



COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

The Lord's Day
April 21, 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

Trusting Jesus
Arr. by Mary McDonald

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 301

Join All the Glorious Names

Responsive Reading Westminster Larger Catechism 36 & 37

36. Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, in the fulness of time became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever.

37. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

Christ the Son of God became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary, of her substance, and born of her, yet without sin.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Adam Peeler

Offertory Anthem

Fairest Lord Jesus
Words in Hymnal – Hymn 170

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 535

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:18-23

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

Sermon

Parables of the Kingdom Part 2

Rev. Jamie Lambert

Hymn 689

Be Still, My Soul

Benediction

Postlude

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Arr. by John Innes

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM

(Minister | Congregation)

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-9

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

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 1

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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 103:8-14

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn 198

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:16-28

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

Sermon

True Mercy
Rev. Adam Peeler

Responsive Reading

Westminster Larger Catechism 170

How do they that worthily communicate in the Lord's supper feed upon the body and blood of Christ therein?

As the body and blood of Christ are not corporally or carnally present in, with, or under the bread and wine in the Lord's supper, and yet are spiritually present to the faith of the receiver, no less truly and really than the elements themselves are to their outward senses; so they that worthily communicate in the sacrament of the Lord's supper, do therein feed upon the body and blood of Christ, not after a corporal and carnal, but in a spiritual manner; yet truly and really, while by faith they receive and apply unto themselves Christ crucified, and all the benefits of his death.

The Lord's Supper

Hymn 44

How Great Thou Art

Benediction

Prayer for the Persecuted Church from Voice of the Martyrs

Pray for Malaysia: Pray for the wisdom of Christians who take risks illegally sharing the gospel with the Malay people.

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.

Foundation Class

Foundation class is today, Sunday April 21st following the morning worship service.

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

Men's Fellowship

Join us for our first Men's Fellowship on Thursday, May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. This will be an opportunity for all men to gather, eat dinner, and fellowship. Todd DeBert, the Men's Fellowship Coordinator, will host this group every quarter. If you have any questions, please contact Todd DeBert or Adam Peeler.

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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