

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, September 12, 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

Concerto After Vivaldi, Allegro J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Katherine Kerr

*HYMN OF PRAISE 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silent Prayer

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, whose very being is love,
we know that we are imperfect in loving;
we fall short of your call to do justice;
we struggle to be good neighbors to the least of your children.
Forgive us, merciful God, and renew us
that we might more fully be bearers
of your love and justice in the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response 587 *(choir and congregation)*

Alleluia! CELTIC ALLELUIA

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Alleluia! Alleluia!

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Bob Henderson

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Roof Above Liz Clasen-Kelly

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:31-38 New Testament, p. 102

SERMON

"Passionately Nurture Discipleship" Bob Henderson

Sermon Series: *Welcome Home: A Place Where We...*

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 42

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure WINCHESTER NEW

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

O Clap Your Hands R. Vaughn Williams

O, clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God
with the voice of triumph. For the Lord most high is
terrible; God is a great king over all the earth. God
is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound
of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing
praises unto our king, sing praises. For God is the
king of all the earth; sing ye praises, every one that
hath understanding. God reigneth over the heavens,
God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness. Sing
praises unto our king. Sing praises.

~ *Covenant Choir* ~

*CLOSING HYMN 182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say KINGSFOLD

*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

Tuba Tune C.S. Lang



THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister for congregational life
and care
Serenitye Taylor, pastoral resident for congregational life and care
Heather Potter, director of traditional music
Robert Dicks, associate director of traditional music & organist
Kenney Potter, choral conductor
Covenant Choir
Covenant Ringers
Sherry Ward, carillonneur
Marty Viser, online host

Audio/Visuals

Maureen Betts, Cleve Elam, Jason Graffis, Craig Harmon, Ricko Hill,
Eli James, Walt St. Onge, Kay Tawney

Sanctuary Preparation

Zeno Wall, Tim Ross, Joe Nesbit

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.

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

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 SEPTEMBER 9)

Birth

We celebrate the arrival of Malina Skye Bennight, daughter of Mauryn and B.T. Bennight on September 2.

In Memoriam

Joan Gibson Berryhill
February 25, 1938 – August 31, 2021

Deaths

With resurrection hope, we extend our sympathy and love to Bruce Berryhill on the death of his wife, Joan; and to

LaVita and Ricko Hill on the death of his sister,
Yulonda Hollis on August 31

In Need of Healing Prayer

Helen Cathey
Sandra Lare
Ada Offerdahl
Bettye Walker
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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