



## COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**8:30 & 11:00 am      ORDER OF WORSHIP      February 21, 2010**  
**1st Sunday in Lent**

- Covenant Church welcomes children in worship. There is a nursery for infants through age two in Room 101 of the Educational wing of the church. Worship bags full of quiet activities for children to use during our services are available inside the cart that holds our name tags.
- Hearing devices and large print bulletins, bibles and hymn books are available on the credenza in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- Prayer request cards will be collected during Fellowship Moments.

### SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

*My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.* Psalm 91:2

### THE GATHERING

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\*GREETINGS and PASSING OF THE PEACE

8:30 Katie Kinnison; 11:00 Karen Ware Jackson

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

PRELUDE                      “Morceau de Concours”                      G. Faure  
Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 81 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”  
St. Flavian

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) “For All the Times”  
(See card in the pews)                      David Bruce Smith

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

*\*All who can comfortably do so, please stand.*

11:00 am Service  
 \*AFFIRMATION  
**Love has its source in you, Creator God; Flows from you like an ocean into a world as unyielding as any shoreline cliff; And like the ocean which batters, erodes, and wears away even the hardest stone, your love persists; finds cracks and inlets in hardened hearts, flows inside, and works a miracle. Who would think that water was more powerful than granite, love mightier than the hardest heart? Thank you, Creator God, for the power of your love.**

TALK WITH CHILDREN Karen Ware Jackson  
*We encourage children to stay with us in worship. We try to keep the worship experience engaging and participatory for all ages. At the same time, some little ones are too restless to remain in the Sanctuary for the full hour so, with their grown-ups' permission, they may go to Room 112 for Wiggle Worship at this time.*

FELLOWSHIP MOMENTS

- Prayer request cards will be collected at this point.
- Please sign the fellowship pad and pass it to your neighbor.

TESTIMONY Cathy Levy

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All:** "Our Father who art in heaven..." (Hymnal p. 16. We say debts and debtors.)

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 91 NT Page 548  
 Lay Readers: 8:30 David Smathers; 11:00 Lisa Swartz

NEW TESTAMENT Luke 4:1-13 OT Page 61

EXPLORING THE WORD (Bible study) Tracy Keenan

ANTHEM "On Eagle's Wings" Michael Joncas  
 8:30 Early Birds; 11:00 Chancel Choir

WRESTLING WITH THE WORD "The Temptation of Safety"

**RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Kokopeli for Solo Flute" K. Hoover  
 Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute

\*Offertory Response Lasst uns erfreuen  
 Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise God the Father, God the Son, Praise God the Spirit, Three in One. Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia.

\*Prayer of Dedication

WALKING WITH THE WORD

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 260 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Ein' feste Burg

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Walk, Walk" Tracy Keenan

POSTLUDE "Syrinx, for Solo Flute" C. Debussy  
 (You are invited to stay and listen) Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute

ANTHEM TEXT

*On Eagle's Wings* Text: Psalm 91 Music: Michael Joncas  
 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!"  
 And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.  
 The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.  
 You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.  
 For to his angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

HYMN NOTES

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days." As a result of her life-long interest in religious education, Claudia Frances Hernamen wrote 150 hymns for children. This one attempts to explain the deeper meanings of the 40 days of Lent - fasting, praying, temptations, penitence - which point to the joys of Easter which follows the penitential season.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," often called the "Battle Hymn of the Reformation," is based on portions of Psalm 46. Scripture was often the inspiration for Luther's hymns. The final stanza is Luther's vow, and ours, to cling to God's Word and Truth in spite of the stresses of this life. This hymn appears in its original rhythm at #259. It was originally intended to be sung in unison. When four-part singing became the norm, the rhythms of many hymns were simplified into isometric (equal note value) hymns.

**Weldon Adams Away**

Weldon Adams is away on vacation this week. Nancy Davidson is directing the choir and playing the organ. Rodolfo Vazquez is playing the Prelude, Offertory and Postlude.

