

THE LORD'S DAY

November 3, 2024

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Grace Greater Than Our Sin Towner

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 117

Leader: Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples!

People: For great is his love toward us,

Leader: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

People: Praise the LORD!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 7 From All That Dwell below the Skies

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Our Father, we confess how often we seek to avoid the realities of death and suffering in this life. We embrace distractions and earthly comforts rather than engage in the thoughtful work of biblical lament. Forgive us, we pray. Enable us to celebrate good things in godly joy as well as to grieve tragic things in godly sorrow, all for your glory. For we pray in the Name of the Savior who bore our sin and sorrow on the cross so that we might live through faith in Him, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 4:25–5:2

Leader: He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.

*GLORIA PATRI 734

OLD TESTAMENT READING 1 Samuel 11:1–11 (p. 233)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY Beneath the Cross of Jesus Maker

*DOXOLOGY 731

**NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 (p. 987)

SERMON GODLY SORROW
2 Samuel 1:17–27 (p. 254)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 246 Man of Sorrows! What a Name

*CONFESSION OF FAITH Westminster Shorter Catechism
Questions 17–21 (hymnal p. 870)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*HYMN 713 Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE A Joyful Trumpet Harris

**Please stand if able*

***Children may proceed to Jr. Church (age 5–grade 1: Room 112; grades 2–3: Room 110)*

*Welcome to everyone worshiping with us today.
We trust the Lord will strengthen and encourage you
through our fellowship together.*

*If you are a visitor, please complete the attendance register in full.
Upon exiting the main lobby doors,
please accept a gift of welcome bread.*

Serving this morning:
Worship Leaders – Rob Barbadoro, Peter Wells
Musician – Helen Ro
Audio/Visual Technicians – Steve Bikle, Jeff Currier, Tyler Delk,
Greg Fisher, Jaron Riggall, Peter & Rebecca Wells

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*Kindly silence all electronic devices
Activity bags for young children are available in the narthex
Please see an usher if you would like to utilize an assisted listening device*

From All That Dwell below the Skies

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Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. Ps. 117:1

1. From all that dwell be - low the skies let the Cre -
 2. In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery
 3. E - ter - nal are your mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal

a - tor's praise a - rise; let the Re - deem - er's name be
 land the strains be - long. In cheer - ful sound all voic - es
 truth at - tends your word. Your praise shall sound from shore to

sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.
 raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.
 shore till suns shall rise and set no more.

Based on Psalm 117
 Isaac Watts, 1719; mod.

DUKE STREET L.M.
 John Hallon, 1793

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

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He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering.
 Is. 53:3

1. Man of Sor - rows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
 2. Bear - ing shame and scoff - ing rude, in my place con - demned he stood,
 3. Guilt - y, vile, and help - less, we; spot - less Lamb of God was he;
 4. Lift - ed up was he to die, "It is fin - ished!" was his cry;
 5. When he comes, our glo - rious King, all his ran - somed home to bring,

ru - ined sin - ners to re - claim: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!
 sealed my par - don with his blood: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!
 • full a - tone - ment! can it be? Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!
 now in heav'n ex - alt - ed high: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!
 then a - new this song we'll sing: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!

Philip P. Bliss, 1875

HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR! 7.7.7.8.
 Philip P. Bliss, 1875

17. Q. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

18. Q. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

19. Q. What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all the miseries of this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

20. Q. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

A. God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

21. Q. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is

the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

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Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer

His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. Luke 1:50

1. Great King of na-tions, hear our prayer, while at your feet we fall,
 2. The guilt is ours, but grace is yours, O turn us not a-way;
 3. Our fa-thers' sins were man-i-fold, and ours no less we own,
 4. When dan-gers, like a storm-y sea, be-set our coun-try round,

and hum-bly, with u-nit-ed cry, to you for mer-cy call.
 but hear us from your loft-y throne, and help us when we pray.
 yet won-drous-ly from age to age your good-ness has been shown,
 to you we looked, to you we cried, and help in you was found.

5. With one consent we meekly bow
 beneath your chast'ning hand,
 and, pouring forth confession meet,
 mourn with our mourning land.

6. With pitying eye behold our need,
 as thus we lift our prayer;
 correct us with your judgments, Lord,
 then let your mercy spare.

John H. Gurney, 1838
 Mod.

ST. ANNE C.M.
 Attr. to William Croft, 1678-1727
 Tate and Brady's Supplement to the New Version, 1738

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praise the Lord for another great Harvest Festival! Over 930 people attended and it was a perfect night to serve the community with the love of Christ. If you would kindly provide feedback on the church mailbox survey, the planning committee would greatly appreciate it. Sincere thanks are offered to Diane and Ken Dietterich, Bob and Sandy McIntyre, Julia and Whitney Smith, and the many volunteers who helped make this year's Harvest Festival a great success. Please continue to pray for the many neighbors and visitors who attended.

Everyone is invited to join a congregational packing party for Operation Christmas Child today from 2:00–4:30 p.m. We will pack boxes with the items donated by the congregation throughout the year. Light refreshments will be served.

Today is the last day to sign up for the Senior Fellowship turkey lunch at the church on Tuesday, November 12 at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be followed by a presentation from Dr. Nancy Hillman on Abraham Lincoln's Thanksgiving Proclamation. Please contact Joan Freed with questions.

New adult Sunday School classes begin next week. Please join Mike Roberts in the sanctuary to study Atonement or Bob Witmer in Room 107 to discuss Sharing the Gospel for Non-Evangelists. A description of each class may be found in *Covenant Update* or the narthex.

All women are invited to a time of fellowship at a Gratitude Gathering on Friday, November 15 from 7:00–9:00 p.m. Come share cookies, recipes, and stories of thankfulness! Please bring one to two dozen of your favorite cookies and the recipe to share if you would like. Sign-up is available in the narthex until November 10. Please contact Liana Potgieter with questions.

Please join us here at Covenant on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. for a special Thanksgiving service with our brothers and sisters from Indian Creek Church of the Brethren. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 11/3	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:00 p.m.	Youth Group OCC Set-up
	2:00 p.m.	OCC Packing Party
Monday 11/4	7:00 p.m.	Christian Ed. Committee Meeting
Tuesday 11/5	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday 11/6		
Thursday 11/7	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Ministry Meeting
Friday 11/8		
Saturday 11/9	7:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast at Henning's Market
Sunday 11/10	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study at Child's Home
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study

For a complete listing of events at Covenant, or for more information on ministries, please visit www.covpreschurch.org



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**CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS
FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE**

Health Related

Mark Childs
Jean Daniels
Rita Hageman
Joan Keyt
Barbara Kolbe
David Wynn

Expecting

Cheryl Burger (Due February)
Sarah Walsh (Due March 18)
Rebecca Childs (Due May 3)
Joy Malysz (Due June 3)

Grieving

Johnston Family

Missions

Richard Crane is the Mission to the World liason to Cuba, maintaining relationships with pastors and leaders in the church there.

The Cranes had much to be thankful for on their recent trip to Cuba. From September 16–18, Richard had the privilege of teaching about the character development of Christian leaders to an interdenominational group of church planters and ministry leaders in Havana. It was encouraging to see their response and hear their heartfelt appreciation.

On September 21, thirty-seven more students graduated from the counseling program. It was exciting for the Cranes to see previous graduates teaching the courses and know that the program continues in the hands of national leaders.

Richard also had the opportunity to preach in the new church plant in Havana. The church continues to grow through art activities with children from the neighborhood, the Francis Schaeffer videos and discussion, and helping those in need in the area.

The Cranes would appreciate prayer for the following:

- that the training of the counseling graduates would create Christ-centered, healthier relationships in their families and their churches - for Richard as he continues to mentor and train leaders in Havana and starts writing a series of articles for the counselors in training
- for the people of Cuba as their country has suffered massive electrical power outages

**SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

	November 3	November 10	November 17	November 24
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Nancy Hillman	E. Waltenbaugh	Ella Clement	Ashley Benoit
Heart Hiders	Ella Clement	Dan Hillman	Jane Reagan	Diane Dietterich
Worship Service Infants Room 120	E. Waltenbaugh	Pam Taylor	Cathy Nagy	Anna Finegan
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Caroline Smith Lydia Moyer	Becky Snyder Lily Snyder	Abigial English Jasmine Muhlfield	Diane Dietterich Ruth Clement
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Mary Riggall Abbie Riggall	Julia Smith D. Rutkowski	Barb Nelson Amy Muhlfield	Yvonne Marshall Makayla Marshall
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Laura Wambold	Sharon Muhlfield	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Katelyn Reist	Katelyn Reist	M. Medendorp	Jesse & Emily Waltenbaugh
Welcome Bread Bakers	Glenda Childs	Sarah Keating	Debbie Schultz	Debbie Schultz
Greeters	John & Melanie Medendorp	Henry & Debbie Schultz	Ken & Barb Markwalter	Thomas & Liana Potgieter
Ushers	Byron Childs Steve Rutkowski Charlie Burger Jim Lowery Bill Propsner D. Rutkowski	Andy Ford David Schmidt D. Dietterich Ed Gottschalk Dan Hillman Bob Kenderdine Drew Sparks	Mark Kleeman Ken Markwalter Charles Freed Brandon Jones Jeremy Riggall George Schmidt Henry Schultz	Dan Benoit Tom Buhay Jake Barbadoro Noah Keating Jack Kane John Kane Bob McClurken Shahil Patel

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*The mission of Covenant Presbyterian Church
is to help people know Christ,
grow together in the grace of Christ,
and advance the kingdom of Christ,
all to the glory and worship of God forever.*