

THE LORD’S DAY
August 17, 2025

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE I Surrender All Weeden/Sorenson

CALL TO WORSHIP From Revelation 19
Leader: Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!
People: Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.
Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!
People: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!

INVOCATION

*HYMN 2 O Worship the King

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Unison: Our Father, we confess that when we encounter enemies who seek to deceive, mock, or humiliate us, we often respond sinfully to their attacks. Sometimes we attack them in return. Other times we coldly ignore them, failing even to pray for them. Sometimes we inwardly yield to anxiety, while other times we harbor unseen anger. Forgive us our sins and enable us to love and serve our enemies, just as Jesus first did for us on the cross. Even when surrounded by enemies, may we rest secure through the Savior who reconciled our enmity with you. For we pray in Jesus’s Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 86:5
Leader: You are forgiving and good, O LORD, abounding in love to all who call to you.

*GLORIA PATRI 734

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Samuel 16:1–14 (p. 267)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY The Old Rugged Cross Bennard

*DOXOLOGY 731

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Peter 2:13–25 (p. 1015)

**HYMN 447 Christ for the World We Sing

SERMON IN THE PRESENCE OF MY ENEMIES
2 Samuel 16 (p. 267)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 692 To You, O Lord, I Fly

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Revive Us Again Husband/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 – Tyler Delk, Jim Nagy
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

O Worship the King

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. Ps. 145:10

1. O wor-ship the King all-glo-rious a-bove, O grate-ful-ly
 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the
 3. The earth with its store of won-ders un-told, Al-might-y, your
 4. Your boun-ti-ful care what tongue can re-cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De-fend-er, the
 light, whose can-o-py space. His char-iots of wrath the deep
 pow'r has found-ed of old; has 'stab-lished it fast by a
 air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de-

An-cient of Days, pa-vil-ioned in splen-dor and gird-ed with praise.
 thun-der-clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
 change-less de-cree, and round it has cast, like a man-tle, the sea.
 scends to the plain; and sweet-ly dis-tils in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn you above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

Based on Psalm 104
 Robert Grant, 1833
 Mod.

LYONS 10.10.11.11.
 Johann Michael Haydn, 1737-1806
 Arr. in William Gardner's Sacred Melodies, 1815

GOD:

Christ for the World We Sing

Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations.
 Luke 24:47

1. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring
 2. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring
 3. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring
 4. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring

with lov-ing zeal; the poor and them that mourn, the faint and
 with fer-vent pray'r; the way-ward and the lost, by rest-less
 with one ac-cord; with us the work to share, with us re-
 with joy-ful song; the new-born souls whose days, re-claimed from

o-ver-borne, sin-sick and sor-row worn, whom Christ doth heal.
 pas-sions tossed, re-deemed at count-less cost from dark de-spair.
 proach to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
 er-ror's ways, in-spired with hope and praise, to Christ be-long.

Samuel Wolcott, 1869

ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4.
 Felice de Giardini, 1769

THE CHURCH:

ASSURANCE

To You, O Lord, I Fly

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

1. To you, O Lord, I fly and on your help de-pend;
 2. The lot to me that fell is beau-ti-ful and fair;
 3. I keep be-fore me still the Lord whom I have proved;

you are my Lord and King Most High; great God, my soul de-fend.
 the her-i-tage in which I dwell is good be-yond com-pare.
 at my right hand he guards from ill, and I shall not be moved.

A her-i-tage for me Je-ho-vah will re-main;
 I praise the Lord a-bove whose coun-sel guides a-right;
 Life's path-way you will show, to your right hand will guide,

my por-tion rich and full is he, my right he will main-tain.
 my heart in-structs me in his love in sea-sons of the night.
 where streams of plea-sure ev-er flow, and bound-less joys a-bide.

From Psalm 16:1, 2, 5-6, 11
 The Psalter, 1912
 Alt. 1990, mod.

LEOMINSTER S.M.D.
 George William Martin, 1862
 Arr. by Arthur S. Sullivan, 1874

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today there will be a Harvest Festival planning meeting immediately following the worship service in room 109. Anyone interested in participating in this wonderful outreach event is encouraged to attend.

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.

The Senior Fellowship will begin their fall activities with lunch at the Harleysville Hotel on Tuesday, September 9 at 11:30 a.m. followed by dessert at Whitney & Julia Smith’s home located behind the hotel. Come and enjoy lunch and fellowship around the table. Please sign up in the narthex by Sunday, August 31. Contact George & Cathy Schmidt with questions.

A new women’s Bible study utilizing the book *The Gospel-Centered Life* will begin on Tuesday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m. in room 110. Please sign up by September 7 in the narthex to receive a study guide. You may contact the church office with questions.

