands as Elder with the Matinata family.

### Cover Image

*The Light of the Lord Shines Forth from Jerusalem* is located in the Sanctuary on the east nave adjacent the transept. Divine light from the hand of God extended in protection illuminates the figure of Zion presented as the typology of Mary, the mother of Jesus and the Church. Instruction and the Word of the Lord go forth from the figure Zion to good King Hezekiah as he prays in sackcloth in the temple over a letter threatening defeat from the Rabshakeh of Assyrian King Sennacherib. The angel of the Lord struck down the Assyrian Army and Sennacherib fled as Jerusalem was exalted. Symbols of the Star of Jacob, messianic hope, divine power, and courage complete the background in a medallion framed by the symbols for the apse and chancel of the church. Reference Isa. 2:3; 37:14-20; 36-37. Photo © 2009 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 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 3)

### Births

Congratulations to Lauren and Thomas McCormick on the birth of their twin sons, John McDavid "Mack" and Walker Yates McCormick, on December 25.

### In Need of Healing Prayer

Judy Gaffney  
Edna Hamilton  
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, January 6, 2019  
11 a.m.  
**SANCTUARY**

This service is being streamed live and recorded for online viewing at [media.covenantpresby.org](http://media.covenantpresby.org).

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# A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, January 6, 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.*

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## PRELUDE

*Romance from Symphony 4* . . . . . L. Vierne

## CHORAL INTROIT

*How Lovely, Lord, Is Your Abiding Place* (Psalm 84) . . . . . MERLE'S TUNE

How lovely, Lord, how lovely is your abiding place,  
my soul is longing, fainting, to feast upon your grace.  
The sparrow finds a shelter, a place to build her nest,  
and so your temple calls us within its walls to rest.

~ Covenant Choir ~

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 22

*God of the Sparrow* . . . . . ROEDER

## \*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 loving God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us amend who we are, and who we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your ways and walk in your will,  
to the glory of your name. 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

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Logan Vincent Matinata*, son of Courtney and Matt Matinata

Baptism Response 482 *(Choir and congregation)*

*Baptized in Water* . . . . . BUNESSAN

**Baptized in water, sealed by the spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,  
faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

## TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 56. . . . . Old Testament, p. 495

## SERMON

*"Anxious?"* . . . . . Bob Henderson

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

## OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Be Thou My Vision*. . . . . arr. A. Parker

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
nought be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.  
Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word,  
I ever with thee and thou with me,  
Lord, thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower,  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.  
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise.  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always,  
Thou and thou only first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.  
High King of heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joy. O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall.  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

~ 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.**

## 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

*We Are One in Christ* . . . . . J. Chepponis

As the bread of life is broken the cup of love outpoured,  
we are one in Christ, our Savior, and sent to serve the Lord.

We, the many who are gathered are united here as one.  
In this joyful celebration, recall what God has done.

In the word of God proclaimed here, the good news of truth is heard.  
In the telling of the stories, be open to God's word.

In the bread of life here given, we become what we receive.  
In the cup of love here offered, affirm what we believe.

Sent as blessing for God's people, to go forth in love and peace,  
in our witness to God's kingdom, may charity increase.

~ Donald Holland, baritone ~

## Prayer of Dedication

## \*RECESSIONAL HYMN 529

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* . . . . . UNION SEMINARY

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 536

*Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen* . . . . . SURGE ECCLESIA

**Rise, O church, like Christ arisen,  
from this meal of love and grace;  
May we through such love envision whose we are,  
and whose our praise.  
Alleluia, Alleluia: God, the wonder of our days.**

## POSTLUDE

*Allegro maestoso e Vivace from Sonata 4* . . . . . F. Mendelssohn



\* You are invited to rise in body or spirit