



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8:30 & 11:00 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Feb. 7, 2010

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Communion

- 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

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" Isaiah 6:8

THE GATHERING

*GREETINGS and PASSING OF THE PEACE Karen Ware Jackson
Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People: And also with you.

PRELUDE "Where Do I Go" Galt MacDermot, James Rado, Gerome Ragni
Dave Powers, Piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN NO. 344 "Christ of the Upward Way" Sursum Corda

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, who is both just and merciful, we confess that we do not handle change easily. Whether it is getting used to a new year, a new routine, or an entirely new way of being, we find much to stumble over. O God, you who specialize in new life, help us to find your call to us in whatever newness of life we encounter. Take away our fear and replace it with your love. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*PRAYER RESPONSE "God of Love, Hear Our Prayer" John Helgen

God of love, hear our prayer, we are trust-ing in your mer-cy,
God of love, hear our prayer, grant us your peace.

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

FELLOWSHIP MOMENTS

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.

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT I Corinthians 15:1-11 NT Page 176
Lay Readers: 8:30 John Harder; 11:00 Jim Buchanan

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 6:8 OT Page 636

SERMON “No Ordinary Line of Succession” Tracy Keenan

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER (See inside back cover of hymnal)

Music During Distribution “Above All” Lenny LeBlanc, Paul Baloche
Dave Powers, Piano

RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “Grace By Which I Stand” Keith Green
Dave Powers, Piano

*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

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 525 “Here I Am, Lord” Daniel Schutte

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Amen” Danish

POSTLUDE “Power Of Your Love” Don Moen
(You are invited to stay and listen) Dave Powers, Piano

HYMN NOTES

“Christ of the Upward Way” was written as a hymn for youth around 1915. It is based on Philippians 3:14. The final words “Lord, I am here” are “based upon a scholastic custom as answering class roll call with the Latin word ‘Adsum’” according to the author. The author, Walter John Mathams, began life as a Baptist, but became an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian).

“Here I Am, Lord” was composed for an ordination service at the Oakland Roman Catholic Cathedral. The author and composer was an ordained priest. He is now a layperson, a member of the Roman Catholic Liturgy Conference and musician at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Milwaukee.

Weldon Adams Away

Weldon and Roberta Adams are away this morning to attend the installation service of their son as Pastor of North Community Lutheran Church. Chris’s new church is on Morse Rd., just east of High Street. Dave Powers, of Presbyterian Women’s Church-wide Gathering fame, will be providing all of the music for this morning’s services. Dave is a noted jazz musician who performs in venues both locally and nationally.

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Ushers: 8:30 Jack Sanders, Diana Sanders, Duane Sunderman, Joan Sunderman, Gerlinde Lott
11:00 Dana Rudmose, Tom Hoover, Robert Gross, Pete McGeoch

Greeters: 8:30 Maggie Broekema, Nancy Cowman, Bob Cowman
11:00 Gail Brown, Betsy Campbell, Dick Campbell, Mona Connolly

Musicians: Dave Powers, Piano

TODAY AT COVENANT

The flowers in front of the pulpit are given
by Jane Jolliff and family in memory of Jack.

Adults

• The Forum: “*A Mystic Is Coming! An Introduction to N. Graham Standish*” (see following article), Lounge

• Lay Led Bible Study, Room 121

• Parents share their lives and faith, Room 102

Youth - “The Gospel according to Joan of Arcadia” - Karen’s Office

Treasure Finders - *Fishing for People*, Luke 5: 1-11, Spark Bible p. 258. Children three years through fifth grade gather in Room 104

The Forum Today

A Mystic Is Coming! An Introduction to N. Graham Standish. Presented by Katie Kinnison. Come learn about the work done by Reverend Standish, pastor of Calvin Presbyterian Church in Zelienople, PA and one of our workshop presenters at Spring Fest on March 13. His workshop is called “Following the Spirit’s Way to Congregational Health.”

On Sun., March 14, he will be at Covenant to preach and to lead the Forum.

“Mardi Gras” Variety Show & Spaghetti Dinner Tickets on Sale Today!

Plan to attend CPW’s annual spaghetti dinner and variety show on Sat., Feb.20. Dinner will be 5:30-7 pm with the “Mardi Gras” variety show program beginning at 7 pm. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 10 and under. Buy tickets today between services and next Sun., or call Betsy Sebastian at 457-4383 by Feb. 18. Enjoy an outstanding dinner and see your Covenant friends and staff in the variety show. Any proceeds help support CPW mission projects. (Primitives will sit together. Call Emogene Andrews, 451-2474.)

