



COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

The Lord's Day
April 14, 2024

Verse of the Year

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart,
O God, you will not despise.

Psalm 51:17

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE | 11:00 AM

(Minister | Congregation)

Prelude

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
Arr. by Don Hustad

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.

Gloria Patri

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.

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 295

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Responsive Reading Westminster Larger Catechism 34 & 35

34. How was the covenant of grace administered under the Old Testament?

The covenant of grace was administered under the Old Testament, by promises, prophecies, sacrifices, circumcision, the passover, and other types and ordinances, which did all fore-signify Christ then to come and were for that time sufficient to build up the elect in faith in the promised Messiah, by whom they then had full remission of sin, and eternal salvation.

35. How is the covenant of grace administered under the New Testament?

Under the New Testament, when Christ the substance was exhibited, the same covenant of grace was and still is to be administered in the preaching of the Word, and the administration of the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; in which grace and salvation are held forth in more fulness, evidence, and efficacy, to all nations.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Adam Peeler

Offertory Anthem

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Words in Hymnal - Hymn 529

Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye Heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Offertory Prayer

Adam Peeler

Hymn

In Christ Alone
See handout

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:1-23

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

Sermon

Parables of the Kingdom Part 1

Rev. Jamie Lambert

Hymn 526

Blessed Are the Sons of God

Benediction

Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary

Based upon an old English Hornpipe

Gordon Young

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM

(Minister | Congregation)

Call to Worship

Matthew 11:28-30

The Lord Jesus says to you, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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 38

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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

Psalm 32:1-5

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn 128

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

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

Sermon

True Forgiveness
Rev. Adam Peeler

Responsive Reading

Westminster Larger Catechism 169

How hath Christ appointed bread and wine to be given and received in the sacrament of the Lord's supper?

Christ hath appointed the ministers of his word, in the administration of this sacrament of the Lord's supper, to set apart the bread and wine from common use, by the word of institution, thanksgiving, and prayer; to take and break the bread, and to give both the bread and the wine to the communicants: who are, by the same appointment, to take and eat the bread, and to drink the wine, in thankful remembrance that the body of Christ was broken and given, and his blood shed, for them.

The Lord's Supper
Hymn 457
Benediction

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer for the Persecuted Church from Voice of the Martyrs

Pray for Syria: Pray that front-line workers reaching Syrian refugees will not grow weary.

The Apostles' Creed

*“he descended into hell” - Jesus received God’s wrath for the elect on the cross (HC 44) and that he truly died (WLC 50).

*“catholic” means whole or universal, not Roman Catholic

Children in Worship

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.

Pastor Lambert Scholarship Fund

The Session is pleased to announce that Pastor Jamie Lambert has been accepted into the Doctor of Ministry program at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary. The Doctor of Ministry program at Puritan Reformed focuses on biblical, reformed, experiential, and practical preaching.

Covenant has created a scholarship fund to assist Pastor Lambert with tuition and fees. If you wish to contribute to this fund, please designate gifts to the "Jamie Lambert Scholarship Fund". Be in prayer for Pastor Lambert as he begins his studies.

Faith Circle

Faith Circle will meet on the 3rd Tuesday in April, instead of our usual 2nd Tuesday. Hope you can join us on April 16th at 10 a.m. We will be studying Philippians.

Baby Shower

Join us for a baby shower for Nance Dorsey! The happy occasion will be Saturday, April 20, at 10:00 am at the church. Nance is registered at <https://www.babylist.com/list/nance-dorsey>. FYI Nance is registered at Target and Amazon through Babylist.

Foundation Class – Date Changed to April 21st

All members and visitors are welcome to take this class. This will be an opportunity for us to talk about God's Word, our foundation as a church, and the foundation of the Reformed faith. We will explore the basics of Christianity rooted in the scripture. This class is a requirement for those who desire to become a member of CPC but anyone is welcome to attend. We will meet following the morning worship service on April 21st. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to take this class, please email Liz at office@covenantpres.net or you can call her at the office. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Adam or Pastor Jamie.

Cross-Youth Fellowship

Cross-Youth Fellowship with Christ Presbyterian Church (PCA) will be on Saturday, Apr. 27th from 2:00-4:00 pm at Christ Presbyterian Church in Newnan! There will be snacks, fun games, and a devotional. For more information, contact Marcus Dorsey: marcus@covenantpres.net

Women's Wellness Ministry

Women's Wellness Ministry! Every second and fourth Tuesday of the month, from 6:45-7:45 p.m. We meet in the Stillman Center. Be sure to bring an exercise mat for stretching and calisthenics. This ministry will take a break starting in May. For more information, contact Sara Johnson: at johnson30saraa@gmail.com.

Wednesday Night Family Ministry

All families with children are invited to our Wednesday Night Family Ministry from 4:30-6:00 p.m. A meal will be served, a lesson will be taught, and fun activities will happen! For more information, contact Marcus Dorsey: marcus@covenantpres.net.

Bible Studies and Prayer Groups

Faith Circle Women's Bible Study meets at the church on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. All ladies are welcome to join us. Contact Pat Brannon with questions: peb1126@gmail.com

Ladies Prayer Group 24 meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at the church from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. All ladies are welcome. Contact Carolyn Trousdale at (770) 486-1933 or Peggy Hutcheson at (404) 630-7713 or Peggyghutcheson@gmail.com

Wed. 9:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Studying Acts. Contact Jamie Lambert: jamie@covenantpres.net

Sunday School Classes and Teachers

Adults -Adam Peeler

Youth - Marcus Dorsey & Kevin Johnson

Older Elementary - Stan James

Younger Elementary - Betsy van der Hoek

Pre-K - Nance Dorsey

You Are Invited!

We are a means-of-grace church. By that, we are saying that we believe God uses certain means to enable Christians to receive the benefits of redemption. Our confessions and catechisms state that there are three principal ordinary means of grace and they are the Word of God, the sacraments, and prayer, and these are elements of public worship. Everything that occurs between the Call To Worship and the Benediction is the most important activity the church does all week. In harmony with that proposition, we are committed to the singing of historic, traditional hymns and psalms and we typically preach through books of the Bible. We would love to have you join us each Sunday for morning and evening worship.

For more information, check us out online at

www.covenantpres.net

Please don't hesitate to email us with any questions at

office@covenantpres.net

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready, from now on, to live for him.

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