THE LORD'S DAY

March 17, 2024

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE A Solemn Meditation Brahms

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 19

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God;

People: the skies proclaim the work of his hands!

Leader: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after

night they display knowledge.

People: There is no speech or language where their voice

is not heard.

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul.

The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making

wise the simple.

People: May the words of our mouths and the

meditations of our hearts be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, our Rock and our Redeemer!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 122 God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON: Eternal Father, we humble ourselves before your great Majesty against whom we have frequently and grievously sinned. We have transgressed your commands. We have failed to do what you have instructed, instead doing what you have forbidden. We are not worthy to be called your children, nor to lift our eyes heavenward to you in prayer. Nevertheless, we know that you do not desire the death of the sinner but rather that he or she should turn to you and live. We therefore take courage to call upon you from the depth of our sin, trusting in our great Mediator, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Forgive us in His Name, we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 43:25

Leader: I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jonah 2 (p. 774)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Not My Will, But Yours, Be Done Metzger

*Doxology 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 18:35–43 (p. 878)

**HYMN 692 To You, O Lord, I Fly

SERMON OUT OF THE DEPTHS
Psalm 130 (p. 518)

Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 642 Be Thou My Vision

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Neumark/Behnke

*Please stand if able

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

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

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.

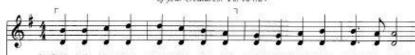
Upon exiting the main lobby doors,

please accept a gift of welcome bread.

Serving this morning:
Worship Leaders — Bob McIntyre, John Rohrman
Musicians — Adult Choir, Helen Ro
Audio/Visual Technicians — Steve Bikle, Jeff Currier, Tyler Delk,
Greg Fisher, Jaron Riggall, Peter & Rebecca Wells

Covenant Church Office: (215) 256-1007

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 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.





the chang - ing sea - sons, beau - ty 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:



the changeing moods of na - ture praise the changeless Trin - i - ty. 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

Text C InterVansity Christian Fallowship, Used by permission.

ODE TO JOY 8.7.8.7.0.

To You, O Lord, I Fly

692

HOPE

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



From Psalm 16:1, 2, 6–8, 11 The Psalter, 1912 Alt. 1990, mod.

LEOMINSTER S.M.D. George William Martin, 1862 Arr. by Arthur S. Sullivan, 1874 Be Thou My Vision

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



Hymns from Trinity Hymnal used by permission of Great Commission Publications

Tune art. © 1927 from the Revised Church Hymney by permission of Oxford University Press.

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

THIS WEEK AT COVEN	ANI		
Sunday 3/17	9:15 10:00 10:00 10:30 11:45 11:45 5:00	a.m. a.m. a.m. a.m. p.m.	
	5:30 6:00	p.m.	Chamber Choir Practice Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys & Youth Group
Monday 3/18			boys & Touth Group
Tuesday 3/19	7:00 7:00	p.m.	Women's Bible Study Men's Bible Study
Wednesday 3/20			
Thursday 3/21	7:00 7:00	p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting Women's Committee Mtg.
Friday 3/22			
Saturday 3/23	10:00 4:00	a.m. p.m.	Women's Hymn Sing Youth Group Activity
Sunday 3/24	9:15 10:00 10:30 11:45 11:45 11:45 6:00	a.m. a.m. a.m. a.m. a.m. p.m.	1115 1101 1 5



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

310 Covenant Lane, Harleysville, PA 19438 information@covpreschurch.org www.covpreschurch.org (215) 256-1007

CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Health Related

Gary Bentley	Barbara Kolbe
Rita Hageman	Alexa Sparks
Matt Johnston	Mary Lisa Vidunas
Joan Keyt	

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.

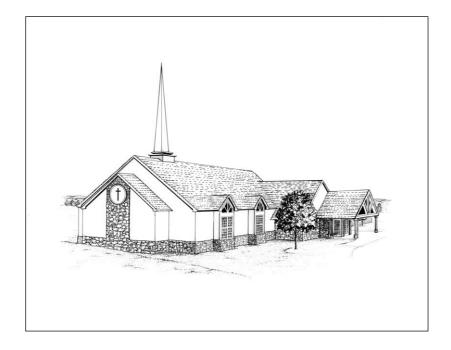
Flavien would appreciate prayer for the following:

- -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 B ri ll	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

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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.