



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8:30 & 11:00 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 27, 2010

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 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

You are the God who works wonders; you have displayed your might among the peoples. Psalm 77:14

THE GATHERING

*GREETINGS and PASSING OF THE PEACE

8:30 Jim Mehler; 11:00 Katie Kinnison

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

People: And also with you.

PRELUDE

“Etude in G# Minor for Solo Flute”

J. Anderson

Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute

CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN NO. 522 “Lord, When I Came into This Life”

Land of Rest

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and ever gracious God, we confess that we have failed to open our hearts to the power of your Spirit. We continue the divisions of Babel, speaking in tongues that confound rather than clarify, hurt rather than heal, separate rather than unite. Though we are not deserving, we pray for the gift of fellowship that confirms your presence among us. Restore our fractured lives that we, with one voice, may ever give you thanks and praise. Amen.¹

*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.*

***PRAYER RESPONSE** “Create in Me a New Heart” Weldon Adams

Unhurried, sustained

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, And put a new Spir - it with in me. Re - store to me the joy, the joy of yoursal - va - tion. Sustain in me a wiHing spir - it, O God, cre - ate in me a clean heart.

11:00 am Service

***AFFIRMATION**

We light a candle and enjoy the flickering light the fragrance and warmth it creates. But without the spark that ignites there will be no flame Without the wax the source of power the wick will not burn Without the flame there will be no fragrance no warmth, no light. And so with us, Lord You are the catalyst that ignites us and the fuel that sustains us You fill us with your fragrance as you enter our lives. You empower us to carry your flame in our hearts To be the fragrance, warmth and light of your love in this dark world.²

TALK WITH CHILDREN

Katie Kinnison

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

Please sign the fellowship pad and pass it to your neighbor.

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 77 OT Page 537
Lay Readers: 8:30 John Harder; 11:00 Morgan Hughes

OLD TESTAMENT 2 Kings 2:1-14 OT Page 332

EXPLORING THE WORD

“The Adventures of Elijah: The Next Generation” Tracy Keenan

ANTHEM 8:30 “Be Not Afraid” Bob Dufford, S.J. Early Birds
11:00 “My Song in the Night” Paul Christiansen Chancel Choir

WRESTLING WITH THE WORD

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “Largo e dolce from Sonata N. 1 in B Minor” J. S. Bach
Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute; Denise Mathias, Piano

*Offertory Response “Doxology” Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

WALKING WITH THE WORD

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 526 “For All the Saints” Sine Nomine

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Amen” Danish

POSTLUDE (You are invited to stay and listen)

8:30 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” arr. Penny Rodriguez
Denise Mathias, Synthesizer

11:00 “Allegro maestoso e vivace from Sonata Op. 65, No. 4 in Bb Major”
Felix Mendelssohn
Denise Mathias, Organ

ANTHEM TEXT

Be Not Afraid Text: Based on Isaiah 43:2-3 and Luke 6:20ff Music: Bob Dufford

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live. Be not afraid,
I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.
If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.
Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men insult and hate you, all because of me, blessed are you!

My Song in the Night Text: Anonymous Music: Southern folk hymn
Arr: Paul Christiansen

O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night, Come to us with thy tender love, my soul's delight.
Unto thee, O Lord, in affliction I call, my comfort by day and my song in the night.
O why should I wander, an alien from thee, or cry in the desert thy face to see,
my comfort and joy, my soul's delight, O Jesus, my Savior, my song in the night.

Guest Organist and Director

Since Weldon is on study leave, Denise Mathias from Dover, OH, is our Guest Organist and Music Director this morning. Denise has a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Malone College in Canton, OH, and a Master of Church Music from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY. For the past eight years, she has been Minister of Music at the First Presbyterian Church in New Philadelphia, OH. Before that she was Co-Minister of Music at the First Presbyterian Church in Ottumwa, Iowa.

She has choral and handbell experience, including conducting choirs of all ages, children through adults. Her playing experience includes performing as soloist and with chamber groups, orchestral playing, and accompanying choral groups as rehearsal accompanist and as performance accompanist. She has also taught music in the public elementary school and to private students of all ages.

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²Affirmation by J. Birch (www.faithandworship.com)

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Ushers: 8:30 Terri Hayes, Mike Hayes, Dianne Annis, Jerry Annis
11:00 Cheryl Buchanan, Jim Buchanan, Lynn Elliott, Jay McLean
Greeters: 8:30 Maggie Broekema, Nancy Cowman, Bob Cowman
11:00 Gail Brown, Betsy Campbell, Dick Campbell, Mona Connolly
Musicians: Denise Mathias, Guest Director/Organist; Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute;
8:30 Early Birds; 11:00 Chancel Choir

TODAY AT COVENANT

The flowers in front of the chancel are given by Ed and Eileen Lazear in celebration of their 64th wedding anniversary..

Adults

- The Forum: *Confronting Death: A Christian Approach to the End of Life*; Tracy Keenan leads, Lounge
- Lay Led Bible Study, Room 121
- Parents share their lives and faith, Room 102

Youth - Help with children or attend an adult class during the summer.

Summer Sunday School - *Parable of the Sower*; Children 3 yrs.-5th grade, Meet 104.

Jason Rea's Ordination Service

Sanctuary, 4pm

Reception following. Child care provided.

Visiting Covenant? To receive our weekly emailed newsletter, send your email address to joanpogalies@covenantpcusa.org.

