

THE LORD’S DAY

August 10, 2025

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Jesus, Lover of My Soul Parry/Marsh/Sorenson

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 29:1–2

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones,
People: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
People: worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 97 We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Unison: Gracious Father, we confess how easily idols capture our hearts. We so easily love, cherish, and honor the things of this world more than you. We seek to find our security and joy in them, apart from you. Worst of all, we rob you of the glory you alone deserve. Forgive us these and all our sins of misdirected worship. Expel the idols of our hearts and recapture our affections through your amazing grace. Having purchased us through the blood of Christ, enable us to increasingly live under his gracious rule. For we pray in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 8:1–2
Leader: Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

*GLORIA PATRI 734

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Samuel 15:1–23 (p. 266)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY Blessed Sorenson

*DOXOLOGY 731

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:4–13 (p. 982)

**HYMN 87 The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want

SERMON HOSTILE TAKEOVER
2 Samuel 15 (p. 266)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 108 Whate’re My God Ordains Is Right

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Jesus Saves! Kirkpatrick/Berry

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

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 – Jeff Currier, Juan Estevez
Musician – Anna Clement
Audio/Visual Technicians – Steve Bikle, Jeff Currier, Tyler Delk,
Greg Fisher, Jaron Riggall

Covenant Church Office: (215) 256-1007

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

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

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Our Redeemer—the Lord Almighty is his name—is the Holy One of Israel. Is. 47:4

1. We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2. We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers, we bless you;
 3. With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer,

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our tri - bute we bring.
 through life's storm and tem - pest our Guide you have been.
 to you, great Je - ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise.

We lay it be - fore you, we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, es - cape you will make us,
 Your strong arm will guide us, our God is be - side us;

we bless your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.
 to you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise.

Julia Cady Cory, 1902
Mod.KREMSER 12.11.12.11.
Adrianus Valerius's Nederlandtsch Gedenckclank, 1626
Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

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The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. Ps. 23:1

1. The Lord's my Shep - herd, I'll not want; he
 2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain; and
 3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet
 4. My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed in
 5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall

makes me down to lie in pas - tures green; he
 me to walk doth make with in the paths of
 • will I fear none ill, for thou art with me;
 pres - ence of my foes; for my head thou dost with
 sure - ly fol - low me; and in God's house for -

lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake,
 • and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
 oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 ev - er more my dwell - ing place shall be.

Psalm 23
Francis Rous, William Mure, and others
Scottish Psalter, 1650
Tune from the Scottish Psalter by permission of Oxford University Press.CRIMOND C.M.
Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871
Arr. by T. C. L. Frischild, 1928, alt.Hymns from Trinity Hymnal used by permission of
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Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

Will not the Judge of all the earth do right? Gen. 18:25

1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: his ho - ly will a -
 2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: he nev - er will de -
 3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: though now this cup, in
 4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: here shall my stand be

bid - eth; I will be still what - e'er he doth, and fol - low where he
 ceive me; he leads me by the prop - er path; I know he will not
 drink - ing, may bit - ter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all un -
 tak - en; though sor - row, need, or death be mine, yet am I not for -

guid - eth. He is my God; though dark my road, he holds me
 leave me. I take, con - tent, what he hath sent; his hand can
 shrink - ing. My God is true; each morn a - new sweet com - fort
 sak - en. My Fa - ther's care is round me there; he holds me

that I shall not fall: where - fore to him I leave it all.
 turn my griefs a - way, and pa - tient - ly I wait his day.
 yet shall fill my heart, and pain and sor - row shall de - part.
 that I shall not fall: and so to him I leave it all.

Samuel Rodgast, 1675
Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863
Alt. 1961WAS GOTT TUT 8.7.8.7.4.4.8.8.
Alt. to Severus Gastorius
Weimar Gesangbuch, 1681

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We rejoice with Juan and Rue Estevez on the birth of their son, Theodore Immanuel, born Thursday, August 7, weighing 8 lbs. 2 oz. and measuring 20 in. Theodore joins siblings Grayston, Alexandria, Hosanna, Tobias, Benjamin, Stella, and Abraham. A basket for gifts and cards may be found in the narthex.

The latest edition of Covenant’s directory has been placed in church mailboxes. Please use the directory to pray for and encourage others in our church family. Additional copies and the password for the online version may be obtained from the office.

Everyone is invited to Covenant’s congregational picnic on Sunday, September 7 immediately following the worship service. Pre-picnic grillers are especially needed! Meat will be provided the Sunday before the picnic, taken home to grill, then brought back the day of the picnic. Kindly sign up in the narthex by Sunday, August 24 to contribute a dish, help with grilling, or assist with set up or clean up. Please contact Debbie Mihoch or Cheryl Sharadin with questions.

Mark your calendar! The 2025 Harvest Festival is scheduled for Friday, October 24. It may seem like a long time away, but it will be here before we know it. There will be a planning meeting on August 17, immediately following the worship service in room 109. Anyone interested in participating in this wonderful event is encouraged to attend.

