

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Joan Watson, associate minister
Jen Christianson, pastoral resident
John Richardson, director of traditional music and principal organist
Rob Dicks, assistant director of traditional music
Molly Savage, carillonneur
Betty Graybeal, usher team leader

Sound and Visuals

Cleveland Elam (video), Dave Welchman (audio)

Leading Other Services

Jessica Patchett, associate minister
Evan Amo, pastoral resident
Daniel Heath, contemporary worship leader

Lenten Worship Banners

Ron Boozer, Anna Ferone, Katherine Roehrig, Anne White,
Anne McQuiston, Katherine Richey, Cheryl McLawhorn,
Katherine Lawson

The silk banners displayed in the sanctuary were created by members of the worship arts team during a weekend arts retreat with artist Lisle Gwynn Garrity. Working from the scriptures chosen for the six Sundays in Lent, the team collaborated to visually proclaim themes and images found in the scriptures as a whole. In their study, they discerned an overall theme of the duality of sin and grace, highlighting that our journey into the wilderness brings us through valleys that expose the depth of our pain and brokenness, while also guiding us to triumphant peaks where we are transformed by God's grace. Each banner explores different facets of our journey into the wilderness.

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 will be 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.

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 MARCH 2)

In Memoriam

Louise Cress Grubbs
Elder Emerita

December 13, 1919 - February 26, 2017

Michael Steven Hewat

August 25, 1950 - February 27, 2017

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to Susan and Alan Hickok on the death of her mother and to Emily and Melissa Hickok on the death of their grandmother, Louise Cress Grubbs, and to Carolyn Hewat on the death of her husband and to Andrew, Elizabeth and Robert Hewat on the death of their father, Michael Steven Hewat and rejoices with them all in the assurance of the resurrection.

In Need of Healing Prayer

Neta Caldwell, Susan Hickok, Carlyle Hill, Roy Joslin
Katherine Lawson, Arthur Morehead, Amy Sullivan, Bob Taylor

Welcome New Members

Please join us in welcoming Jack Hunter, Brooke and Steven Szitas, Cristina Wilson and Marisa Wilson into our church family

Birth

Congratulations to Amelia and Keith Hernandez who celebrated the birth of their son, Liam Noé Hernandez, on February 26

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, March 5, 2017

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.

~ Large print bulletins with hymns ~
are available from the ushers.

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, March 5, 2017

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

Trio Sonata III: Adagio J.S. Bach

Turn to Us Lord Jesus Christ

~ Rob Dicks, organ ~

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ Potter/Helman

~ The Covenant Bell Ensemble ~

DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUIEN

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 618

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High DEO GRACIAS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.

We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way.

We are misled by pride,

for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small.

We have failed in love,

neglected justice,

and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness

through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 444

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive DETROIT

**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.**

* You are invited to rise in body or spirit

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response

Gloria Patri GREATOREX

**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

Luke 4:1-11 New Testament, p. 57

SERMON

Jesus' Journey Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: Journeys In The Wilderness

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 166

Lord, Who Throughout These forty Days ST. FLAVIAN

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CONCERNS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hide Me Under the Shadow of Thy Wings J. West

Hide me under the shadow of Thy wings, O Lord,
and give Thine angels charge concerning me:

That I may lie down in peace, and take my rest,

For it is Thou, Lord, only,

that makest me to dwell in safety.

~ The 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.

Hymn of Preparation 510 (*seated*)

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name COME, SHARE THE LORD

*During the singing of the Hymn of Preparation, members of
Covenant Church families bring forward loaves of bread which they
provide for the sacrament. Gluten-free rice crackers are also available.*

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Music at Communion 525

Let Us Break Bread Together Let Us Break Bread

~ The Covenant Choir ~

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 739 (verses 1-3)

O for a Closer Walk with God CAITHNESS

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 739 (verse 4)

O for a Closer Walk with God CAITHNESS

**So shall my walk be close with God,
calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road
that leads me to the Lamb.**

*POSTLUDE

Voluntary in D G. Dyson



The anthem we bear today, "Hide Me Under the Shadow of Thy Wings," is a tapestry of psalms woven together in music. Psalm 18 says "Keep me as the apple of your eye, hide me in the shadow of your wings." It is with the latter metaphor that our anthem begins prayerfully. After invoking Psalm 91:11 for the protection of angels, the music ends with a paraphrase of Psalm 4:8. The composer sets every syllable with a note, and diligently brings out the text of these psalms in sung prayer.