

May 18, 2025

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Let Us Plead for Faith Alone Giamanco

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 117

People: For great is his love toward us,

Leader: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

People: Praise the LORD!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 4 All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Our Father, though you have saved us by your grace, we continue to succumb to the attraction of sin. Our fallen nature in Adam wars against our redeemed nature in Christ and we sin in many ways. Forgive us for breaking your laws and failing to fulfill your commands. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and enable us to look to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Win the daily war for our hearts so that we might joyfully live for your glory. For we pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 1:8-9

Leader: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

*GLORIA PATRI 734

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! Holden

*DOXOLOGY 731

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 4:1–10 (p. 888)

**HYMN 370 Revive Thy Work, O Lord

SERMON

THE WAR WITHIN THE WAR
2 Samuel 10 (p. 261)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 644 May the Mind of Christ My Savior

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Page

**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 – Steve Bikle, 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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All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. Ps. 107:15

1. All praise to God, who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
 2. What God's al - might - y pow'r hath made his gra - cious mer - cy
 3. I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my
 4. The Lord for - sak - eth not his flock, his cho - sen gen - er -

a - tion, the God of won - ders, pow'r, and love, the God of our sal -
 keep - eth; by morn - ing dawn or eve - ning shade his watch - ful eye ne'er
 call - ing! For death he gave me life in - deed and kept my feet from
 a - tion; he is their ref - uge and their rock, their peace and their sal -

va - tion! With heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the God who
 sleep - eth; with - in the king - dom of his might, lo, all is
 fall - ing. For this my thanks shall end - less be; O thank him,
 va - tion. As with a moth - er's ten - der hand he leads his

ev - ery sor - row stills. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 just and all is right. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 thank our God with me. To God all praise and glo - ry!
 own, his cho - sen band. To God all praise and glo - ry!

HIS PERFECTIONS

5. Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
 Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
 All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
 To God all praise and glory!

6. Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;
 to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
 Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well.
 To God all praise and glory!

Johann J. Schütz, 1675
 Tr. by Frances E. Cox, 1864

MIT FREUDEN ZART 8.7.8.7.8.8.7.
 Bohemian Brethren's Gesangbuch, 1566

GOD:

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.

Alberti Mediane, 1858

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

THE CHURCH: THE KINGDOM OF GOD

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus. Phil. 2:5

1. May the mind of Christ my Sav - ior live in me from day to day,
 2. May the Word of God dwell rich - ly in my heart from hour to hour,
 3. May the peace of God my Fa - ther rule my life in ev - ery - thing,
 4. May the love of Je - sus fill me as the wa - ters fill the sea;
 5. May his beau - ty rest up - on me as I seek the lost to win,

by his love and pow'r con - trol - ling all I do and say,
 so that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through his pow'r.
 • that I may be calm to com - fort sick and sor - row - ing.
 him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing, this is vic - to - ry.
 and may they for - get the chan - nel, sec - ing on - ly him.

Kate B. Wilkinson, 1925

ST. LEONARDS 8.7.8.5.
 A. Cyril Berham-Gould, 1925; alt. 1990

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

All women of Covenant are invited to Breakfast and Psalms on Saturday, May 31. Come enjoy a time of fellowship under the pavilion from 9:00–10:30 a.m. A light breakfast will be served followed by reading and reflecting on the Psalms. Come with your Bible, ready to read aloud your favorite Psalm(s). Sign up in the narthex by May 25 and contact Liana Potgieter with questions.

The Senior Fellowship will meet on Tuesday, June 10 at 11:30 a.m. at Covenant under the pavilion (weather permitting) for their annual picnic followed by a presentation by Arch Hunter on Anthony Wayne. People of all ages are welcome to participate. Meat and beverages will be provided. Please sign up in the narthex by June 1 and indicate the dish you would like to contribute. Contact Don & Lynn Kluizennar with questions.

The Baby Bottle Boomerang is back! This annual fundraiser supports the North Care Women’s Clinic in its critical work. Simply pick up a bottle in the narthex; fill it with coins, cash, or a check; and return it to the church office by Father’s Day, Sunday, June 15. It is important that all bottles are returned (whether full or empty) since they are re-used each year. Thank you for helping to meet the needs of expectant mothers and families in our area.

Invitations and registration information for Vacation Bible School are now available in the narthex. Please take several postcard invitations to give to friends, neighbors, grandchildren, or anyone you would like to invite. May the Lord be glorified as we plan and pray for this vibrant ministry to our children and community!

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

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 5/18	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Youth Group Graduate Lunch
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Choir Practice
	11:45	a.m.	Share Your Faith Meeting
Monday 5/19	5:00	p.m.	Junior Choir Practice
	6:00	p.m.	Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys, & Youth Group
	6:30	p.m.	Softball Game at Branchwood Park
	6:30	p.m.	Women’s Bible Study BBQ at Reagan’s Home
	7:00	p.m.	Men’s Bible Study
Wednesday 5/21			
Thursday 5/22			
Friday 5/23	6:30	p.m.	Softball Game at Centennial Park
Saturday 5/24			
Sunday 5/25	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Heart Hiders
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Adult Bell Choir Practice
	11:45	a.m.	Heart Hiders End of Year Celebration
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group Activity



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CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS
FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

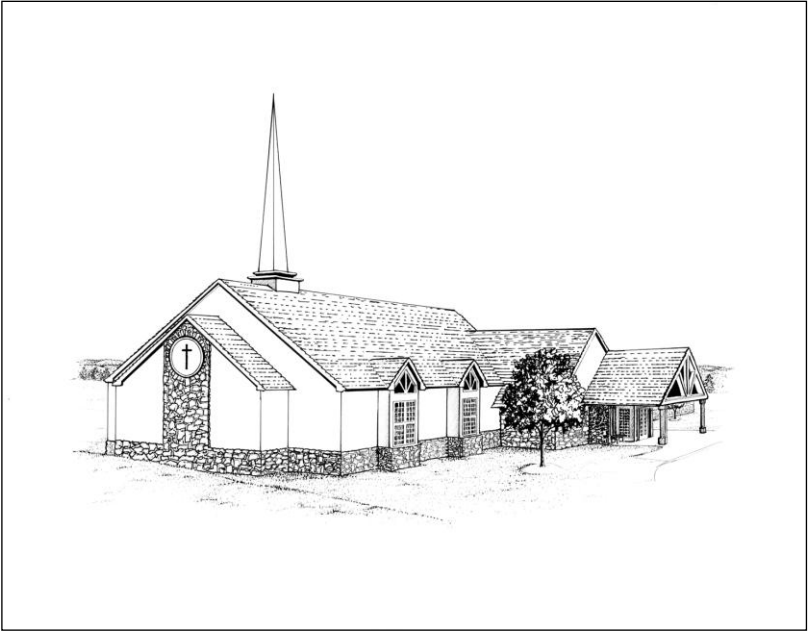
<i>Health Related</i>	<i>Expecting</i>
<i>Rita Hageman</i>	<i>Joy Malysz (Due Jun 3)</i>
<i>Barbara Kolbe</i>	<i>Sarah Heine (Due Jun 23)</i>
<i>Gay Opdyke</i>	<i>Rue Estevez (Due Aug 15)</i>
<i>Bob Thompson</i>	
<i>David Wynn</i>	<i>Grieving</i>
	<i>Freed Family</i>
	<i>Wambold Family</i>

Missions
Bruce and Anne McDowell are PCA missionaries serving the Reformed Theological Seminary (STS) in Santiago, Dominican Republic, where Bruce is cofounder and President. The McDowells share the following praises and prayer requests:
-praise God for answering prayer in bringing eighty students plus auditors this year to their Certificate in Christian Counseling program
-praise God that the STS board has decided to start two new programs in September—a two-year twelve course Diploma in Theology designed especially for church lay leaders and a one-year full-time Certificate in Theology and Ministry for those with a calling toward pastoral ministry or missions
-praise God that GAP Year students have been having a wonderful experience of Christian growth and social maturity—this will be replaced next year with the new one-year theology program
-praise God that Kaleah is making good progress in her reading and Spanish skills, and Anne is adjusting and doing well teaching at Santiago Christian School
-pray for attendance, coordination, and financial provision for STS’s symposium on theological education in August
-pray for coordination, funding, and recruitment of students for the two new programs
-pray that STS be used in training and mobilizing Dominicans to reach the unevangelized of the world
-pray for the McDowell’s visit to southern Florida and Philadelphia in June and July

SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	May 18	May 25	June 1	June 8
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Ella Clement	Ashley Benoit	Nancy Hillman	A. Rohrman
Heart Hiders	Jonathon Leiser	End of Year Celebration	Resuming in September	Resuming in September
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Cathy Nagy	Kelly Little	George & Cathy Schmidt	Sarah Walsh
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Carrie Rutkowski D. Rutkowski	Abigail English Addie Witmer	Nicole Yates Anna Moyer	Jill Buhay Amy Muhlfeld
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Barb Nelson Jessica Fox	Yvonne Marshall Makayla Marshall	Angela Tippet S. Rutkowski	Laura Wambold Maggie Wambold
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert	L. Barbadoro	L. Barbadoro
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	M. Medendorp	Jesse & Emily Waltenbaugh	Mark & Rebecca Kleeman	Mark & Rebecca Kleeman
Welcome Bread Bakers	Kathe Vannoy	Debbie Schultz	Joy Schmidt	Kathy McHale
Greeters	Ken & Diane Dietterich	Bob & Betty Peterson	Jason & Ella Clement	Paul & Marie Baldwin
Ushers	Dan Benoit Rick Castor Brandon Jones Kris Malysz Jeremy Riggall Henry Schultz Jim Taylor	Tom Buhay Mark Kleeman Jake Barbadoro Noah Keating Jack Kane John Kane Bob McClurken Shahil Patel	Steve Rutkowski George Schmidt Charlie Burger Sam Kleeman Jim Lowery Bill Propsner D. Rutkowski	Byron Childs Andy Ford D. Dietterich Ed Gottschalk Dan Hillman Bob Kenderdine Ed Wilson

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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.*