**Affirmation** by J. Birch (www.faithandworship.com)

**PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP**

**Ushers:** 8:30 Dick Sharpe, Mark Owen, Betsy Owen, Tim Scott  
 11:00 Rusty Miller, Rob Radcliff, Robin Schmidt, Jan Schmidt  
**Greeters:** 8:30 Mike Hayes, Terri Hayes, Gail Griffin  
 11:00 Cora Kuyvenhoven, Carmina Spencer, Benjamin Spencer, Martin Spencer  
**Musicians:** Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute; Nancy Davidson, Organ and Piano;  
 8:30 Early Birds; 11:00 Chancel Choir

**TODAY AT COVENANT**

The flowers in front of the pulpit are from Anna Jo Beeson:  
*A heartfelt thank you to Weldon Adams, Sandy Tullett and the performers who shared their talents in last night's Variety Show.*

**Adults**

- The Forum: Christianity and War, Dr. Diane Lobody, Lounge (see below)
  - Parents share their lives and faith, Room 102
- Youth** - New Study on "Heaven and Hell," Karen's office  
**Treasure Finders** - Children three years through fifth grade gather in Room 104

**"Christians and War: Commitment & Conviction"**

**Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 9:45, Lounge**

For 2,000 years, followers of Jesus Christ have wrestled with what it means to love one another in situations of profound threat and imminent violence. What are Christian, faithful, responses to war? How can we honor those who pursue peace along paths different from our own? This Forum will call upon historians, theologians and experienced servants of Christ to share their perspectives. Dr. Diane Lobody, professor from Methodist Theological School in Ohio, will begin this series with an historical overview.

**Confirmation Class Date 9:45-10:45 am, Lower Level**

**Covenant Cowboy Cafe Tickets On Sale Today**

Support youth mission trips and have a great time at our annual dinner and silent auction Sat., March 13, 6 pm! Get your tickets for \$15 each or donate items for the silent auction today and for the next four Sundays.

**Covenant Youth Tonight 6 pm**

**Bible Study 6:30 pm, Room 120**

Join us for our study of Acts. Contact Katie Kinnison.

**THIS WEEK Feb. 22-27**

**Preacher from the Pew Series Series Starts Wed., Feb. 24**

Attend the Preacher from the Pew services where members of our congregation share their life's journey of faith. Our distinguished lay preachers will be: Feb. 24, Kadie Koeneman; March 3, Marsha Martin; March 10, Mary Hoyt; March 17, Reid Huntley; March 24, Rodolfo Vazquez. Join us for soup and salad at 6 pm in the Lounge. The Service will be at 6:45 pm in the Sanctuary.

**String Quartet Concert Wed., Feb. 24, 8 pm, Battelle Fine Arts, Westerville**

QUBE, the string quartet in residence at Otterbein College, will perform a free concert of music by Mozart, Roussel, Schumann and others. QUBE is comprised of Otterbein Music Department faculty members including Covenant's Cora Kuyvenhoven, cello. For information, call 614-823-1508.

**Men Connecting With God. Sat., Feb. 27, 8-9 am, Lounge**

Come join the conversation. Eggs or pancakes, oatmeal, hot beverage provided. If you can, bring a breakfast treat to share. Questions/Information: jimmebler@covenantpcusa.org.

**NEXT WEEK Feb. 28-March 6**

**Preacher from the Pew Service & Dinner Continues Wed., March 3**

**LOOKING AHEAD March 7+**

**Covenant Café 2010 Sat., March 13, 6-9 pm**

Hey, pardner! Pull on your boots and join us for a dinner and auction to sup-

port youth mission trip! Adults \$15. Children under 12 \$5. Childcare will be provided. *Silent Auction Items Needed!*

### **Easter Ham Sale**

If you would like a Honeybaked Ham for Easter, buy one from the Covenant youth to support our summer mission trips! We will have a table after worship services on March 14, 21, and 28. Last day to order an Easter ham is Mon., March 29. Pick up is Sat., April 11 from 9-11am.

### **Deacons' Blood Drive** **Mon., March 15, 1-6pm, Fellowship Hall**

This is the Deacons' first blood drive of 2010. You can help save lives. Make an appointment at the sign-up table between Sunday services, by calling Lou Ann Doub, 488-3919, or on line at [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org) sponsor code "covenant."

### **March Spiritual Cinema - Zulu** **Mon., March 15, 6:30 pm, Lounge**

Since it was canceled because of the snow storm, *Zulu* is rescheduled to be the March movie. It is about the 1879 battle of Roarke's Drift, South Africa, where 139 South Wales Borderers held against 4,500 Zulu warriors for several days. The themes are current with today's issues on Christianity and war. A discussion will follow. Contact Beth Askue, [askue.1@osu.edu](mailto:askue.1@osu.edu), or Susan Imel, 262-7444 or [susanimel1@gmail.com](mailto:susanimel1@gmail.com).

