LORD'S DAY

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COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Upon entering the sanctuary please maintain silence for the sake of the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.

-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

Welcome and Silent Prayer

Father, most kind and generous:
We come to you as your children,
because we need you and want to be with you;
we come to you as our Lord and God,
because we are in awe of you and worship you;
we come to you in the name of Jesus,
because you have promised to be with us when we gather in his name.
All glory be to you, O Father, and to the Eternal Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 99.1-3

*Prayer of Adoration

*Song of Praise to God

Hymn No. 46

ROUND THE LORD IN GLORY SEATED

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father,
teach us not to sin with such abandon.
We do it all too easily.
We pretend, lie, envy and lust,
we criticize, brood, ignore and deny,
we hoard, defame, distort and make excuses,
and then we expect an easy forgiveness for the asking.
Lord God, forgive us for our blatant disregard of your holy character.
Let us not misinterpret your patience with our sin as if it were permissiveness.
Astonish us with a wholesome, godly fear
which will not drive us to despair,
but cause us to number our days
and give us hearts of wisdom;
in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 130.3-7

*Song of Praise to Christ

Hymn No. 324 CHRIST IS COMING!

Congregational Petitions 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 also have forgiven 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.

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson Isaiah 22.1-25

Sermon

"The Judgment of God's Own People" Rev. Ron Gonzales

*Song of Response



Worship of God with Tithes and Offering

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
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Confession of Faith

What do you believe about the last judgment?

God has appointed a day, on which he will judge the world, in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, to whom all power and judgment are given of the Father. In which day, not only the apostate angels shall be judged, but like wise all persons who have lived on earth shall appear before the tribunal of Christ, to give an account of their thoughts, words, and deeds; and to receive according to what they have done in the body, whether good or evil.

—The Westminster Confession of Faith, 33.1

-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward (generally from the back of the sanctuary to the front, though you may commune at any time) and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner ring of each tray; grape juice in the outer ring. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians, who are living under the authority of Christ and his Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are admitting that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation.

*Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn No. 523

MY HOPE IS IN THE LORD

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

*Benediction Numbers 6.24-26

Postlude and Silent Prayer

Lord, we plead with you to give us grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Please stand if able

Our Nursery Helpers

Worship

Today: Erika Leinweber & Jack Leinweber Next Week: Katie Leinweber & Nicole Miller

Sunday School

Today: Peter Early Next Week: Alysia Buob & Janice Vander Griend

Weekly Gatherings

Home Fellowship Group meets on all but first Wednesdays, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM, at Jack and Pat Lilly's (1607 Evergreen St), for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. This week the group will be studying Isaiah 24.1-23. All are invited.

Men's Group is taking this week off. It will resume its study of Genesis next Thursday, May 21, at 6:00 AM, at Pastor Ron's office. All men are invited.

Sermon Notes:

Prayer Concerns

Laura Chabre is scheduled for a cesarean section on Thursday morning. Pray for a safe delivery, a healthy baby, and a trouble-free recovery.

Karl Hedine: Pray that the chemotherapy is successful in destroying any remaining cancer cells, that Karl's body is able to handle the treatments, and that he and Renee are strengthened in grace as they look to the Lord.

Del Klicker continues to recover from his recent fall. Pray that his hip heals properly and that he navigates life on crutches safely during his convalescence.

The Christian Aid Center: Pray for the ongoing work of the Christian Aid Center; that through its staff and volunteers the love of God is seen and felt by many.

The Pacific Northwest Presbytery is meeting this Thursday and Friday in Seattle. Pray for the ministers and elders attending; that their decisions honor the Lord and are a help to the church.

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries this Week:

May 10 Judie Jud

May 13 Brian Head

May 14 Loren and Janice Vander Griend

May 16 Laura Chabre

May 16 Jake Reller

Christian Aid Dinner: We are serving dinner at the Christian Aid Center tomorrow night. If you would like to help, please let Robert Fastenow know. We have also been invited to take a tour of the center and learn more about its work. If you are interested, the tour will begin at 6:15.

Visitors: Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and invite you to join us downstairs, following the service, for refreshments, a time of fellowship and, if your schedule permits, our Sunday School Hour.

Explanation of Cover Symbol

In the Greek language of the early Christian era abbreviations were typically the first and last letters of words, often with a superscription to indicate the missing letters. IC is a standard abbreviation of IHCOYC, the Greek "Jesus," XC the abbreviation of XPICTOC, "Christ"; and NIKA means "He conquers." The symbol then reads, "Jesus Christ Conquers by the Cross" or "Jesus Christ, Victor."