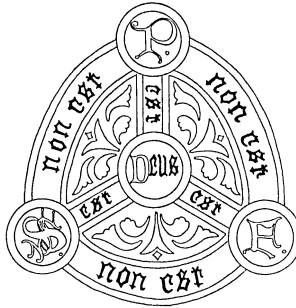


LORD'S DAY

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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

Heavenly Father, Giver and Sustainer of all life:

Help us, as we draw near, to love and adore and worship you
with all that we are and all that we have to offer,
for you alone are worthy. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 95.1-7

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 23

GOD OF GODS, WE SOUND HIS PRAISES

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father,
we acknowledge and confess that we are prone to evil and slothful in good.
You alone know how often we have offended you:
in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.
But you, O Lord, have mercy on those who are ashamed of and sorry for their iniquities.
Teach us to hate our offenses; cleanse us from our secret faults;
forgive us our sins for the sake of your dear Son.
And O most loving Father,
help us, we pray, to live in your light and walk in your ways,
in keeping with the commandments of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 1.16-17

***Song of Praise to Christ**

Hymn No. 166

WONDROUS KING, ALL-GLORIOUS

Prayer for the Church and the World

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 24.1-23

Sermon

“Isaiah’s Apocalypse”
Rev. Ron Gonzales

***Song of Response**

Hymn No. 319

DAY OF JUDGMENT! DAY OF WONDERS!

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 benefit is there in knowing of the coming day of judgment?

**As Christ would have us convinced of a coming day of judgment,
both to deter all men from sin,
and for the greater consolation of the godly in their adversity:
so will he have that day unknown to men,
that they may shake off all worldly security,
and be always watchful,
because they know not at what hour the Lord will come;
and may be ever prepared to say, Come Lord Jesus, come quickly. Amen.**

—The Westminster Confession of Faith, 33.3

-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. 55

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

***Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13.14

Postlude and Silent Prayer

God of love,
as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us,
so may we give ourselves to you,
living according to your holy will.
Keep our feet firmly in the way
where Christ leads us;
help our lips speak the truth
that Christ teaches us;
fill our bodies with the life
that is Christ within us.
In his holy name we pray. Amen.

*Please stand if able

Our Nursery Helpers

Worship

Today: Katie Leinweber & Nicole Miller *Next Week:* Anna Vander Griend & Erika Leinweber
Sunday School

Today: Alysia Buob & Janice Vander Griend *Next Week:* Eileen Davis & Samantha Schroeder

Financial Update

April General Fund

Congregational Giving	\$9,714
Outside Giving	<u>0</u>
Total Income	\$9,714

Budgeted Expenses	\$8,283
Actual Expenses	\$8,007

Fiscal Year-End¹ General Fund

Congregational Giving	\$ 97,511
Outside Giving	<u>8,405</u>
Total Income	\$105,916

Budgeted Expenses	\$ 99,396
Actual Expenses	\$ 99,138

¹ Our fiscal year runs May 1 through April 30.

Sermon Notes:

Prayer Concerns

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.

Shawn & Jamie Riley (Philadelphia): Shawn is nearing the completion of his final quarter in seminary, with final exams next week. Pray for strength to finish well, for his care of Jamie and the kids, and for direction regarding their future.

Announcements

Birthdays this Week:

May 18	Nelson Carpenter
May 19	Alysia Buob
May 22	Eileen Davis

Congratulations to Kevin & Laura Chabre on the birth of Colton Lee, born May 14. Colton weighed in at 8 pounds 1 ounce, and was 20 ½ inches long. Both he and Laura are doing great.

Session Meeting: The elders are meeting this Thursday, at 6:30 PM at Pastor Ron's office, to pray for and conduct the business of the church. Please pray for them as they do, and be sure to let them know how they can pray for you.

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.

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 25.1-27.13. All are invited.

Men's Group resumes its study of Genesis this Thursday, at 6:00 AM, at Pastor Ron's office. All men are invited.

Explanation of Cover Symbol

The Shield of the Holy Trinity is frequently found in stained glass windows of medieval churches. This emblem expresses the Christian doctrine of the triunity of Almighty God, a truth taught in Scripture and affirmed by the Council of Constantinople in AD 381.