

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.

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister for congregational life, pastoral care
Grace Lindvall, associate minister for education
Shea Watts, director of contemporary worship and arts
Serenity Taylor, online host
Ben Unger, carillonneur

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Paul Fisher (drums), Jessica Hindman (vocals), Cheryl Hoover (bass, vocals), Phil Koonce (guitar, vocals), Noelle Lewis (vocals), Ginny Magrath (vocals)

Audio/Visuals

Katie Brown, Cleveland 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.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism today at 11:00 a.m.

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

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

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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| | 5. 1983 Polygram Int. Music Publishing B.v. |
| | 6. 2003 spiritandsong.com and Thankyou Music |
| | 7. 1996 Rick Muchow (Encouraging Music) |

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 27, 2021
9:30 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.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, June 27, 2021

9:30 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.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Wake Up Jesus. I. Wardell, P. Zach, L. Jordan, O. Palmer¹

Jesus, when you gonna wake up?
When you gonna wake up and calm this raging sea?
Jesus, when you gonna wake up?
When you gonna wake up?
How can you sleep when we're in need?

Just one word from the Maker and all the waves will be made still
Just one touch from the Healer and all will be made well

So won't you rise up?
Won't you rise up?

How Much Longer A. Hooker, B. Hardesty, C. Orlando²

In the silence tell me can you hear
The voices calling out of the disappeared
Broken spirits dormant dreams
How much longer will justice sleep
When a lawless heart is the voice we're hearing
We need freedom

How much longer 'til we sing a new song
How much longer 'til we sing a new song
Hearts of saints and sinners too
Both have walked away from the destitute
Call them back to sing as one
A song of freedom now a song to overcome
Come on brother lay your weapons down
Where the river of justice rolls
And all oppression drowns
It flows with life love and truth
May the old be washed away and hearts be made anew

The Jesus In Me

The Jesus in me loves the Jesus in you
The Jesus in me loves the Jesus in you,
so easy, so easy, so easy, so easy to love

Welcome & Announcements Grace Lindvall

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**Hungry*. K. Scott³

**Prayer of Adoration* Bob Henderson

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eagle's Wings R. Morgan⁴

(worship team and congregation)

**Come live in me, all my life take over
Come breathe in me, and I will rise
On eagle's wings**

Assurance of Pardon

A Time with Young Disciples

He's Got the Whole World In His Hands

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

40. A. Clayton, L. Mullen, D. Evans, P. Hewson⁵

I waited patiently for the Lord
He inclined and heard my cry
He lift me up out of the pits
Out of the miry clay

I will sing, sing a new song
I will sing, sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long, how long, how long
How long to sing this song?
He set my feet upon a rock
And made my footsteps firm
Many will see
Many will see and hear

I will sing, sing a new song
I will sing, sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long, how long, how long
How long to sing this song?

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

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

**Your Grace is Enough* M. Maher⁶

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁷

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit