

## THE WORSHIP SERVICE

### Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister; Ian Clark, pastoral resident  
Margo Richardson, seminary intern  
Heather Potter, director of traditional music  
Robert Dicks, associate director of traditional music & organist  
Kenney Potter, choral conductor; Ben Unger, carillonneur  
Randy Kixmiller, usher team leader

### Audio and Visuals

Cleveland Elam (video), Linda Hall (audio), Joel St. Onge (visuals)

### Leading Other Services

Julia Watkins, 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 Sarah Hannon  
Meanor by her family

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

Great grandparents: William and Claudette Honeycutt of Winston-Salem, NC, Ann Hagler of Charlotte, Martin Hankinson of Wilmington, NC; grandparents: Brad and Beth Hagler of Kernersville, NC, Chad and Catherine Hankinson of Wrightsville Beach, NC, Randy and Karan Murray of Gansevoort, NY; great-aunts and uncles: Dean and Melissa Abee of Kernersville, N.C., Tad and Lou Anne Adams of Zebulon, NC, Robert Hagler of Charlotte; aunts and uncles: Johnny and Lauren Svoboda of Huntersville, NC, Martin and Marie Hankinson of Wilmington, Greg Hankinson and Lexi Papas of Charlotte, Jennie Julius of Wrightsville Beach; second cousins: John Abee of Greenville, NC, Will Abee of Charlotte; cousin: Lilly Svoboda of Huntersville. William Honeycutt of Shallowford Presbyterian in Lewisville, NC stands as elder with the Hankinson family.

### Cover Image

*Light and Life* is located in the chapel in the North apse window. "Light" on the vertical axis of the Greek cross, the axis mundi connecting heaven and earth and a symbol of divine power, bisects "life" on the horizontal axis of this world. Divine light illuminated the life of St. Paul, and ours, revealing participation in the will of the crowd, God the innocent victim of violence from which we profit in ignorance, not knowing what we do. Trinitarian symbols in each lobe of the quatrefoil emphasize the victory of the Holy Spirit as defender of the accused, proving the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment against Satan the accuser, whom Jesus saw fall like lightning. References: Acts 9:1-12; Lk 10:18; Jn 16:7. Photo: © Jonsilla.com 2010. Used with permission.

### Covenant Kids Summer Sunday School (May 27 through Sept 2)

Elementary students will attend 9:30 a.m. worship and register with a shepherd in the narthex. Following the "Time With Young Disciples," students leave for a lesson in EW207. Parents pick up children from class. Preschool – Kindergarten children may be brought by parents to first floor at any time during worship. Check in at electronic monitor or classroom door (age as of Aug. 31, 2017). Music and story time are provided in the center hall at both worship hours. (Please note: parents, not siblings, are responsible for dropping off and picking up children from child care and Sunday School.)

## 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.

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 yourself and sharing a warm greeting, you express the hospitality of our congregation. Please share a smile and welcoming word with those around you.

## CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (AS OF JUNE 7)

### Death in the Church

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to Jeanie and Jeff Del Sordo and their family on the death of her mother, Peggy Hunter, on June 2, and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection.

### In Need of Healing Prayer

Neta Caldwell, Lou Crites  
Lamont Hudson, Tom Holland  
Rick Lawson, John McGee  
Joe Pool, Chris Spaugh  
Ali Summerville, Bob Taylor  
Barry Thackston, Barbara White