### **Play Bridge** **Sun., March 14, April 11, May 23, 2 pm, Lounge**

Come as pairs or as individuals who will be paired. No reservations. Bring a snack to share and a cold drink for yourself. Hot drinks and ice provided. To pay for incidentals, \$1 per person is collected. Contact Bonnie Roussey, 451-7511.

### **Primetimers Meet** **Fri., March 19, 6pm, Lounge**

Primetimers will enjoy a potluck, and the speaker will be local celebrity and NBC Channel 4 weatherman, Jym Ganahl. Be sure to mark it on your calendar; He is a fascinating and entertaining speaker! If you have any questions, call Dorothy Grossman at 488-2820.

### **Mission Interpretation Meeting** **Tues., March. 23, 1:30 pm**

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## **OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS**

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### **An On-Line Lenten Devotion**

Scripture, prayer and meditative thoughts, accompanied by gentle music, can be accessed every day at [www.journeytothecross.org](http://www.journeytothecross.org) through Easter Sunday, April 4. Journey to the Cross is part of the year-round devotional site, d365, a ministry of Passport, Inc. Visit [www.d365.org](http://www.d365.org) for new devotions throughout the year. d365 is sponsored by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, the Presbyterian Church (USA) and The Episcopal Church.

**Part of the Deacons' Ministry is the Prayer Chain.** This ministry is to send a prayer through our church members by phone or email. If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain or have someone be placed on the prayer chain, please contact the church office.

### **Read the Bible on Katie's Blog Each Thursday**

Go to [www.readwithkatie.blogspot.com](http://www.readwithkatie.blogspot.com) and read my reflection on a passage from the bible. New blogs are up by Thursday mornings each week.

**COMPASS needs** full-size toiletries: soap, shampoo, tooth brushes/paste, deodorant, razors. Place in the laundry baskets in the narthex for deacons to deliver.



### **2010 Per Capita - \$33.31 per member**

We invite you to pay your share of the per capita which is \$33.31 per member. If you didn't receive an envelope in your year-end statement, pick one up from the welcome table or church pews. Question? Contact Ingrid Brooker.

### **The Jean A. Mortland Memorial Scholarship**

The scholarship recipient is selected by the Worship and Arts Commission. Applicant should be pursuing a college or graduate degree in music or theology, a member of Covenant or associated closely in some manner, and demonstrate a commitment to excellence in their vocation. Also considered are overall GPA, financial need, and written recommendations. The candidate must be enrolled in the institution of higher learning to which the gift will be directed. Deadline is March 1. For information and an application, call Ingrid Brooker, 451-6677.

**Remember and honor your loved ones or a special occasion by donating flowers for Sunday worship services.** Please sign the chart in the hall, then call Anna Jo Beeson, 451-3613, with your dedication.

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## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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Dick Rorapaugh at Mt. Carmel West.

Bob Bartels	Bob Basford	Dan Belville	Marie Bernays
Kristin Ware Cooper	Katherine Davis	Charlene Evans	Mildred Furney
Mary Jane Greigor	Pauline Grehl	Blake Haxton	Birdine Lint
Evan Lockhart	Mary Marshall	Sandy McCloud	Judy Sechler
Richard Smathers	Betsy Tannehill	Phyllis Tate	Whitney Von Voigt
Jean Ware	Steve White	Linda Yohn	

Compiled last week. For current information, check the list on the office bulletin board. Call the church, 451-6677, if you know of those who need prayers of concern or celebration. Hospitals do not automatically contact us, so we rely on you. Also pray for Covenant's mission workers; the list of their names is on the hall bulletin board.

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## **PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM**

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Tracy Keenan, Senior Pastor

Karen Ware Jackson, Associate Pastor

Weldon Adams, Minister of Music

Katie Kinnison, Director of Christian Education

Jim Mehler, Parish Associate

### **Covenant Presbyterian Church**

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#### **Our Vision Statement**

Covenant Presbyterian Church glorifies God and builds relationships with Christ and each other through:

- worship that inspires,
- nurture that embraces,
- education that challenges,
- fellowship that energizes,
- ministry that responds.



#### **Our Mission Statement**

Covenant Presbyterian Church is a dynamic congregation

- led by Christ,
- active in the world,
- inspired by the word,
- open to the future.