



COVENANT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

The Lord's Day  
September 15, 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**

Come, Thou Fount (NETTLETON)  
Arr. by Gordon Young

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Introit**

Rise Up, O Church of God  
Men's Chorus

**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 115** All Creatures of Our God and King

**Responsive Reading** Westminster Larger Catechism 64–66

64. What is the invisible church?

*The invisible church is the whole number of the elect, that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one under Christ the head.*

65. What special benefits do the members of the invisible church enjoy by Christ?

*The members of the invisible church by Christ enjoy union and communion with him in grace and glory.*

66. What is that union which the elect have with Christ?

*The union which the elect have with Christ is the work of God's grace, whereby they are spiritually and mystically, yet really and inseparably, joined to Christ as their head and husband; which is done in their effectual calling.*

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Adam Peeler

**Offertory** Soon I Will Be Done  
Traditional Spiritual

Soon I will be done a with the troubles of the world.

I'm going to live with God.

I want to see my mother.

No more weeping and a wailing.

I want to see my Jesus.

## **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**

Rev. Adam Peeler

## **Hymn 699**

Like a River Glorious

## **Scripture Reading**

Matthew 18:15-20

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

## **Sermon**

The Matthew 18 Principle  
Rev. Jamie Lambert

## **Hymn**

Before the Throne of God Above  
See handout

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

Trumpet Tune in C Major  
Michael McCabe

# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM

(Minister | Congregation)

## Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-5

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

*Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!*

Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

*Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!*

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

## 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 100

Holy, Holy, Holy!

## 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**

1 John 2:1, 2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **Hymn 294**

The Golden Gates Are Lifted Up

#### **Scripture Reading**

Colossians 3:1-4

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

#### **Sermon**

Living in Christ  
Rev. Adam Peeler

#### **Responsive Reading**

Heidelberg Catechism 81

Who are to come to the table of the Lord?

*Those who are truly displeased  
with themselves because of their sins  
and yet trust that these are forgiven them  
and that their remaining weakness is covered  
by the suffering and death of Christ,  
and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith  
and amend their life. But hypocrites and those who do not repent  
eat and drink judgment upon themselves.*

The Lord's Supper

Hymn 642

Benediction

Be Thou My Vision

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## **Why We Do What We Do In Worship**

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The prelude helps to create an atmosphere of worship and reverence. It allows us to transition from the distractions of daily life to focus on God and His presence. The music sets the tone that encourages reflection, meditation, and prayer before the service begins. Reading the Psalms can help prepare you for worship during this time.

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

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Pray for Brunei: Of the 9% who are Christians in Brunei, nearly all are ethnically Chinese. Pray that they will work to reach Muslims.

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## **The Apostles' Creed**

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\*“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

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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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## **Pastor Lambert Scholarship Fund**

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Covenant has created a scholarship fund to assist Pastor Lambert with tuition and fees for his Doctor of Ministry program at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary. 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.



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## **Cross-Youth Fellowship**

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Cross-Youth Fellowship will be on Saturday, Sept. 21st from 2:00-4:00 pm at Covenant! There will be snacks, fun games, and a devotional. For more information, contact Marcus Dorsey: [marcus@covenantpres.net](mailto:marcus@covenantpres.net).

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## **Wednesday Night Family Ministry**

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All families are invited to our Wednesday Night Family Ministry, from 4:30-6:00 pm. Every first and third Wednesday of each month we will meet for a meal, a lesson, and fun activities! For more information, contact Marcus Dorsey at [marcus@covenantpres.net](mailto:marcus@covenantpres.net)

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## **Men's Wednesday Bible Group**

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Wed. 9:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Studying Ephesians. Contact Jamie Lambert: [jamie@covenantpres.net](mailto:jamie@covenantpres.net)

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## **Sunday School Classes and Teachers**

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Adults - Jamie Lambert  
Youth - Marcus Dorsey & Kevin Johnson  
Older Elementary - Stan James  
Younger Elementary - Betsy van der Hoek  
Pre-K - Nance Dorsey

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# Notes

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## **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](http://www.covenantpres.net)

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

[office@covenantpres.net](mailto: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.

## **COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Church office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM