

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 JUNE 24)

In Memoriam

Eric Andrew Jonas, Sr.
Elder

December 27, 1934 - June 17, 2021

With resurrection hope, we extend our sympathy and love to Darlene Jonas on the death of her husband, Eric Jonas.

Welcome New Member

Seth Amott

Birth

We celebrate the arrival of Holland Hilker, daughter of Elizabeth and Matt Hilker (little sister of Charlie), on June 12

Marriage

We rejoice at the vow renewal of Ellison Cleghorn and Thomas Ledbetter in the Covenant Sanctuary on June 27.

In Need of Healing Prayer

Phyllis and Bill Maine

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.

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1. 2009 MorningStar Music

This service is being streamed live and recorded for online viewing at CovenantPresby.org/live.

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To the Greater Glory of God
A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, June 27, 2021

11 a.m.

SANCTUARY

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, June 27, 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

Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing. L. Larson

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Molly Smerko

*HYMN OF PRAISE 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling HYFRYDOL

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** Grace Lindvall

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Holy God, in the company of others
we confess that we have sinned against you.
We have done things we shouldn't have done
and we have neglected to do what you call us to do.
God of grace, have mercy on us,
for we are sorry for the ways
in which we have fallen short of your glory.
Forgive us our sins, and help us to live in your light
and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response 587 (*choir and congregation*)

Alleluia! CELTIC ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Margaret Reid Ketner, daughter of Katherine and Bo Ketner

Standing as Elder: Paul Steffens

Edith "Edie" Emery Morrison, daughter of Susan Lawson and

Andrew Morrison. Standing as Elder: Anne McQuiston

Baptism Response 482 (*Choir and congregation*)

Baptized in Water BUNESSAN

Baptized in water, sealed by the spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND CONCERNS Bob Henderson

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

Come Ye Disconsolate arr. T. Johnson!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 13. Old Testament, p. 468

SERMON

"How Long? God and Suffering". Katherine Kerr
Sermon Series: A Thinking Person's Guide to Faith

*CLOSING HYMN 795

Healer of Our Every Ill HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

*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

Toccata Brevis D. Gawthrop

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Katherine Kerr, associate minister for congregational life and care
Grace Lindvall, associate minister for education
Molly Smerko, pastoral resident for education
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Jordan Locke, guest organist
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Covenant Choir
Ben Unger, carillonneur
Serenitye Taylor, 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

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George W. Sistrunk
by his family.

Note to Parents

Sunday School is offered in the Education Wing for preschool and elementary-aged children at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Child care (children younger than preschool) is offered on the first floor from 9:30 a.m. -12 noon.

