

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Grady Moseley, interim minister of congregational life, pastoral care
Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts
Stephanie Guffin, usher team leader

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Andy Ball (vocals), Paul Fisher (drums), LaVita Hill (vocals), Joe Latimer (saxophone), Jolene Powell (vocals), Charlie Trexler (electric guitar)

Leading Other Services

Ian Clark, pastoral resident
Robert Dicks, assistant director of traditional music & organist
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Burton Mackey, carillonneur

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
James Jones White III, by his family.

Cover Image

The Apocalypse of Matthew is located in the Chapel gallery, the uppermost medallion of which refers to Ephesians 5:2, "...be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." The entire window illustrates six scenes from Matthew 24:31-40: Feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, and visiting the imprisoned. Where Christ is, there also is the Christian community. Christ mediates relationships between God and human beings through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. Beloved, we are clothed in the presence and activity of Christ in the world today. Reference Col. 3:12-15; Mt 24:21-46; Ep 5:1-2. Photo © 2011 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 each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building.

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.

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 31)

Welcome New Members

Please welcome Kimberly Diedrich
Thomas Langa and Blaire Jenkins
Ginny and Stewart Sloan, and daughters, Elizabeth and Eleanor,
into our church family.

Death in the Church

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to the family of Barbara Ann and John Zizzi on the death of her father, Jim Wilson, on January 29, and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection.

In Need of Healing Prayer

Judy Gaffney
Lamont Hudson
Frank Mansfield
Lillian Neal
Joe Pool
Bob Taylor
Barbara White

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| 1. 1994 WB Music Corp and Warner-Tamerlane Publishing | 5. 1998 Vineyard Songs (UK/Eire) |
| 2. 2016 Republic Records | 6. 2013 India.Arie, Inc |
| 3. 2011 Eddie Kirkland Music and Songs At North Point | 7. 2012 Universal Music Publishing |
| 4. 2002 Thankyou Music | 8. 1984, 1987 Fred Bock Music Company |
| | 9. 1996 Rick Muchow (Encouraging Music) |

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND COMMUNION
Sunday, February 3, 2019
9:30 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.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, February 3, 2019

9:30 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.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

I'll Be There For You D. Crane, M. Kauffman, A. Willis, et al¹

So no one told you life was gonna be this way
Your job's a joke, you're broke, your love life's D.O.A
It's like you're always stuck in second gear
When it hasn't been your day, your week
Your month, or even your year, but

I'll be there for you (when the rain starts to pour)
I'll be there for you (like I've been there before)
I'll be there for you ('cause you're there for me too)

You're still in bed at ten and work began at eight
You've burned your breakfast, so far things are going great
Your mother warned you there'd be days like these
But she didn't tell you when the world has brought
You down to your knees that

No one could ever know me. No one could ever see me
Seems you're the only one who knows what it's like to be me
Someone to face the day with, make it through all the rest with
Someone I'll always laugh with even at my worst, I'm best with you, yeah

It's like you're always stuck in second gear
When it hasn't been your day, your week
Your month, or even your year

I'll be there for you ('Cause you're there for me too)

Divorce Separation Blues S. Avett²

I'm gonna keep on living even though I sometimes do
Fantasize about disappearing down in the ocean blue
Just to get some peace and quiet from the warfare inside my heart
Well I've been under ear-splitting fire ever since we've been apart
Well I'm gonna wash the dishes, pay the bills and watch the news

I've got the tough education. No celebration
Divorce separation blues

Well I'm gonna keep on waking and rising up before the sun
And lying in the dark wide awake
When everybody else is done and sleeping in their beds so peaceful
Dreaming with the love they choose

And I'll sign on the line beneath my name
The road is gone. I can't go back the way we came

Well neither one of us really wanna hit the town
We try to keep our friends at bay
Try to keep the gossip down

Well some folks just want the dirt
And don't even care if it's true
But then again who cares who's talking
I'm worried for myself and you

They say one of every two bound to be set aflame
Every level of resentment responsibility and blame
Well now I'm bound to break a promise
One I made to God and you

I've got the tough education
No celebration. Bad communication
Worse interpretation. Love deprivation
Pain allocation. Soul devastation
Cold desolation. Life complication
Resuscitation. Divorce separation blues

Welcome & Announcements

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**Here & Now* E. Kirkland³

**Across The Lands* K. Getty, S. Townend⁴

**Prayer of Adoration*

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

All Who Are Thirsty B. Brown, G. Robertson⁵

(prayer response)

**Come Lord Jesus come
Come Lord Jesus come**

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

A Time with Young Disciples

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.**

I Am Light I Arie⁶

(solo)

I'm not the mistakes that I have made
Or any of the things that caused me pain
I am not the pieces of the dream I left behind

(congregation)

I am light, I am light.

Offering

I Will Wait Mumford and Sons⁷

Well I came home, like a stone and I fell heavy into your arms
These days of dust, which we've known
Will blow away with this new sun

And I'll kneel down. Wait for now
And I'll kneel down. Know my ground
And I will wait, I will wait for you
And I will wait, I will wait for you

So break my step and relent
Well you forgave and I won't forget
Know what we've seen, and him with less
Now in some way, shake the excess

Cause I will wait, I will wait for you
And I will wait, I will wait for you

So I'll be bold as well as strong
And use my head alongside my heart
So tame my flesh and fix my eyes
A tethered mind, freed from the lies

But I'll kneel down. Wait for now
I'll kneel down. Know my ground
Raise my hands. Paint my spirit gold
And bow my head. Keep my heart slow

Cause I will wait, I will wait for you

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-15. New Testament, p. 190

SERMON

"For Better or Worse" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: The Four Sides of Forgiveness

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

**Come Share The Lord* B.J. Leech⁸

GO IN GOD'S NAME

**Invitation and Benediction*

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁹