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God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

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How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Ps. 104:24

1. God, all na-ture sings thy glo-ry, and thy works pro-claim thy might;
 2. Clear-er still we see thy hand in man whom thou hast made for thee;
 3. But our sins have spoiled thine im-age; na-ture, con-science on-ly serve
 4. God of glo-ry, pow-er, mer-cy, all cre-a-tion prais-es thee;

or-dered vast-ness in the heav-ens, or-dered course of day and night;
 rul-er of cre-a-tion's glo-ry, im-age of thy maj-es-ty.
 as un-ceas-ing, grim re-mind-ers of the wrath which we de-serve.
 we, thy crea-tures, would a-dore thee now and through e-ter-ni-ty.

beau-ty in the chang-ing sea-sons, beau-ty in the storm-ing sea;
 Mu-sic, art, the fruit-ful gar-den, all the la-bor of his days,
 Yet thy grace and sav-ing mer-cy in thy Word of truth re-vealed
 Saved to mag-ni-fy thy good-ness, grant us strength to do thy will;

all the chang-ing moods of na-ture praise the change-less Trin-i-ty.
 are the call-ing of his Mak-er to the har-vest feast of praise.
 claim the praise of all who know thee, in the blood of Je-sus sealed.
 with our acts as with our voic-es thy com-mand-ments to ful-fill.

David Clowney, 1960

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ODE TO JOY 6.7.8.7.D.
 Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; arr.

To You, O Lord, I Fly

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Keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge. Ps. 16:1

1. To you, O Lord, I fly and on your help de-pend;
 2. The lot to me that fell is beau-ti-ful and fair;
 3. I keep be-fore me still the Lord whom I have proved;

you are my Lord and King Most High; great God, my soul de-fend.
 the her-i-tage in which I dwell is good be-yond com-pare.
 at my right hand he guards from ill, and I shall not be moved.

A her-i-tage for me Je-ho-vah will re-main;
 I praise the Lord a-bove whose coun-sel guides a-right;
 Life's path-way you will show, to your right hand will guide,

my por-tion rich and full is he, my right he will main-tain.
 my heart in-structs me in his love in sea-sons of the night.
 where streams of plea-sure ev-er flow, and bound-less joys a-bide.

From Psalm 16:1, 2, 5-8, 11
 The Psalter, 1912
 Arr. 1990, mod.

LEOMINSTER S.M.D.
 George William Martin, 1862
 Arr. by Arthur S. Sullivan, 1874

Be Thou My Vision

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Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. Phil. 3:7

Unison

1. Be thou my vi-sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis-dom, and thou my true word; I ev-er
 3. Be thou my bat-tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich-es I heed not, nor man's emp-ty praise, thou mine in-
 5. High King of heav-en, my vic-to-ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa-ther,
 dig-ni-ty, thou my de-light, thou my soul's shel-ter,
 her-i-tance, now and al-ways: thou and thou on-ly,
 heav-en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what-

day or by night, wak-ing or sleep-ing, thy pres-ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell-ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav-en, my trea-sure thou art.
 ev-er be-fall, still be my vi-sion, O Rul-er of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.
 Tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905
 Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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SLANE 10.10.10.10.
 Traditional Irish melody
 Arr. by David Evans, 1927

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the last day for women to sign up for the hymn sing on Saturday, March 23 in the sanctuary from 10:00–11:00 a.m. Please contact Liana Potgieter with questions.

Please join us in celebrating Christ’s atoning death and resurrection. Covenant will host a joint Good Friday service with Lansdale Presbyterian Church on March 29 at 7:00 p.m. A congregational Easter breakfast will be held on Sunday, March 31 at 9:00 a.m. Please sign up in the narthex to contribute a dish. There will be no Sunday School that morning and the worship service will follow breakfast at 10:30 a.m.

The grass will soon be growing, and volunteers are needed to help keep our property in great shape. Whether you are a seasoned mower or a novice, we invite you to join a three-person team and help a few times a year. If interested, please complete the form found in your church mailbox and return it to Bob McClurken’s mailbox or the church office by March 31.

The senior fellowship will gather at the church for a brunch lunch on Tuesday, April 9 at 11:30 a.m. followed by a presentation by David Wynn on his experience serving in Vietnam. Sign up in the narthex to bring a main dish, fruit dish, or dessert to share by March 31. Beverages will be provided. Please contact Joan Freed with questions.

