



COVENANT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

**The Lord's Day**  
**September 17, 2023**

**Verse of the Year**

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**Matthew 28:18-20**

# MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE | 11:00 AM

(Minister | Congregation)

## 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.*

**Trinity Hymnal 100**

Holy, Holy, Holy!

**Responsive Reading**

Shorter Catechism 82-83

Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

*No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word and deed.*

Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

*Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.*

**Prayer of Intercession**

Kevin Nichols

**Offertory**

Daniel van der Hoek

**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. Jamie Lambert

**Hymn**

Before the Throne of God Above  
See insert

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 9:9-17

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

**Sermon**

Jesus Came for Sinners  
Rev. Jamie Lambert

**Trinity Hymnal 87**

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

Daniel van der Hoek

# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM

(Minister | Congregation)

## Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

*Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

*For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

## 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.*

## Trinity Hymnal 94

How Firm a Foundation

## 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

Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

### Pastoral Prayer

#### Trinity Hymnal 111

This Is My Father's World

#### Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:18b-26

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

#### Sermon

Future Progress of the Gospel  
Rev. Jamie Lambert

#### Responsive Reading

Westminster Shorter Catechism 97

What is required for the worthy receiving of the Lord's Supper?

*It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.*

#### The Lord's Supper

#### Trinity Hymnal 662

As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams

#### Benediction

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

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Pray for Nepal: Pray that Christians will be living testaments of God's grace to their neighbors.

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## **Missionary of the Month**

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Ashley Lanier - Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)

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## **Accompanist**

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Our organist and pianist of 27 years, Marty Alexander, is on a sabbatical. Our musician today is Daniel van der Hoek.

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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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## **Youth Fellowship**

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Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, following the evening worship service, all youth are invited to our Youth Fellowship. There will be food and fun games! For more information, contact Marcus Dorsey: [marcus@covenantpres.net](mailto:marcus@covenantpres.net)

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## **Wednesday Night Children's Ministry**

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All families with children are invited to our Wednesday Night Children's Ministry from 4:30-5:30 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](mailto:marcus@covenantpres.net)

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## **Save the Date: Book Event Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>**

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Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. 11 am-12:30 pm. Book Event: Top Christian Authors—Revealed! We will have a panel of four reviewing best-selling Christian books. Light lunch served. Interesting, informative, and entertaining!

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## **Save the Date: Reformation Festival Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>**

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Everyone is invited to our Reformation Festival on Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30-6:00 pm in the Stillman Center! There will be food, fun, and fellowship for all ages! Also, children are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes. For more information, contact Mary Clark: [mary@covenantpres.net](mailto:mary@covenantpres.net) or Marcus Dorsey: [marcus@covenantpres.net](mailto:marcus@covenantpres.net).

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## **Bible Studies and Prayer Groups**

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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](mailto:peb1126@gmail.com)

First and Third Wed. Women's Zoom Bible Study. 3:00 p.m. Studying Matthew 5:1-12. Laurel De Bert [laurelqb@gmail.com](mailto:laurelqb@gmail.com)

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

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## **Sunday School Classes and Teachers**

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Adults - Christianity & Liberalism - Kevin Nichols

Adults - Westminster Larger Catechism - Michel van der Hoek

Youth - Marcus Dorsey

Older Elementary - Stan James

Younger Elementary - Betsy van der Hoek

Pre-K - Nance Dorsey

## You Are Invited

We are a means of grace church: The primary means of discipleship is public worship on the Lord's Day. We believe that everything that occurs between the Call To Worship and the Benediction of the Sunday worship service is the most important activity the church does all week. We are committed to singing historic, traditional hymns and psalms. We typically preach through books of the Bible. We would love to have you join us 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@covenantres.net](mailto:office@covenantres.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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