

# BE A LIGHT TO THE WORLD

## Covenant Presbyterian Church

For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you  
a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the  
ends of the earth."

Acts 13:47



MISSIONS MONTH 2025

## Chiming of the Hour

### Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jamie Lambert

Christ Is Risen. *He Is Risen Indeed.*

### Call to Worship, Invocation and 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.*

### Private Confession of Sin

#### Congregational Confession of Sin

*Holy God we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us true repentance and cause us to hate our sins. Have mercy on us and forgive us because of the complete and finished work of Jesus. Lead us in the way everlasting in Jesus name we pray. Amen.*

### Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

### The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 sits 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church \*  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**Hymn 444**            *O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling*

**Responsive Reading**    *Westminster Larger Catechism 107-108*

107. Which is the second commandment?

*The second commandment is, Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.*

108. What are the duties required in the second commandment?

*The duties required in the second commandment are, the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God hath instituted in his word; particularly prayer and thanksgiving in the name of Christ; the reading, preaching, and hearing of the word; the administration and receiving of the sacraments; church government and discipline; the ministry and maintenance thereof; religious fasting; swearing by the name of God, and vowing unto him: as also the disapproving, detesting, opposing, all false worship; and, according to each one's place and calling, removing it, and all monuments of idolatry.*

**Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Adam Peeler

## Offertory

Reformation Hymn

We will trust God's Word alone,  
where His perfect will is known;  
Our traditions shift like sand  
while His truth forever stands.  
We will live by faith alone,  
clothed in merit not our own;  
All we claim is Jesus Christ  
and his finished sacrifice.

We are saved by grace alone-  
undeserved, yet freely shown;  
No accomplishment on earth  
can achieve the second birth.  
We will stand on Christ alone,  
the unyielding Cornerstone;  
Nations rage and devils roar,  
still He reigns forevermore!

## Chorus

*Glory be, glory be to God alone  
through the Church He redeemed and made His own.  
He has freed us, He will keep us  
till we're safely home.  
Glory be, glory be to God alone!*

## Offertory Prayer

Rev. Adam Peeler

## Hymn

How Deep The Father's Love For Us  
See handout

## Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:33-46

This is the Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**

The Rejected Stone and the Mission of God

Rev. Jamie Lambert

**Hymn 613**

Give Thanks unto the Lord, Jehovah

**Benediction**

**Congregational Response**

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
look full in his wonderful face,  
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
in the light of his glory and grace.*

# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM

(Minister | Congregation)

## Call to Worship

Psalm 117

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

*For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!*

## Invocation

Matthew 6:9-13

*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

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

See handout

## Reading of the Law

Exodus 20

I. You shall have no other gods before Me.

II. *You shall not make for yourself an idol.*

*You shall not worship them or serve them.*

III. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

IV. *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.*

V. Honor your father and your mother.

VI. *You shall not murder.*

VII. You shall not commit adultery.

VIII. *You shall not steal.*

IX. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

X. *You shall not covet.*

## Confession of Sin

**Assurance of Pardon**

Lamentations 3:21-23

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn 672**

Trust and Obey

**Scripture Reading**

Joshua 14:6-15

This is the Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**

Caleb's Retirement Plan

Rev. Adam Peeler

**Responsive Reading**

Heidelberg Catechism 67

Are both the word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?

*Yes! In the gospel the Holy Spirit teaches us and by the holy sacraments confirms that our entire salvation rests on Christ's one sacrifice for us on the cross.*

**The Lord's Supper**

**Hymn 598**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

**Benediction**

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## **Mission Month Morning Service, Sermon Series**

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March 02 - Matthew 21:28-32

The Call To True Obedience in Mission

March 09 - Revelation 5:1-10

The Prayers of the Saints

March 16 - Matthew 21:33-46

The Rejected Stone and the Mission of God

March 23 - Matthew 22:1-4

The Wedding Feast and the Call to the Nation

March 30 - Matthew 22:15-22

Rendering to God: The Gospel and the Mission Cleanses the Church

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## **Missionaries**

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Alex & Maggie Halbert

Mission to the World, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Brian & Megan Moore

Mission to the World, Germany

Nathan Dicks

Reformed University Fellowship, Boston University

Ashley Lanier

Reformed University Fellowship, United States Air Force Academy

Matt Mahla

Reformed University Fellowship, Duke University

Tracey West

Reformed University Fellowship, GA Teach

Tim Kay

Edwood Ministries



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## **\*Heidelberg Catechism 54**

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What do you believe concerning the holy catholic Christian church?

