



May 12, 2024

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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# COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: WHITE

May 12, 2024

11:00am Worship

7th Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day/Graduates Recognition/Confirmation

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION

*In Christ Alone/Lord, I Need You*

arr., Phillip Keveren

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PNC PRESENTATION

*Karen Foutz, Kathryn Fowler, Wyatt Herndon, Rose Kisaalita,  
Bill Rigsby, Linda Rogers, and Brian Stone.*

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

VOLUNTARY

*Fill-A-Me Up*

Pepper Choplin

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

What a blessing!

We gather to listen and to discern God's will.

**What a fellowship!**

**We join together and share our testimony  
in the presence of God.**

Our delight in God will be our song of praise.

**We come to worship God with our whole hearts.**

\*HYMN 305  
(verses 1 and 2)

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWELL'S 148th

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Saving God,**

**we are in awe of the power of resurrection,  
and we give you glory with our hallelujahs,  
but we carry lingering doubts  
about your saving power in our lives.**

**We ask why you do not answer our prayers quickly enough.**

**We demand signs to prove the reality of your promises.**

**Sometimes we find ourselves wondering  
when you will show up to ease our pain.**

**We pray now that you will help us  
in our impatience and unbelief.**

**Forgive us and free us to recognize your presence. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*PRAISE HYMN 586

"Alleluia"

ALLELUIA 7

(SINGING TWICE)

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

GOSPEL READING

John 17: 6-19

PROCLAMATION

Rev. Teresa Franklin

\*HYMN 465  
(verses 1 and 3)

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

CONVERSE

## RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns and Celebrations*

SERVICE FOR CONFIRMATION—See insert

OFFERING      *All the Earth Rejoice with a Gladsome Voice*      Vivaldi  
arr., Hal Hopson

\*DOXOLOGY 607      “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”      OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 839      “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”      ASSURANCE  
(verses 1 and 3)

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING HYMN 295      “Go to the World”      SINE NOMINE  
(verse 2)      **Go to the world? Go into every place.  
Go live the world of God’s redeeming grace.  
Go seek God’s presence in each time and space.**

\*POSTLUDE      *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder*      arr., Mark Hayes

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MUSIC DIRECTOR: Aaron Carter-Enyi      LITURGIST: Luanne Rigsby, Lila McMaster

PIANIST: Betsy Burmeister      DUET: Pam Knox, Linda Rogers

ADULT CHOIR

MORE THAN FOUR QUARTET: Jim Anderson, Betsy Burmeister, Kathryn Fowler,  
Rich Reaves, and Linda Rogers