

THE LORD’S DAY

April 28, 2024

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE ‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Keveren

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 47:1–6

Leader: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!

People: He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet. He chose our inheritance for us, whom he loved.

Leader: God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets. Sing praises to God, sing praises!

People: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 101 Come, Thou Almighty King

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON: Our Father, we confess that only you can ignite the flame of new life within us by your grace. Only you can bring us from darkness to light through the work of your Son. But having been saved, you call us to work out our salvation by developing and deploying the gifts you have given us. But how often we fail in this regard. How often we hide our talents or use them selfishly. How often we yield to a spirit of fear and disbelief. Forgive us our sins, we pray, and enable us to fan into flame your gifts, for your glory, through the grace of your Son, in whose Name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Jeremiah 31:34

Leader: No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, “Know the LORD,” because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.

*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 31:1–11 (p. 71)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name Berry

*DOXOLOGY 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 25:14–30 (p. 830)

**HYMN 370 Revive Thy Work, O Lord

SERMON FANNING TO FLAME THE GIFT OF GOD
2 Timothy 1:3–7 (p. 995)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 335 Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE O God, Our Help in Ages Past Becket

**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 worshipping 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 – Jeff Carrier, Juan Estevez

Musicians – Covenant Musicians, Helen Ro

Audio/Visual Technicians – Steve Bikle, Jeff Carrier, Tyler Delk,
Greg Fisher, Jaron Riggall, Peter & Rebecca Wells

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Come, Thou Almighty King

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May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Cor. 13:14

1. Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing,
 2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword,
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4. To the great One in Three e - ter - nal prais - es be,

help us to praise. Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour. Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in
 hence ev - er - more. His sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in

to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Word suc - cess; Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 ev - ery heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Anon., ca. 1757

TRINITY 5.6.4.6.6.6.4
 Felice de Giardini, 1759

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Revive Thy Work, O Lord

I stand in awe of your deeds, O LORD. Renew them in our day, in our time make them known. Hab. 3:2

1. Re - vive thy work, O Lord, thy might - y arm make bare;
 2. Re - vive thy work, O Lord, dis - turb this sleep of death;
 3. Re - vive thy work, O Lord, cre - ate soul - thirst for thee;
 4. Re - vive thy work, O Lord, ex - alt thy pre - cious name;
 5. Re - vive thy work, O Lord, give Pen - te - cos - tal show'rs;

• speak with the voice that wakes the dead, and make thy peo - ple hear.
 quick - en the smoul - d'ring em - bers now by thine al - might - y breath.
 and hun - g'ring for the Bread of Life O may our spir - its be.
 and, by the Ho - ly Ghost, our love for thee and thine in - flame.
 the glo - ry shall be all thine own, the bless - ing, Lord, be ours,

Albert Medane, 1858

FESTAL SONG S.M.
 William H. Walker, 1894

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Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. Ezek. 36:27

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, dwell with me: I my - self would gra - cious be;
 2. Truth - ful Spir - it, dwell with me: I my - self would truth - ful be;
 3. Might - y Spir - it, dwell with me: I my - self would might - y be;
 4. Ho - ly Spir - it, dwell with me: I my - self would ho - ly be;

and with words that help and heal would thy life in mine re - veal;
 and with wis - dom kind and clear let thy life in mine ap - pear;
 might - y so as to pre - vail where un - aid - ed man must fail;
 sep - a - rate from sin, I would choose and cher - ish all things good,

and with ac - tions bold and meek would for Christ my Sav - ior speak.
 and with ac - tions broth - er - ly speak my Lord's sin - cer - i - ty.
 ev - er by a might - y hope press - ing on and bear - ing up.
 and what - ev - er I can be, give to him who gave me thee!

Thomas T. Lynch, 1855

REDHEAD 76 7.7.7.7.7.
 Richard Redhead, 1853

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant softball games provide a wonderful opportunity for fellowship at a beautiful time of year. The schedule is in the latest *Covenant Update* and paper copies with field locations are also in the narthex. The first game will be held this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Upper Salford Park. Hope to see you there!