I believe that the Son of God, out of the whole human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, defends, and preserves for Himself, by His Spirit and Word, in the unity of the true faith, a church chosen to everlasting life. And I believe that I am and forever shall remain a living member of it.

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## **Prayer for the Persecuted Church from Voice of the Martyrs**

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Pray for Iran: Praise God for the Bibles that have been smuggled into Iran. Pray for the success of ongoing Bible distributions.

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## **Children in Worship**

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Worship is for the whole family, so we encourage you to have your children in our services! We have children's books and other resources in the foyer. We also have a training room available. Nursery is available for 0-3 year olds.

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## **Taco Mission Meal**

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In Keeping with our mission focus for the month of March, you're invited to a church wide taco meal, Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, following morning worship. We will have the opportunity to come together to enjoy good food, fellowship, and discuss how we can be a light to our neighborhood, our nation, and nations. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer to bring toppings and sides.

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## Ladies!

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Do you love gardening and all things plants, or wish you could learn and do more to make your thumb greener?

Let's get together on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm at the Covenant House Pavilion to share gardening experiences and exchange ideas and expertise. If you'd like, bring plants and/or clippings to share with each other. Lemonade and cookies will be served as refreshments. Invite your friends and let's get digging! For more information contact Mary Carol Hitchell 770-461-2967.

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## New Members Class

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If you have been visiting Covenant and would like to explore membership, please contact Liz Davis at [office@covenantpres.net](mailto:office@covenantpres.net) to let her know.

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## Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study

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Join us for our Men's Bible Study every Wednesday at 9:30 am. This is a great opportunity to grow deeper in God's Word, connect with other men in fellowship, and strengthen your walk with Christ. Whether you are new to studying the Bible or have been reading it for years, all are welcome. Come and be encouraged as we study the book of Acts together. For more information, contact Pastor Jamie Lambert at [jamie@covenantpres.net](mailto:jamie@covenantpres.net)

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## Thursday Evening Men's Bible Study

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Join us for our Thursday evening Men's Bible Study. We meet every second and fourth Thursday of the month at the church. Our next meeting is on March 13<sup>th</sup>. We start at 6:30 pm for about an hour each time. We are currently studying the book of Titus. Come for study, discussion, and fellowship. For any questions, please reach out to Michel at [mvanderhoek.aw@gmail.com](mailto:mvanderhoek.aw@gmail.com) or (770) 776-8365.

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## Save The Date

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Church wide retreat Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Scan the QR code below for more information and to sign up. Call Liz Davis with any questions (770) 460-9450.



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## Library Catalog Access

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The Library Committee has worked for a couple of years on this project. Now you can scan the QR code below and go straight to our collection. Type the author, title, or subject on the line. From home, you can know what we have in the Covenant library! We have great books and resources for you to check out, for children, youth, and adults. (Youth books are in the former youth room.)



## **What can I do during missions' month?**

Encourage Covenant to look at ways we can be a light to our neighbors, our nation, nations.

### **Neighbors**

Commit to praying for 3 people you know

Look to invite 1 person/ family to church

Encourage others in their work

### **Nation**

Commit to praying for 2 ministries in your nation

Learn more about these ministries

Work to encourage one of those ministries

### **Nations**

Commit to praying for 2 ministries serving abroad

Learn more about these ministries

Work to encourage one of those ministries

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For more information about Covenant, check us out online at  
[www.covenantpres.net](http://www.covenantpres.net)

Please don't hesitate to email us with any questions at  
[office@covenantpres.net](mailto:office@covenantpres.net)

We would love to have you join us each Sunday for morning  
and evening worship.

## **COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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