Our weekly church e-newsletter, *Covenant Update*, is an excellent way to stay informed of congregational news and events. Please contact the church office to subscribe. You may also read the latest edition on our church website

A sign-up sheet for the next adult membership class with Pastor Muhlfeld is available in the narthex. Attending the class does not obligate one to apply for membership but is a requirement before meeting with the Session for a membership interview. The class will be held during the Sunday School hour (9:15–10:00 a.m.) and will meet September 14 to November 2 (no class October 5) in the far narthex.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 8/10	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Sonflower Girls Committee Meeting
	12:00	p.m.	Youth Group Leader Meeting
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Presentation

Monday 8/11

Tuesday 8/12

Wednesday 8/13

Thursday 8/14

Friday 8/15

Saturday 8/16	5:00	p.m.	Young Adult Perkasio Car Show
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Sunday 8/17	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Harvest Festival Planning 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

Carol Cornish

Rita Hageman

Ethel Johnston

Barbara Kolbe

David Wynn

Grieving

Kane Family

Wynn/English Family

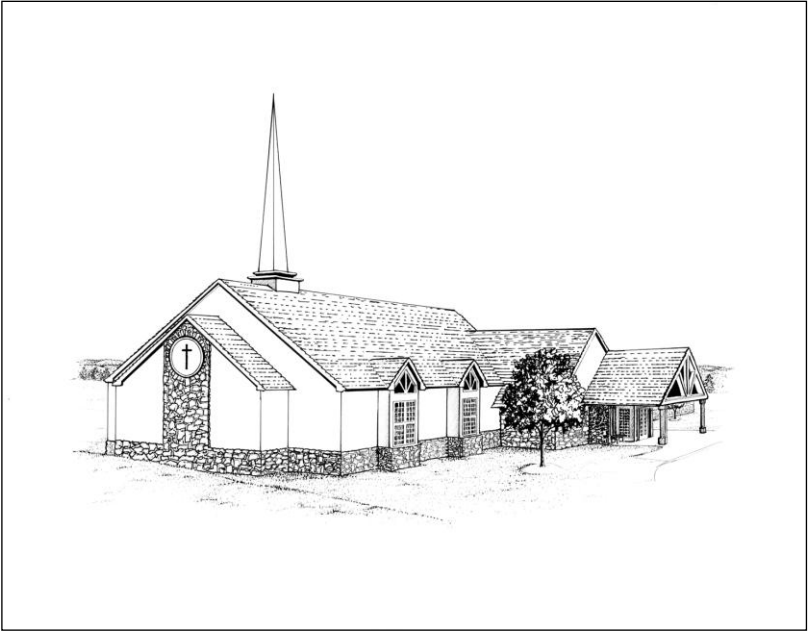
Missions

Mission to North America (MNA) serves PCA churches and presbyteries as they advance God’s kingdom in North America by planting, growing, and multiplying biblically healthy churches through the development of intentional evangelism and outreach ministries. MNA is pleased to announce the 2025 Korean American Leadership Initiative (KALI) National Gathering, an event created to encourage and equip Korean American leaders serving within the PCA. The Gathering is born from a recognition of the complexities and unique experiences faced by Korean Americans in the PCA, and provides vital support through theological training, mutual encouragement, and community formation. MNA is committed to cultivating kingdom advancement through church planting and church vitality. The KALI National Gathering represents an expression of that commitment by investing in the future of minority leadership within the PCA, and by sustaining leaders who are deeply rooted in Scripture, culturally aware, and relationally supported. Please pray that the Lord would grant MNA the unity, collaboration, love, sacrifice, and perseverance needed as they seek to advance God’s kingdom in North America.

SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Aug 10	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 31
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Nancy Hillman	Ella Clement	Ashley Benoit	Becky Snyder
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Cathy Nagy	Lydia Evans Emry Evans	Kelly Little	Kristen Jones
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Diane Dietterich Addie Witmer	Sarah Walsh Anna Moyer	Sarah Iannotti Abbie Riggall	C. Grosshanten Aubree Riggall
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Abigail English Sam Kleeman	Danielle Moyer Heidi Moyer	Yvonne Marshall Jayda Marshall	Nicole Yates Jessica Fox
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Laura Wambold	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert	TBD
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	M. Medendorp	Katelyn Reist	Phil & Kerri Hoogenhuis	Jesse & Emily Waltenbaugh
Welcome Bread Bakers	K. Kenderdine	Debbie Schultz	Sharon Muhlfeld	Megan Ford
Greeters	Ken & Barb Markwalter	Ryan Smith	TBD	Larry & Pat Stoner
Ushers	Byron Childs Andy Ford D. Dietterich Ed Gottschalk Dan Hillman Bob Kenderdine Ed Wilson	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	Ken Markwalter TBD Frank Evans Bob Lagonegro M. McMillan J. Medendorp Paul Wichert

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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.*