

THE LORD'S DAY

April 21, 2024

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE All the Way My Savior Leads Me Lowry/Southbridge

CALL TO WORSHIP Revelation 15:3–4

Leader: And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

People: “Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

Leader: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?

People: For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

INVOCATION

*HYMN A Covenanted People

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON: Almighty Father, we confess that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to do evil, and unable of ourselves to do good. Our transgressions have drawn upon us your just sentence of condemnation and death. O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we deplore and repent of our offenses. Have mercy on us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Remove the guilt of our sin. Remove the stain of our pollution. Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that in acknowledging our unrighteousness we may be filled with the righteousness of Christ alone. For we pray in His Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ezekiel 36:25–26

Leader: “I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.”

*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 2:1–13 (p. 627)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee Smith/Collinsworth

*DOXOLOGY 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 7:1–13, 37–39 (p. 892)

**HYMN 304 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

SERMON

COME TO THE WATERS

Isaiah 55 (p. 615)

Dr. Bruce McDowell

*HYMN 345 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Glaser/Wagner

**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 Muhlfeld

Musician – Helen Ro

Audio/Visual Technicians – Steve Bikle, Jeff Currier, Tyler Delk,

Greg Fisher, Jaron Riggall, Peter & Rebecca Wells

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A Covenanted People

Text: Bruce A. McDowell
Tune: Eric P. Jones

1. By faith our right- eous- ness was sealed,
 2. CFe a nit- ed new in His death, Christ, rise, seal,
 3. U der not who called: I - den - ti - ty,
 4. Hin
 5. In

Ab - ram the cov - 'nant sign re - ceived; Re -
 Our sin was washed, by blood out - poured; From
 We live with Christ, to sin have - died; The
 To such be - longs God's Ki - ng - dom; New
 In His one Name we are ng - bap - tized; Di -

deemed by Christ the cru - ci - fied,
 guilt, shame, death we are re - deemed,
 sign of life, by faith re - ceived,
 birth, new and joined, as giv'n a name,
 verse, and

Re - gen - e - ra - ted by His grace, so that
 No long - er slaves, but free in Christ, so that
 By wa - ter, cleansed and to Spi - rit sealed, so that
 A - dop - ted our Head, are God's house - hold, so that
 In Christ

we are God's peo - ple and He o - ur God!

I am God's chi - ld, and He m - y God!

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I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matt. 11:28

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's Light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast,"
 the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and live."
 look un - to me, your mom shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, wea - ry and worn and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus and I found in him my Star, my Sun;

I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I'll walk, till trav' - ling days are done.

Horatius Bonar, 1846
All. 1990, mod.

VOX DILECTI C.M.D.
John B. Dykes, 1868

THE CHURCH:

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Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things are said of you, O city of God. Ps. 87:3

1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4. Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y I, through grace, a mem - ber am,

he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move:
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near:
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name:

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage?—
 thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure, all his boast - ed pomp and show;

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

John Newton, 1779

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7.D
Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Opening God's word this morning is Dr. Bruce McDowell, co-founder and president of the Santiago Theological Seminary (STS) in Santiago, Dominican Republic. He and his wife Anne and daughter Kaleah plan to move to Santiago this July. They are mission partners of Covenant.

Honor mom and help support the Youth Mission Trip to Jamaica at the same time! Order forms for Mother's Day flower bouquets may be found in the narthex and should be returned to John Rohrman by Sunday, May 5. Bouquets may be picked up in the far narthex after the service on Sunday, May 12. Thank you for praying for ongoing trip preparations!

The Senior Fellowship will gather at the church for a covered bridge road rally on May 14 followed by lunch at Lumberville General Store at 1:00 p.m. Cars will depart Covenant at 10:00 a.m. for a driving tour of five bridges, primarily in Pipersville and Erwinna. Please complete the form found in your church mailbox, or in the narthex, by April 28. Contact Joan Freed with questions.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 4/21	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Hearth Hiders
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45 a.m.	Senior Choir Practice
	5:00 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice
	5:30 p.m.	Chamber Choir Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys, & Youth Group
Monday 4/22		
Tuesday 4/23	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday 4/24		
Thursday 4/25	7:00 p.m.	Women's Ministry Meeting
Friday 4/26		
Saturday 4/27		
Sunday 4/28	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:00 a.m.	Chamber Choir Practice
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45 a.m.	Senior Choir Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Studies

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

Rita Hageman

Joan Keyt

Barbara Kolbe

Diana Lowery

Mary Lisa Vidunas

Expecting

Emily Waltenbaugh (Sept. 20)

Missions

Bruce and Anne McDowell are PCA missionaries serving the Santiago Theological Seminary (STS) in Santiago, Dominican Republic, where Bruce is co-founder and president.

Bruce is thankful that the seminary's Certificate in Christian Counseling program has really taken off, with the addition of a second site in Santo Domingo. Plans are also progressing for the start of their GAP Year of discipleship for high school graduates, which is scheduled to begin at the end of August.

STS's third annual theology/apologetics conference, done jointly with Westminster Theological Seminary, is also set for the end of August.

In family news, the McDowells have been making preparations for their move to Santiago in the middle of July. Much needs to be done, including paperwork for a residency visa, arrangements to rent their house and sell their car, packing and shipping some things, and finding a place to live. They are praising God for opening doors, as their daughter Kaleah has been accepted to Santiago Christian School and Anne has accepted a job as ESL Coordinator at the school.

Please pray for the following:

-recruitment of students for the GAP Year program and provision of scholarship funds

-high attendance for their theology/apologetics conference and spiritual impact to the glory of God

-God's provision and leading for a program coordinator for STS in His timing

-for the McDowells as they make preparations for their move to Santiago

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	April 21	April 28	May 5	May 12
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	C. Rutkowski	Ashely Benoit	Sarah Keating	Nancy Hillman
Heart Hiders	Dan Hillman	Diane Dietterich	Nancy Hillman	Adrienne McMillan
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Barb Markwalter	Caroline Smith	Betty Shaw	C. Rutkowski
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Kristen Jones Sarah Rutkowski	Abigail English Ruth Clement	Diane Dietterich Lydia Moyer	Abigail English Addie Witmer
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	K. Hoogenhuis D. Rutkowski	Mary Riggall Abbie Riggall	R. Kleeman Sam Kleeman	Barb Nelson Ruth Clement
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Laura Wambold	Laura Wambold
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Katelyn Reist	Jason Clement	David & Joy Schmidt	David & Joy Schmidt
Welcome Bread Bakers	Martha Moody	Kerstin Trapp	C. Propsner	Debbie Schultz
Greeters	Bob & Betty Peterson	Bob & Kim Kenderdine	Bill Kramer	Ken & Diane Dietterich
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	Steve Rutkowski Byron Childs Charlie Burger Jim Lowery Ben Muench Bill Propsner D. Rutkowski	David Schmidt Andy Ford D. Dietterich Ed Gottschalk Dan Hillman Bob Kenderdine Drew Sparks

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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.*