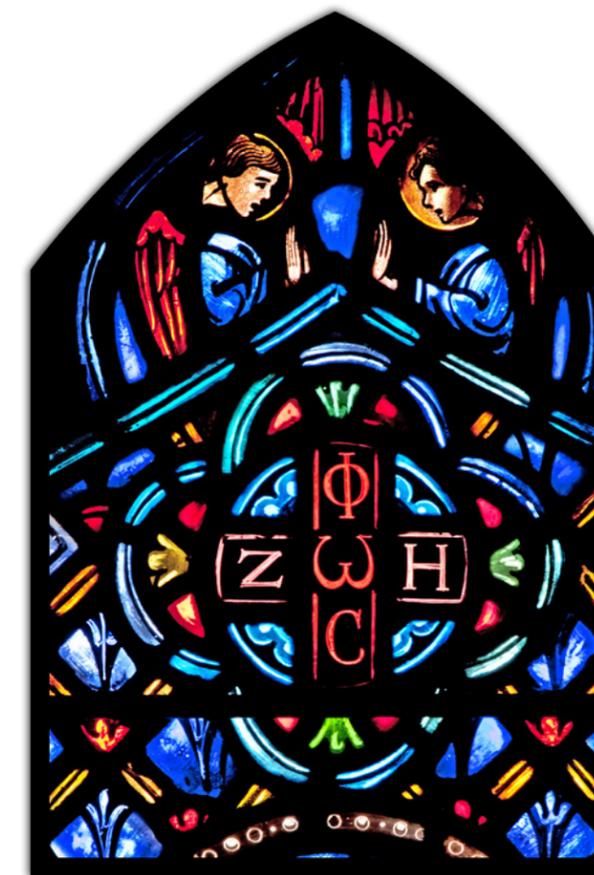
### Birth

Congratulations to Katie and Joey Raborn on the birth of their daughter, Grace Reynolds, on May 21

This worship service is being streamed via the Internet and video recorded for online viewing.  
♻️ If you would not like to keep this bulletin, please recycle it in the bins located in the narthex.



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*To the Greater Glory of God*  
**A SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
Sunday, June 10, 2018  
11 a.m.  
SANCTUARY

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, June 10, 2018

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

*Fugue in G Major* . . . . . J.S. Bach

## \*DOXOLOGY . . . . . LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## \*PRAYER OF ADORATION

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 667

*When Morning Gilds the Skies* . . . . . LAUDES DOMINI

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Living God, you call us to live for the sake of the gospel,  
to take up a cross, to go the second mile,  
to forgive seventy times seven.  
We confess our skepticism,  
for we want there to be another way.

We confess our fear, for we worry about what we might lose.

We confess our fatigue, for we have tried,  
and have fallen short once again.

But we are here, O God,  
praying that your truth might cast aside our doubt,  
and your love would cast out our fear,  
and your mercy would strengthen our spirits,  
that our hearts might be drawn closer to you.

Congregational Response 698 (*choir and congregation*)

Take, O take me as I am. Summon out what I shall be.  
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Assurance of Pardon

\*Congregational Response 581 (*choir and congregation*)

*Glory Be to the Father* . . . . . GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Robert "Jack" John Hankinson, son of Sarah and Rob Hankinson

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

Acts 9:1-9. . . . . New Testament, p. 119

## SERMON

"Lead With Grace?" . . . . . Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: Fearless Living in a Fearsome World

## \*HYMN OF RESPONSE 450

*Be Thou My Vision* . . . . . SLANE

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH . . . . . from A Declaration of Faith

Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record.  
The Bible is the account of God's word and action in history,  
together with his people's response in faith.  
It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel  
and the church towards the kingdom of God,  
his just and loving rule over all.  
It is the story of the one God, who is the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit. That story is still unfolding  
and in faith we make it our own.  
It forms our memory and our hope.  
It tells us who we are and what we are to do.  
To retell it is to declare what we believe.

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

## MISSION COMMISSIONING

## 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.

\*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

*Based on passages from Isaiah, Craig Courtney's "Be Not Afraid" is an interpretation of God's redeeming power. In turns both powerful and tender, Courtney paints with sound the emotional shifts in this scripture. Speaking about choirs, Courtney said, "You can transcend gender, and political bent, and race...and become one unit, one organism." This anthem epitomizes his ability to find unity in both the choral sound and in God's providence.*

## OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Be Not Afraid* . . . . . C. Courtney

Be not afraid: for I have redeemed you;  
Be not afraid: I have called you by name.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
When you pass through the floods,  
they will not sweep o'er you;  
When you walk through the fire,  
you will not be consumed;  
You are mine, you are precious in my sight.

My love for you is everlasting,  
my love for you shall have no end.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
When you pass through the floods,  
they will not sweep o'er you;  
When you walk through the fire,  
you will not be consumed;  
You are mine, you are precious in my sight.

~ Covenant Choir ~

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 394

*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!

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## \*RECESSIONAL HYMN 300

*We Are One in the Spirit* . . . . . KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 14

*For The Beauty of The Earth* . . . . . DIX

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.

## \*POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune in D* . . . . . D. Johnson

