

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Julia Watkins, pastoral resident
Jason Graffis, director of contemporary worship and arts
John Hairr, usher team leader

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Cheryl Hoover (bass, vocals), Jessica Hindman (vocals), Pam Jepsen (vocals), Win Smith (electric guitar)

Audio and Visuals

Ricko Hill (video), Walton St. Onge (visuals),
Dave Welchman (audio)

Leading Other Services

Ian Clark, pastoral resident
Robert Dicks, assistant director of traditional music & organist
Grady Moseley, interim minister of congregational life, pastoral care
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Ben Unger, carillonneur

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 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.

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 MAY 16)

In Memoriam

Dona Victoria Burroughs
July 14, 1920 – May 4, 2019

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to the family of Dona Burroughs and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection. There will be celebration of her life at 3 p.m. tomorrow at Sharon Towers.

Death in the Church Family

The congregation extends its sincere sympathy and love to the family of Judy and Dan Hays on the death of her mother, Jane Clark, on May 15, and rejoices with them in the assurance of the resurrection.

Baptisms Today at Covenant (11:00 Sanctuary)

John McDavid "Mack" McCormick and Walker Yates McCormick,
sons of Lauren and Thomas McCormick

Welcome

We welcome new member, David Daniels, into our church family.

In Need of Healing Prayer

Judy Gaffney, Lamont Hudson, Frank Mansfield, Lillian Neal, Helen Neubauer, Rob Pickard, Polly Smith, Bob Taylor, Barbara White

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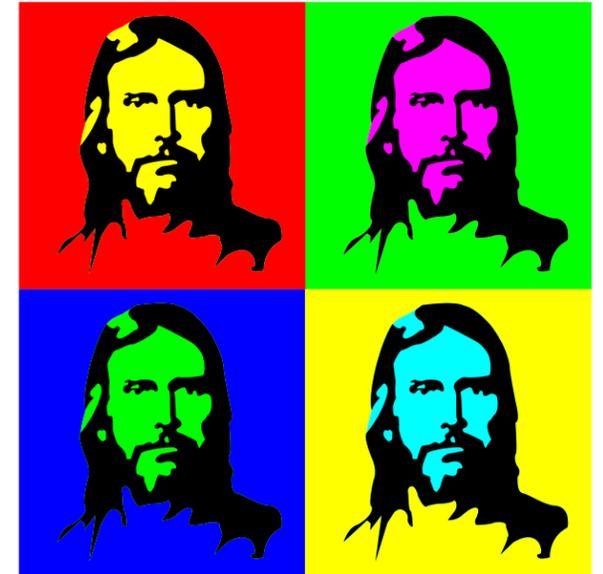
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PORTRAITS OF THE CHRIST



SERMON SERIES – MAY 5-26

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 19, 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, May 19, 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

One U2¹

Is it getting better or do you feel the same
Will it make it easier on you
Now you got someone to blame

You say: One love, one life, when it's one need in the night
One love, we get to share. It leaves you baby
If you don't care for it

Did I disappoint you?
Or leave a bad taste in your mouth?
You act like you never had love
And you want me to go without

Well it's too late tonight, to drag the past out into the light
We're one, but we're not the same
We get to carry each other, carry each other. One

Have you come here for forgiveness
Have you come to raise the dead
Have you come here to play Jesus
To the lepers in your head

Did I ask too much, more than a lot
You gave me nothing, now it's all I got
We're one, but we're not the same

Well we hurt each other, then we do it again
You say: Love is a temple, love a higher law.
Love is a temple, love the higher law

You ask me to enter, but then you made me crawl
And I can't be holding on to what you got
When all you got is hurt

Well it's too late tonight, to drag the past out into the light
We're one, but we're not the same
We get to carry each other, carry each other. One

Let Justice Flow Down D. Romanow²

Let justice flow down, down like a river
Down to the valleys where the helpless cry,
Righteousness flow through us forever,
Lead us to the stream that will never run dry.

Flow to the mouths of the hungry,
Flow to the hands of the poor,
Flow to the hearts of the orphans
To the ravages of war

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

Flow to the streets of the homeless,
Finding no place they can go,
Flow to the cells of the prisoners
Facing each day alone.

Flow through the courts of our nation,
Guide us in love's decrees,
Lead us like streams of salvation,
Flood our lands with peace

Welcome & Announcements

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

*Let Justice Flow Down D. Romanow²

*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending R. L. Edwards, B.F. White³

*Prayer of Adoration

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

Take My Life S. Underwood⁴
(prayer response, sung by all)

So take our hearts and form them.
Take our minds transform them
Take our wills conform them.
To Yours to Yours oh Lord

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.

Lord, Listen To Your Children K. Medema⁵

(first time worship team, then congregation joins)
Lord listen to Your children praying
Lord send Your Spirit in this place
Lord listen to Your children praying
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace

Offering

Show The Way D. Wilcox⁶

You say you see no hope
You say you see no reason we should dream
That the world would ever change
You're saying love is foolish to believe

'Cause there'll always be some crazy
With an army or a knife
To wake you from your day dream
Put the fear back in your life

Look, if someone wrote a play just to glorify
What's stronger than hate
Would they not arrange the stage
To look as if the hero came too late?
He's almost in defeat

It's looking like the evil side will win
So on the edge of every seat
From the moment that the whole thing begins,

It is love who makes the mortar
And it's love who stacked these stones
And it's love who made the stage here
Although it looks like we're alone

In this scene set in shadows
Like the night is here to stay
There is evil cast around us
But it's love that wrote the play
For in this darkness love can show the way

So now the stage is set
Feel you own heart beating in your chest
This life's not over yet

So we get up on our feet and do our best
We play against the fear
We play against the reasons not to try
We're playing for the tears
Burning in the happy angel's eyes

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIM ED

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-7 New Testament, p. 54

Sermon

"Making Room" Bob Henderson
Sermon Series: Portraits of the Christ

*I Will Follow R. Morgan, C. Tomlin⁷

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

*For I Know R. Muchow⁸