If you or a loved one from Covenant are celebrating a graduation this year from high school, college, graduate, trade, or professional school, please contact the church office to be recognized before the worship service on June 2.

Today is the last day to turn in the form for the Senior Fellowship 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. Forms may be found in the narthex. Contact Joan Freed with questions.

The men's ministry is hosting a one-day spring retreat at Covenant on Saturday, May 11 from 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. The day will consist of discussing what constitutes a "good life" in God's eyes, as well as completing projects around the church and enjoying fellowship with one another. Please RSVP in the narthex by May 5 and contact Jeff Currier with questions.

All women are invited to a pot your own plant event on Saturday, May 18 at 10:00 a.m. in Covenant's pavilion. Invite your mother, daughter, grandmother, friend, or neighbor for a relaxed time of fellowship. Sign up in the narthex by May 12.

If you have a vehicle you could loan a visiting Covenant missionary for any period between August 8 and October 8, please contact the church office. In addition, if you have or know of affordable rental space for the family from August 8 to September 8, please let us know.

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday, May 5.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

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.	Adult Choir Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Studies
Monday 4/29		
Tuesday 4/30	6:30 p.m.	Softball Game at Upper Salford Park
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday 5/1		
Thursday 5/2	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Friday 5/3		
Saturday 5/4	9:00 a.m.	Women in Prayer
Sunday 5/5	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45 a.m.	Adult Choir Practice
	11:45 a.m.	Chamber Choir Practice
	12:45 p.m.	New Member Lunch at Muhlfeld Home
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Meeting

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

Bob Thompson

Mary Lisa Vidunas

Expecting

Emily Waltenbaugh (Sept. 20)

Grieving

Ryan Family

Missions

The Mission to North America (MNA) Disaster Response Team exists to come to the aid of churches when disaster hits them and their communities.

Community PCA in Live Oak, Florida suffered extensive damage to their roof when Hurricane Idalia hit last August. MNA Disaster Response put out a request to churches in the PCA for prayer and funds to help cover the cost of a new roof. All the needed funds came in, and the roof was replaced a few days before Christmas.

The Disaster Team is giving thanks as the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley has approved a partnership with Raymond Presbyterian Church to establish a Sheds of Hope depot on the grounds of the church.

Once up and operating, the depot will provide a secure location in central Mississippi to store relief supplies, provide disaster preparedness training, and build Sheds of Hope kits.

Another new development is the implementation of a cloud-based inventory system at the Disaster Response Warehouse in Georgia. This was made possible by the designated gifts of two families and will help the team to be more efficient and effective in the management of all the resources stored at the facility.

Other Disaster Response staff activities include the coordination of training events and short term mission trips. They also are looking for a MNA Second Career leader who will match retired volunteers with opportunities to serve within the ministry.

Please continue to pray for Disaster Response staff, volunteers, and storm affected church families.

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	April 28	May 5	May 12	May 19
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Ashely Benoit	Sarah Keating	Nancy Hillman	Carolyn Ford
Heart Hiders	Diane Dietterich	Nancy Hillman	A. McMillan	Jane Reagan
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Caroline Smith	Betty Shaw	C. Rutkowski	Cathy Nagy
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Abigail English Ruth Clement	Diane Dietterich Lydia Moyer	Abigail English Addie Witmer	Becky Snyder Lily Snyder
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Mary Riggall Abbie Riggall	R. Kleeman Sam Kleeman	Barb Nelson Ruth Clement	Julia Smith Jasmine Muhlfeld
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Laura Wambold	Laura Wambold	Sharon Muhlfeld
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Jason Clement	David & Joy Schmidt	David & Joy Schmidt	Steve Rutkowski
Welcome Bread Bakers	Kerstin Trapp	C. Propsner	Debbie Schultz	Kathe Vannoy
Greeters	Bob & Kim Kenderdine	Bill Kramer	Ken & Diane Dietterich	Rick & Martha Moody
Ushers	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	Mark Kleeman Ken Markwalter Charles Freed Brandon Jones Jeremy Riggall George Schmidt Henry Schultz

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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.*