

# The Lord's Day December 31, 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)

Prelude

Who is He in Yonder Stall?

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 198

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

Responsive Reading

Heidelberg Catechism 45

How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.

Prayer of Intercession

Marcus Dorsey

Offertory

We Three Kings of Orient Are

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

Marcus Dorsey

Hymn 164

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

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

Sermon

Make Disciples

Rev. Jamie Lambert

Hymn 75

O Father, You Are Sovereign

Benediction

Postlude

Marty Alexander

#### **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE | 5:30 PM**

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## Call to Worship

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

#### 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 203

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

## 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

Romans 5:1

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Pastoral Prayer

Hymn 214

Angels We Have Heard on High

Scripture Reading

Philippians 4:5-9

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Sermon

Spotlight Jesus

Rev. Jamie Lambert

**Responsive Reading** Westminster Si

Westminster Shorter Catechism 96

What is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

## The Lord's Supper

**Hymn 195** 

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Benediction

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

Pray for Iraq: Pray that God will provide for the many Christians forced to flee their homes.

#### Missionary of the Month

Alex & Maggie Halbert - Mission to the Word (MTW)

# No Sunday School December 24th & 31st

We will not have Sunday School on December 24th and 31st. Sunday School will resume on January 7th.

# Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper will be served during morning worship next Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

## 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.

#### Women's Wellness Ministry

Beginning in January all ladies of Covenant, are invited to join our Women's Wellness Ministry! Every second and fourth Tuesday, from 6:45 pm to 7:45 pm, the ladies will meet in the Stillman Center to stretch, dance, and fellowship.

#### 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

First and Third Wed. Women's Zoom Bible Study. 3:00 p.m. Studying Galatians 5:22-23, The Fruit of the Spirit. Laurel De Bert <a href="mailto:laurelgb@gmail.com">laurelgb@gmail.com</a>

Wed. 9:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Studying Acts. Contact Jamie Lambert: <a href="mailto:jamie@covenantpres.net">jamie@covenantpres.net</a>

### Sunday School Classes and Teachers

Adults -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. 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 <a href="https://www.covenantpres.net">www.covenantpres.net</a>

Please don't hesitate to email us with any questions at <a href="mailto:office@covenantpres.net">office@covenantpres.net</a>

#### 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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