Please save the date for the annual spring workday, Saturday, April 13 from 8 a.m.–1:00 p.m. You may arrive at any time and stay as little or as long as your schedule allows. Men, women, and families are welcomed. Please bring a shovel, wheelbarrow, rake, and work gloves if you have them. You may contact Tom Buhay with questions.

Please exercise caution while navigating around the construction dumpster temporarily positioned in the front circle as part of the sanctuary loft renovation. Thanks for your prayers for safety and good progress in the weeks ahead.

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

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 3/17	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:00	a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Choir Practice
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Bell Choir Practice
	5:00	p.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Monday 3/18	5:30	p.m.	Chamber Choir Practice
	6:00	p.m.	Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys & Youth Group
Tuesday 3/19	7:00	p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	7:00	p.m.	Men’s Bible Study
Wednesday 3/20			
Thursday 3/21	7:00	p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
	7:00	p.m.	Women’s Committee Mtg.
Friday 3/22			
Saturday 3/23	10:00	a.m.	Women’s Hymn Sing
	4:00	p.m.	Youth Group Activity
Sunday 3/24	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	New Member Recognition in Far Narthex
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Choir Practice
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Bell Choir Practice
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Meeting



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CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS
FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Health Related

<i>Gary Bentley</i>	<i>Barbara Kolbe</i>
<i>Rita Hageman</i>	<i>Alexa Sparks</i>
<i>Matt Johnston</i>	<i>Mary Lisa Vidunas</i>
<i>Joan Keyt</i>	

Missions

Flavien and Inyange are missionaries stationed in the US serving churches and church planters in sensitive countries. Flavien is currently in Senegal, where he is teaching a course on the book of Revelation to pastors in-training. Students taking his previous courses had expressed a keen interest in learning more about this book as the teaching they had been exposed to before left them confused and intimidated. Flavien’s scheduled trip to West Timor to serve a local denomination there is postponed due to his hosts encountering a problem with the dates they set. His summer plans to teach a zoom course on an Introduction to Biblical Theology to a Far East group of churches are still set to go. He also has been asked to be a regular instructor for a new seminary program delivering in-person instruction to students in that Far East area. Although he is quite sensitive to the plight of Christians in that part of the world, Flavien wants to be careful not to over-commit and over-extend himself. Flavien would appreciate prayer for the following:
-that his course on Revelation would be edifying and profitable, and for the people of Senegal who are experiencing a bout of political and social unrest
-for wisdom and humility in making his decision about being an instructor for the new seminary in the Far East
-for his presbytery’s committee on Credentials, Education and Examination as they have some important and sensitive matters to handle

SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	March 17	March 24	March 31	April 7
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Carolyn Ford	Becky Snyder	Easter Breakfast	Abigial English
Heart Hiders	Ashley O'Hara	Denise Brill	Easter Breakfast	D. Dietterich
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Mary Riggall	Anna Finegan	Caroline Smith	Betty Shaw
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Julia Smith Sarah Rutkowski	Kristen Jones Amy Muhlfeld	Laura Wambold Maggie Wambold	Ashley Benoit Abbie Clement
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Barb Nelson Sam Kleeman	Yvonne Marshall Kylie Marshall	Laura Barbadoro H. Barbadoro	Nicole Yates Rosie Finegan
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Pam Taylor	A. McMillan	A. McMillan	Joy Malysz
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Sean Finegan	Steve Rutkowski	Jason Clement	Mike & Pam Elwell
Welcome Bread Bakers	Denise Brill	Debbie Schultz	Debbie Schultz	Diane Dietterich
Greeters	Larry & Pat Stoner	Jason & Ella Clement	Andy & Carolyn Ford	Bob & Linda Witmer
Ushers	Mark Kleeman Ken Markwalter Charles Freed Brandon Jones Jeremy Riggall George Schmidt Henry Schultz	Dan Benoit Tom Buhay Jake Barbadoro Caleb Keating Jack Kane John Kane Bob McClurken Shahil Patel	Rick Castor Bob Lagonegro Frank Evans M. McMillan J. Medendorp Paul Wichert	Steve Rutkowski Byron Childs Charlie Burger Jim Lowery Ben Muench Bill Propsner D. Rutkowski

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grow together in the grace of Christ,
and advance the kingdom of Christ,
all to the glory and worship of God forever.*