Youth Softball Double Header

Thompson Park

4pm v. Lane Ave. Baptist (field #2) & 6pm v. Scioto Ridge UMC (field #2)

THIS WEEK June 27-July 3

Stewards of Children Training

Tues., JUNE 29, 6-8:30, Lounge

Did you know that 1 in 6 boys and 1 in 4 girls will be sexually abused before they turn 18? Learn more about how to prevent and respond to child sexual abuse in this training for everyone who cares about children but required for Vacation Bible School leaders, Sunday School teachers, youth advisors, and anyone else who works with children at Covenant.

Clippers Games in June

Wed., June 30, 7 pm

Support our (other) local team! All are welcome. More dates TBA. Call Karen.

Mission Sewing has started a new project and needs help. If you like to sew or quilt or would like to learn, join us. Meet every Tuesday from 1-3 p, Room 121 (except for Vacation Bible School week). Call Diana Sanders 847-4431 or just come.

NEXT WEEK July 4-10

No Primetimer's Event in July

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LOOKING AHEAD July 11+

The Deacons Blood Drive **Mon., July 12, 1-6pm, Fellowship Hall**

The need for blood is always great around the 4th of July holiday. To donate, contact Lou Ann Doub, 488-3919, go on line www.givelife.org and enter "covenant" as the sponsor code, or sign up between the services.

Youth Softball Dates **Thompson Park**

- July 18 - 4pm v. Linworth UMC (field #1)
- July 25 - DOUBLE HEADER
- 4pm v. Bethel UMC (field #1) - 6pm v. Meadow Pk. Church (field #1)
- Aug. 8 - Tournament • Aug. 15 - 4pm Championship Game

Summer Spiritual Cinema **Mon., July 19, 6:30 pm, Lounge**

Spiritual Cinema will continue with *Freedom Riders*.

Clippers Games in July **Fri., July 23, 7 pm**

Support our (other) local team! All are welcome. More dates TBA. Call Karen.

Peacemaking Seminar **Aug. 25-28, Abiquiu, NM**

"Re-membling Peace: Still the Believer's Calling" will bring together those concerned for the things that make for peace. Information and register online www.pcusa.org/peacemaking/conference/2010.htm.

CPW Dates **Thurs., Aug. 26**

Portsmouth First Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery annual retreat and Bible study preparation.

CPW Annual Garage Sale **Oct. 1-2 (Set-up begins Mon., Sept. 27)**

Donate items to the annual CPW Garage Sale. *Please do not leave items at the church until Sept. 27!* This year there will be a table for handcrafted items with 100% of the income going to the Mission Pledge of Presbyterian Women for the General Mission Fund of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Your craft items will be welcome.

2010 Presbytery of Scioto Valley Adult Mission Work Trip **Oct. 9-16**

This trip will be a hands-on project to do basic construction and work in poverty relief areas in Appalachia. If you are interested in participating in this mission work trip, email Jeannie Harsh, Jeannie@psvonline.org. Application forms and detailed information will be available soon at www.psvonline.org.

OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS

Seeds of Hope Community Garden: Take a stroll through the lush garden filled with fresh produce and hope for hungry families!

Update on Search for New Music Director

As all Covenant members should know, Weldon Adams, our beloved Minister of Music will be retiring at the end of September. Covenant's Session established a Committee in March to search for a new full-time Music Director (or a part-time Music Director plus a part-time organist). Committee members are: Co-chairs - Nancy Davidson, Rudy Vasquez; Secretary - Charlotte Sharpe; Members - Lisa Dale-Press, Amy Kendall, Cora Kuyvenhoven, Bob Tannehill. Job descriptions were prepared, committee procedures developed, and ads were placed. Through June 5 (the date after which no further applications have been accepted), the Committee had received nearly 30 applications. We reviewed resumes for all applicants, and interviewed, auditioned, and checked references of those that would best meet the needs of Covenant. We have been very impressed with the quality →

of many of the candidates and are excited about the potential of the music program here at Covenant. We are striving now to find the person (or people) that will best continue the tradition of excellence to which we are accustomed. We will continue this process until we have successfully identified the best match for Covenant's music program, congregation, and worship. The Music Director Search Committee asks that Covenant members keep us in your prayers.

Our SOS Food Pantry is in need of these items: cereal, canned fruit, macaroni & cheese, canned baked beans and corn, Tuna Helper, peanut butter, jam, tea, soap, toothpaste, and soups. Help with deliveries; Call Lou Ann Doub, 488-3919, or Gerlinde Lott, 486-8607.

Challenge Match Grant! Covenant has been an active supporter of COMPASS for many years. COMPASS has been honored with an anonymous \$15,000 challenge match grant. Donations received before Sept 1 will be matched dollar for dollar. Note on the memo line of your check "challenge match." Mail donations to COMPASS, Broad St. Presbyterian Church, 760 East Broad St., Columbus, OH 43205.

Collecting Spring/Summer Clothing. Donate gently used spring/summer clothing and socks to COMPASS, being collected by Covenant deacons who will deliver them to COMPASS downtown.

COMPASS also needs full-size toiletries: soap, shampoo, tooth brushes/paste, deodorant, razors. Put donations in the baskets in the narthex.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

...to Harrison Gardner who will be 85 on July 2.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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| Olive Adams | Bob Bartels | Bob Basford | Dan Belville |
| Marie Bernays | Eleanor Calvary | Kristin Ware Cooper | Mildred Furney |
| Pauline Grehl | Carmen Hoffman | Birdine Lint | Evan Lockhart |
| Mary Marshall | Fred Mills | Jan Morris | Sandy McCloud |
| Judy Sechler | Morgan Smathers | Phyllis Tate | Sally Tate |
| Whitney Von Voigt | Ann White | Marvin White | Steve White |

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.

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.