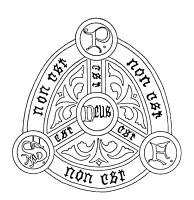
LORD'S DAY June 20, 2021



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America Dr. Ron Gonzales, Minister 66 S Palouse St | Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 522-1020 Email: office@covenantwallawalla.org

Upon entering the sanctuary, please be sensitive to 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

Almighty God, whose glory is above the heavens, praise waits for you in Zion! Out of your great mercy you have gathered us into your church. Receive the adoration of our hearts this day, and grant that we may so honor you, both in spirit and in outward form, that your name may be glorified through the worship of our lips and our hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 99.1-3

*Prayer of Adoration

*Song of Praise to God

Hymn No. 100

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

-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 Isaiah 1.18

*Song of Praise to Christ



Confession of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

-The Apostles' Creed¹

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.

¹ Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated as a baptismal confession, probably in the second century, and developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century.

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Sermon

"Called by God" 1 Kings 19.19-21 Rev. Ron Gonzales

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

-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

All who are baptized Christians, living under the authority of Christ and his body, the church, are warmly invited to partake of the Supper. We will partake together after everyone has been served. By eating the bread and drinking the cup, you are acknowledging 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 but commend to you instead the following prayer 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.

*Song of Commitment

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

*Benediction Numbers 6.24-26

Gatherings

Home Fellowship Group, led by Pastor Ron, meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Chad and Heidi Leinweber's, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They are studying 1 Kings and all are welcome.

The Men's Group meets Fridays, from 6:00 to 7:00 AM, in the Coffee Hour room. They are going through a series, led by Kirk Alden, entitled "Leading by the Book," in which fifty-two leadership principles related to personal development, relationships, and life skills are studied from a biblical perspective. All men and older sons are invited!

A Men's Leadership Bible Study, led by Kirk Alden, meets at Tate's Umapine Mercantile on Thursdays, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All men are invited. For more information, talk to Kirk.

Prayer Meeting: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the sanctuary, to pray for one another, for the kingdom, and the world. Please join us.

The Covenant Women's Study, led by Jenni Early, is studying the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5-7), on Tuesdays, from 7:00 to 8:30 AM, in the Coffee Hour room. All women are welcome, and copies of the passage and questions for next week are available on the literature table.

Sermon Notes: "Called by God" (1 Kings 19.19-21)

Prayer Concerns

Boise Presbyterian Church: Pray for Rev. Brian Frey, our church planter in Boise, that God strengthens and directs him as he labors to establish this young congregation.

Jay & Bet Denton (BSU): Pray for Jay and the RUF staff as they plan for the coming year and as they minister to the students that remain in Boise over the summer. May God use them now and in the year ahead to help many come to know the Savior and grow in Christian discipleship.

The Persecuted Church: There are 15 million Christians out of 25 million people living in Cameroon, a country in west-central Africa. Though a majority Christian nation, the country is divided, with parts of northern Cameroon dominated by Islam. In such regions converting to Christianity carries significant risk of violence or ostracizing from family and community. Northern Cameroon is also subject to attacks by Boko Haram, the Islamic extremist group that targets Christians. Pray for those who have converted and are now facing threats of violence for their faith. Pray for those who oppose the dictatorship of Cameroon's president. If believers are seen as opposing the government, they can be tortured and even killed. And pray that God would turn to the light those who are walking in darkness.

My Strength and My Song: Having experienced God's deliverance, the people of Israel sang, "The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him" (Ex 15.2). In addition to strength and healing, pray that Sandy Cupolillo, Mike Givens, Tom Manning, Elizabeth Miller, and Vickie Myers might have this song on their lips as well.

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries this Week:

June 22 Rogue McBean

June 24 Peter and Jenni Early

Visitors: Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you.

Women's Recharge: Come learn to study the Bible with your sisters. Covenant women will be putting on a women's fellowship and workshop on Saturday, July 17, at the church, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Jenni Early (509-240-9979) so we know how much food to prepare. Older girls are welcome, as long as they are able to sit through some listening and quiet study time.

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.