

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading worship this morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Ian Clark, pastoral resident
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Robert Dicks, associate director of traditional music & organist
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Nancy Sutton, Alan Kuester, usher team leaders

Leading other services

Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts
Grady Moseley, interim minister of congregational life, pastoral care
Julia Watkins, pastoral resident
Carolyn Lohr, carillonneur

WELCOME TO COVENANT

Welcome to this service of Word and Sacrament at Covenant Presbyterian Church. The beautiful Morrison Chapel – with its intimate architecture, artful appointments and stunning stained glass windows that tell the “old, old story” – is the setting for this traditional service. With the finest of instruments we raise our voices in praise of God. In the majesty and mystery of worship and the sacraments it is our hope and prayer that all encounter the living Lord.

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.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (AS OF MAY 2)

In Memoriam

Martha Pegram Mitchell

November 1, 1917 – April 30, 2019

A memorial service will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in the Chapel.

Isabel Starr

December 24, 1926 – April 30, 2019

Deaths in the Church Family

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to the families of Martha Mitchell and Isabel Starr; and to Bev Rotert and her family on the death of her son, Brooks Campbell Rotert, on April 2; and rejoices with them all in the assurance of the resurrection.

Wedding

Congratulations to Deborah Gray and Nathan Walsh, who celebrated the occasion of their marriage yesterday in the Chapel.

In Need of Healing Prayer

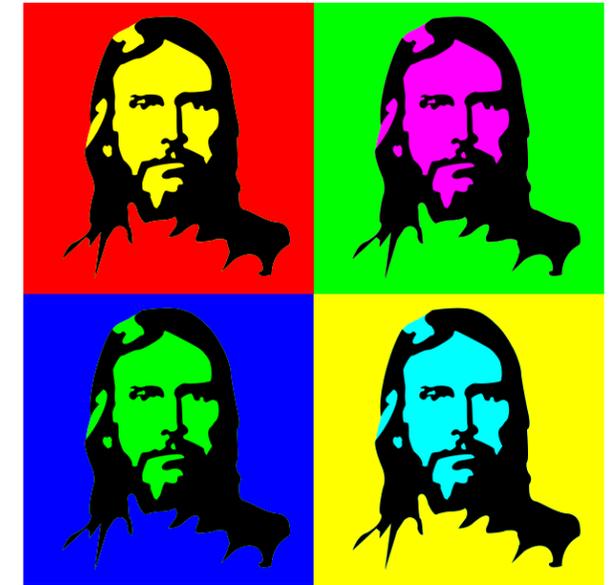
Judy Gaffney, Lamont Hudson,
Frank Mansfield, Lillian Neal,
Helen Neubauer, D'Arlene Pound,
Susan Richards, Polly Smith,
Bob Taylor, Robert M. Taylor, Barbara White

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PORTRAITS OF THE CHRIST



SERMON SERIES – MAY 5-26

To the Greater Glory of God

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND COMMUNION

Sunday, May 5, 2019

8:45 a.m.

CHAPEL

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.

SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, May 5, 2019
8:45 a.m.
Chapel

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.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Intermezzo in A Major J. Brahms

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE 33

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show LLANFAIR

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Silent Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
you who shaped all that is, out of nothing,
forgive us for returning empty-handed.
You who called for the light,
forgive our preference for the shadows!
Forgive our unwillingness to say anything at all.
We yearn for clean hearts, O God,
and renewed spirits within us.
Hear us, O God, as we come to you,
confessing those sins we speak of openly
as well as those we speak only in our hearts.
Through Christ, the Lord of all, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Congregational Response 755 (choir and congregation)

Alleluia! Laud and Blessing WIESSE FLAGGEN

Alleluia! Laud and blessing
to our God whose word is sure;
by whose grace we find redemption,
in whose love we live secure.
Righteousness and rich compassion
shall attend us all our days;
may God's promise to be faithful
echo through our songs of praise!

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please greet those nearest you with the peace of Christ

COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Gather at the River S. LaBarr

When peace, like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot,
thou hast taught me to say, It is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river that flows
by the throne of God.

And Lord, hast the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

~ Chapel Choir ~

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:23-24. New Testament, p. 3

SERMON

"Urgent" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: Portraits of the Christ

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

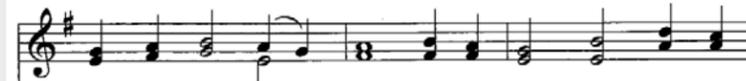
Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Hymn of Preparation 516

For the Bread Which You Have Broken KINGDOM



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your
3 With the saints who now a - dore you seat - ed
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our



wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
at the heaven - ly board, may the church still wait - ing
hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you



spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

We celebrate communion by the long practiced means of intinction, which is the administration of the sacrament of the sacrament by dipping gluten-free bread into the cup. As we join together in communion, let us remember the invitation of the psalmist to "taste and see the goodness of God!"

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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

SENDING

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds (verse 1) DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare J. Lemmens

