

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Margo Richardson, seminary intern
Joan Watson, associate minister
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

Audio and Visuals

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

Leading Other Services

Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts
Jessica Patchett, associate minister

Cover Image

The Prophet Jonah is located on the East nave of the Sanctuary adjacent the transept. Is John Mark a type of Jonah, a prophet through whom God accomplished his purposes for a foreign people despite Jonah's culture of nationalist reform? Or is he one Paul likens to those who have tasted goodness and then fallen away on their own – crucifying again the Son of God, thorns springing from the soil on which the Word has been sown and watered, on the verge of being cursed and burned? The story of our complicity in injustice is complex, yet we see the promise of God's renewal in society of human life and victory over wrong. Reference: Acts 15:37-40; Heb 6:5-8; *Confession of 1967*. Photo: © 2009, JonSilla.com. 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 (today) 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 21)

In Need of Healing Prayer

Keven Adams
Neta Caldwell
Lou Crites
Tom Holland
Lamont Hudson
John McGee
Gale Pendergraph
Joe Pool
Bob Taylor
Barry Thackston
Barbara White



To the Greater Glory of God
A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 24, 2018
11 a.m.
SANCTUARY

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

♻️ If you would not like to keep this bulletin, please recycle it in the bins located in the narthex.



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A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, June 24, 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

In Heaven Above A. Miller

*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 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty UNSER HERRSCHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, when we are lost in fear and pain,

we get our questions confused.

We ask, why is this happening?

We ask, how are we supposed to find hope?

We ask, where will we finally fit in?

We ask, in what direction can we cast blame?

We ask, when will justice roll down?

Forgive us, God, when we forget to ask, who.

Who can we trust? Who is the repairer of the breach?

Who promises to be with us always?

Who can bring life to every form of death?

Who is doing a new thing, even now?

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

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 15:36-41. New Testament, p. 128

SERMON

"What's Your Name?" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: Fearless Living in a Fearsome World

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 719

Come, Labor On ORA LABORA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the Life everlasting.

Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

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.

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Non Nobis, Domine R. Quilter

Not unto us, O Lord,

the praise and glory be of any deed or word.

For in thy judgment lies to crown or bring to nought

All knowledge and device that man has reached or wrought.

And we confess our blame, how all too high we hold

That noise which men call fame, that dross which men call gold.

For these we undergo our hot and godless days,

But in our souls we know not unto us the praise.

O power, by whom we live, Creator, Judge, and Friend,

Upholdingly forgive, nor leave us at the end.

But grant us yet to see, in all our pilgrim ways,

Non nobis, Domine, not unto us the praise.

~ *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 546

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing SICILIAN MARINERS

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION 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

Carillon H. Murrill



* You are invited to rise in body or spirit