



June 9, 2024
Covenant Presbyterian Church
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COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: GREEN

June 9, 2024

10:00am Worship

Third Sunday after Pentecost

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

Come Into God's Presence (Canon)

Anonymous

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We wait for you, O God,

more than those who watch for the morning.

We wait for your steadfast love,

more than those who watch for the morning.

We wait for you to lift the lowly,

more than those who watch for the morning.

We wait for your unexpected grace,

more than those who watch for the morning.

Let us sing of God's holy ways,

the glory of the one for whom we wait.

*HYMN 834

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Dorsey/Allen

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

you call us to love our neighbors and the planet that you have entrusted to our care, but we do not always follow.

You call us to love you with everything we have, but our attention drifts.

You know what these confessions mean for each of us.

Forgive us, Holy One, and refocus us.

Draw us back to you.

(Moments for silent confession)

Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*PRAISE HYMN 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me" P.M. Vasile

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING

Psalm 138

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 8: 4-20

PROCLAMATION

Crave

Rev. Teresa Franklin

*HYMN 340

"This Is My Song"

FINLANDIA

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in a steadfast God, who constantly surprises us
with unprecedented grace and unexpected redemption.**

**We believe that God forgives us when we least deserve it,
and shows us how to love and forgive those we most despise.**

**God enlivens us to keep watch for divine love at work in those we demonize,
and for God's power in those we look down upon.**

**We believe that God will deliver us
from all the ways we try to make God conform to the structures and systems
we have built, for God has called us to a new way of being. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns & Celebrations*

OFFERING 713

Touch The Earth Lightly

TENDERNESS

*DOXOLOGY

"We are Grateful, O Lord!"
**We are grateful O Lord, We are grateful O Lord,
for all you have done for us,
We are grateful O Lord.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 835

"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"

CLOSER WALK

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 540

"Farewell, Good Friends!"

SHALOM, CHAVERIM

**Farewell, good friends! Farewell good friends!
Till we meet again, till we meet again.**

*POSTLUDE

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