

WELCOME TO COVENANT

Join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Circle, where today's preaching minister will be glad to greet you. You also may learn more about our life of faith together at our website or on Facebook.

Interested in joining Covenant? We welcome new members every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building. We also welcome new members via Zoom one Sunday a month. Contact Lora.Borrelli@CovenantPresby.org for the link.

Each Sunday, we offer educational and fellowship opportunities in the mornings and evenings for children, youth and adults in the Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. Please see the digital signs in each building for details.

Covenant expects and gladly welcomes many first-time and repeat visitors. By introducing ourselves and sharing a warm greeting, we express the hospitality of our congregation. Please share a smile and welcoming word with those around you.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (AS OF JULY 1)

Welcome New Member
Seth Amott

With Resurrection Hope
We extend our sympathy and love to Kelley and Jim Grainger on the death of her father, Dan Winzeler, on June 25.

In Need of Healing Prayer
Sandra Lare
Phyllis and Bill Maine
Cara Mitchell
Ada Offerdahl
Liz Welchman

We rely on members of the congregation, friends and relatives to keep us informed of hospitalizations, births and deaths. Please call the church office at 704-333-9071 or email Michelle.Williamson@CovenantPresby.org. Prayer requests may be submitted on your online Worship Response Card, on the web site at Connect and Grow -> Congregational Care, or to [Rev. Katherine.Kerr@CovenantPresby.org](mailto:Rev.Katherine.Kerr@CovenantPresby.org). A pastor remains on call for emergency situations (death, sudden hospitalizations, etc.). Please call 704-333-9071 and select the pastor-on-call option.



To the Greater Glory of God
A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, July 4, 2021
11 a.m.
SANCTUARY

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Covenant Presbyterian is a dynamic Christian community that gladly invites all people into a transformational experience of faith; boldly proclaims the gospel; bravely works toward a whole and just world; and passionately nurtures discipleship.

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, July 4, 2021

11 a.m.

Welcome to Covenant, we are glad you are here.

Children are always welcome in worship. Child care and children's programs (ages 6 weeks to fifth grade) are offered in the Education Wing.

Infant soothing rooms with live video of the worship service are available in the balcony and parlor. See an usher for assistance.

PRELUDE

Adagio F. Bridge

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Serenitye Taylor

*HYMN OF PRAISE 301

Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome) TWO OAKS

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of all nations:

You led men and women to this land,
and out of our conflicts you have created in us
a love for peace and liberty.

When we neglect rights and restrict freedoms, we fail you.

When we turn away neighbors in need,

and refuse to extend the opportunities of this land to all,
we offend your justice and your love. Forgive us.

Forgive pride that will not acknowledge national wrong
and that justifies injustice.

Forgive our divisions of race and class.

Make us compassionate, fair and helpful
to each other and to all people.

Raise up in us a right patriotism that seeks our nation's good
and the world's peace and hope.

Through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response 587 (*choir and congregation*)

Alleluia! CELTIC ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING & OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Grant Us Thy Peace F. Mendelssohn

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

James 5:1-6; 13 New Testament, p. 217

SERMON

"Freedom and Faith" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: A Thinking Person's Guide to Faith

*CLOSING HYMN 761

Called As Partners in Christ's Service BEECHER

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 547 (*verse 3*)

Go, My Children, with My Blessing ARD HYD Y NOS

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.

Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.

Here my Spirit's power filled you,

here my tender comfort stilled you.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

POSTLUDE

Interlude from "Water Music" G.F. Handel



THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Serenitye Taylor, pastoral resident for congregational life and care

Heather Potter, director of traditional music

Robert Dicks, organist

Kenney Potter, choral conductor

Covenant Choir

Sherry Ward, carillonneur

Molly Smerko, online host

Audio/Visuals

Katie Brown, Cleve Elam, Jason Graffis, Craig Harmon, Ricko Hill,

Eli James, Lauren Sawyers, Walt St. Onge

Sanctuary Preparation

Zeno Wall, Tim Ross, Joe Nesbit