Confirmation Dates Today and Feb., 21, 9:45-10:45 am, Lower Level

Bridge Cancelled Today

No Strings Attached Concert Sun., Feb. 7, 3 pm, Sanctuary
The No Strings Attached Chamber Music Society and GCAC Franklin County Neighborhood Arts Program presents *The Example to Follow, The Paradigm!* Bach to Basics: The music of Bach, Vivaldi, Loeillet, Villa-Lobos with Rodolfo Vázquez, flute; Sean Ferguson, guitar; Darlene Barrett, cello.

Youth Super Bowl Party @ the Koenemans 6:30 pm

Join us at the Koeneman home at 1388 Trentwood Rd. in UA for a lot of Super fun! We'll have games and activities before the Big Game, then plenty of fun watching both football and the commercials once the game starts. Many of us will be heading home at half-time. Bring a snack or drink to share!

Bible Study 6:30 pm, Room 120

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

THIS WEEK Feb. 8-13

God Talk Tues., Feb 9, 7-9 pm, Old Bag of Nails, UA, Tremont
Topic: “Will The Poor Be With Us Always?” Join us for some good, honest conversation and fellowships as we move back to UA.

Wednesday Prayer Nights 6:30 pm, Feb. 10, Lounge

Covenant Men’s Breakfast Sat., Feb. 13, 8am, Kingsdale First Watch
Join other Covenant men every second Sat. for breakfast. Call Allan Kennedy, 451-9318, for information.

Presbytery Youth Retreat @ Camp Akita Feb. 12-14

Come play, learn, worship, and meet new friends from around the Presbytery. Contact Karen ASAP to register.

Next WEEK Feb. 14-20

Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast Sun., Feb. 14, 9-10 am, Fellowship Hall
Watch the flapjacks fly! Chris Cakes will do the flipping, and we’ll have Mardi Gras right here at Covenant in between services. It’s all you can eat (pancakes, sausage and orange juice) for \$4 a person. Children three and under are free. We’ll have prizes, crafts, and laughter galore.

Living Lent with Love Sun., Feb. 14, 9:30 am, Lounge

While you are giving your Mardi Gras pancakes a chance to digest, stop by the Lounge for some help in Living Lent With Love. It’s a sort of Spirituality Bazaar where you can get all kinds of ideas. Ash Wednesday is Feb. 17, and with it we’ll begin 40 days of preparing for the wonder of Easter. Take this time to pay special attention to your discipleship, to all the ways you are growing to become more like Christ and better able to love boldly and love well.

Second Sunday Praise Gathering Sun., Feb. 14, 6 pm, Sanctuary

Spiritual Cinema - Zulu Mon., Feb. 15, 6:30 pm, Lounge

Zulu 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 led by Tracy Keenan and Mike Martin will follow. Contact Beth Askue, askue.1@osu.edu, or Susan Imel, 262-7444 or susanimel1@gmail.com.

LOOKING AHEAD Feb. 21+

“Christians and War: Commitment & Conviction” Feb. 21, 28, March 7

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? We 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.

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. Call Anne or Dick Rorapough, 740-881-9934.

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Mission Interpretation Meeting

Tues., March. 23, 1:30 pm

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.

OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS

Medical Mission to Haiti

Lee Platt, pastor of Glen Echo Presbyterian Church in Columbus, will lead a Medical Mission work trip to Fort Liberle, Haiti, the week of Feb. 12. A team of 31 volunteers, consisting of medical personnel, construction specialists and other experienced volunteers will serve refugees from the disaster areas. Medicines such as antibiotic ointments are still needed. Contact Lee Platt at lelandw@msn.com as soon as possible.

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 and read my reflection on a passage from the bible. New blogs are up by Thursday mornings each week.

SOS Food Pantry Needs Volunteers: We have to shut down the pantry periodically because volunteers have already given their time, yet there are still days in the month not covered. Ten volunteers deliver once a month and five accept calls twice a month. **If we had two additional volunteers**, that would increase our capacity to deliver food to our clients. It takes just about two hours to gather the groceries and deliver them. Thank you for your consideration to participate in this mission. Call me (Gerlinde Lott): 486-8607.

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

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.

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.

Thank you for all your cards, calls and love extended to the Boyer family throughout Chuck's illness and death.

IN SYMPATHY

The sympathies of the Covenant congregation go to the family of Jane Jackson who died Tues., Feb. 2, 2010.

The sympathies of Covenant also go to the family of Earline Edwards who died Wed., Feb. 3, 2010.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Compiled this 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.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Tracy Keenan, Senior Pastor
Karen Ware Jackson, Associate Pastor
Weldon Adams, Minister of Music
Katie Kinnison, Director of Christian Education
Jim Mehler, Parish Associate

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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.