All men are invited to the Men’s Retreat at Spruce Lake in the Pocono Mountains on October 3–5. Registration packets and more information may be found in the narthex or in *Covenant Update*. Contact Jeff Currier with questions.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 8/17	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Harvest Festival Planning Meeting
Monday 8/18			
Tuesday 8/19			
	7:00	p.m.	Men’s Bible Study
Wednesday 8/20			
Thursday 8/21			
	7:00	p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
Friday 8/22			
	6:45	p.m.	Phillies Game
Saturday 8/23			
Sunday 8/24			
	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Share Your Faith 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

<i>Health Related</i>	<i>Grieving</i>
<i>Carol Cornish</i>	<i>Kane Family</i>
<i>Rita Hageman</i>	<i>Wynn/English Family</i>
<i>Ethel Johnston</i>	
<i>Barbara Kolbe</i>	
<i>David Wynn</i>	

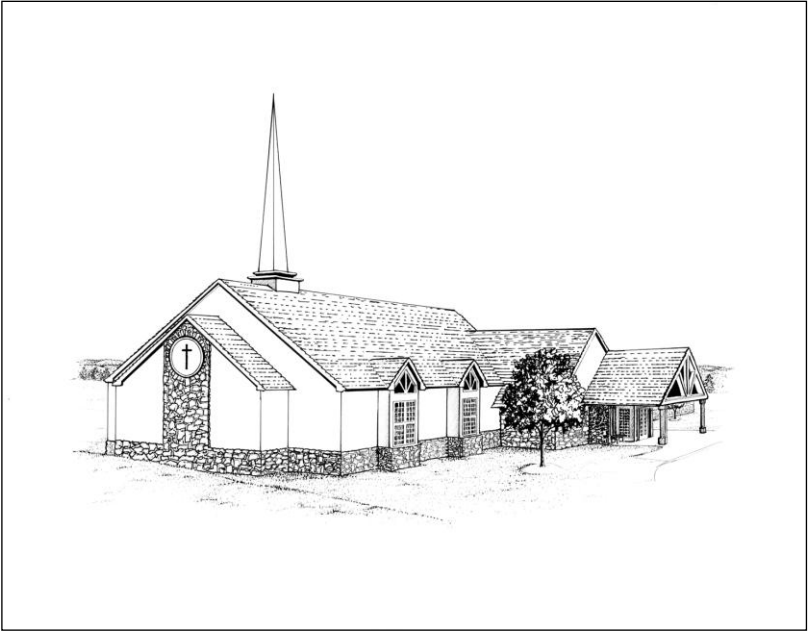
Missions

Liberty Ministries is based in Schwenksville and exists to serve offenders in prison and ex-offenders in the community by showing God’s love, providing practical assistance, and supporting biblical standards of justice. The ministry was established in 1980 with the goal of ending prison recidivism in PA and to serve populations of Montgomery County Correctional Facility and the Phoenix Correctional Facility at Graterford. Liberty has positively impacted thousands of inmates and ex-inmates with the teaching of God’s Word, with spiritual, physical, and emotional support, and with the life changing power of Jesus Christ. Today Liberty maintains three dormitory style residences for men and women recently released from prison who enroll in a twelve-month educational and discipleship program. Over 160 volunteers visit men and women in prison on a monthly basis, teaching, training, mentoring, and preparing them for life outside of prison. In addition to their thrift stores, some of their other ministries include: Lydia Project, which provides personal care kits to women in prison or in after-care discipleship programs; Summer Camp Program for children of incarcerated adults; Scholarship Program for Liberty residents to pursue GED, trade school, or higher education; Christmas Care Packages for inmates at Montgomery County Correctional Facility; and Baby Bag Ministry for women who give birth while incarcerated. Please pray for Liberty and for the men and women in their programs as they complete the hard work of personal transformation.

SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 31	Sept 7
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Ella Clement	Ashley Benoit	Becky Snyder	Nancy Hillman
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Lydia Evans Emry Evans	Kelly Little	Kristen Jones	E. Waltenbaugh
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Sarah Walsh Anna Moyer	Sarah Iannotti Abbie Riggall	C. Grosshanten Aubree Riggall	Caroline Smith Anna Moyer
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Danielle Moyer Heidi Moyer	Yvonne Marshall Jayda Marshall	Laura Wambold Maggie Wambold	Sarah Keating Janie Keating
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert	J. English	L. Barbadoro
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Jesse & Emily Waltenbaugh	Phil & Kerri Hoogenhuis	Katelyn Reist	Mark & Rebecca Kleeman
Welcome Bread Bakers	Debbie Schultz	Sharon Muhlfeld	Megan Ford	Denise Brill
Greeters	Ryan Smith	Bob & Betty Peterson	Larry & Pat Stoner	Darren Cornish
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	Ken Markwalter TBD Frank Evans Bob Lagonegro M. McMillan J. Medendorp Paul Wichert	Steve Rutkowski George Schmidt Charlie Burger Sam Kleeman Jim Lowery Bill Propsner D. Rutkowski

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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.*