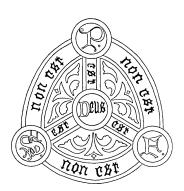
# LORD'S DAY

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## COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Upon entering the sanctuary, please be sensitive to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure all electronic devises are turned off or set to silent mode.

#### -DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

### Welcome and Silent Prayer

Glorious Lord, it is the passion of our lives to worship you, the crown and glory of our souls to adore you. Enable us by your Spirit to do so now, that we may forget the world and be brought into the fullness of life as we gaze upon your beauty and holiness. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 34.1-10

\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Song of Praise to God

Hymn No. 26

TELL OUT, MY SOUL, THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD

#### -HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

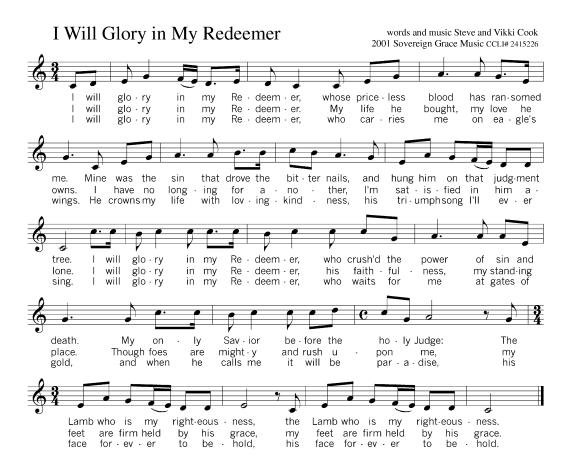
#### **Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, we acknowledge our unworthiness of your grace and salvation. So little have we truly believed our Savior's conquest of sin and death for us! How often we forget that the Lord Jesus is sitting at your right hand, ruling over all things for the church, interceding for us, and will one day return to bring salvation to all who are waiting for him. How often we are weak or discouraged because we have forgotten that since Christ is in heaven we who belong to him are as much as seated with him there. How wrong of us that so great a Savior and so great a salvation should not produce in us greater love and firmer hope. Forgive us for such little faith, restore to us the joy of our salvation, and help us to walk worthy of it; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon Matthew 11.28-30

# \*Song of Praise to Christ



### \*Confession of Faith

Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?

Since death is the punishment for sin, Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin and bring us back to God. By his substitutionary atoning death, he alone redeems us from hell and gains for us forgiveness of sin, righteousness, and everlasting life.<sup>1</sup>

-The New City Catechism, No. 24

Prayer for the Church and the World

#### -ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

1 Timothy 5.1-16

Sermon

"Family-Matters" Rev. Ron Gonzales

\*Song of Response

Hymn No. 530

LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

# Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

\*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.
Words Thomas Ken, 1709; music Genevan Psalter, 1551; Public Domain

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him" (Col 1.21-22).

#### -OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

## The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward 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. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you the following prayers for your use during this time.

# A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

## A Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

# A Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false pleasure to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

# \*Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn No. 455

AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

#### -GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

\*Benediction 2 Corinthians 13.14

### Postlude and Silent Prayer

Almighty and gracious Father, grant us a heart to love you, and enable us to show our thankfulness by giving ourselves up to your service, and delighting in all things to do your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

\*Please stand if able.

### **Our Nursery Helpers**

Worship

Today: Collie Parsons Next Week: Jenni Early

## Gatherings

*Kids' Quest* is a catechism class for children, ages 5 through elementary grades, taught by Pastor Ron. It meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month (September through May), from 3:30 to 4:45 PM, at the church.

The Leinweber Home Fellowship Group, led by Chad, meets at the Leinwebers' (60 Cranbrook Ln), on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, at 12:30 PM. For more information, see Chad. All (including children) are welcome.

The Martin Home Fellowship Group is taking a break for the summer. It will resume in September.

*The Men's Group* meets Wednesdays, from 6:00 to 7:30 AM, at Pastor Ron's office, for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. This week they are beginning a study in Exodus. All men are invited.

*Prayer Meeting:* We meet the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary, to pray for one another, the kingdom and our world. Please join us.

Sermon Notes: "Family-Matters" (1 Timothy 5.1-16)
1. Relating to Everyone (vv. 1-2)
2. Caring for Widows (vv. 3-8)

3. Providing for Their Ministry (vv. 9-15)

#### **Prayer Concerns**

*Rev. Andrew Allen:* Pray the treatment Andrew is receiving continues to show good results, that it has an arresting effect on the cancer, and that he and Amy are kept in God's peace.

*Oaks Parish:* Pray for the Rev. Bryan Buck, our church-planter in southeast Portland, that God strengthens and uses him as he preaches the gospel in word and deed.

*Leinweber Family:* Continue to pray for the Leinweber family as they mourn the passing of Mike (Chad's dad).

Alister & Sarah Torrens (Kiev): Pray for the Torrens, who are visiting family and supporters in the U.S. for the next two months. Pray for much needed rest

#### Announcements

*Birthdays this Week:* 

June 18 Annie Carpenter

June 18 Nicholas Seabrands

June 21 Ryan Alden

June 23 Kristina Halvorson

An Opportunity to Express Thanks: Next Sunday, following the service, Covenant, Crazy Love, and Central Christian will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a joint Coffee Hour during which we will express thanks to Central for the gift of the building. Please join us.

Session/Prayer Meeting: Due to scheduling conflicts, the elders are meeting on the fourth Thursday this month (June 28). Therefore, there will be no prayer meeting that night.

*Alistair & Sarah Torrens*, our missionaries in Kiev will be here July 1. Alister will be preaching and, after the service, sharing what God has been doing in Ukraine.

*Visitors:* Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and would love to have you join us downstairs, following the service, for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

### **Explanation of the 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.