

## COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8:30 & 11:00 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nov. 8, 2009

32nd 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.

### THE GATHERING

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\*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 “Adagio from Toccata and Fugue in C” J.S. Bach  
Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute; Sean Ferguson, Guitar

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 376 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Hyfrydol

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Almighty God, you are almighty and we are not. But we still tend to think that we know best and that our way should prevail. Help us to seek and work for your will. Holy God, you are holy and we are not. But still, we like to think that we do not need forgiveness or grace, and that it is others who are wrong, annoying, selfish, and difficult. Help us to see the part we play and to be both honest and loving. Comforting God, you tell us, “Be not afraid,” but we tremble behind walls built to protect our fragile and useless egos. Help us to dismantle all those things we do to save face, to protect self-image, or to cater to our own comfort at the expense of others. Forgiving God, help us to place our trust in you. Where else ought we to place it? In life and in death, we belong to you. Alleluia. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

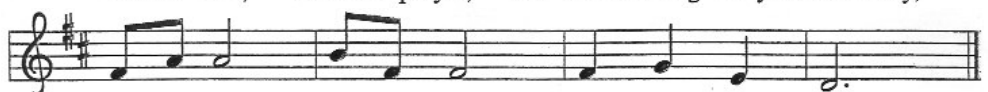
Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel!

**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.*

11:00 am Service  
 \*A STATEMENT OF FAITH Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)  
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen**

**BAPTISM OF EMMA SUSAN FAULKNER** See Insert  
*We encourage children to stay with us in worship and 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.

**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**

ANTHEM	11:00 "I Surrender All"	Mark Hayes Chancel Choir
OLD TESTAMENT	I Kings 17:8-24 Lay Readers: 8:30 Steve St. Martin; 11:00 Jane McLean	OT Page 324
NEW TESTAMENT	Mark 12:38-44	NT Page 49
SERMON	"What We Do for Love" 8:30 Jim Mehler Preaching 11:00 Tracy Keenan Preaching	

**RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

Offertory	"What I Did for Love"	Marvin Hamlisch Roberta Adams, Soloist; Early Birds; Chancel Choir; Ollie Yohn, Director; Paula White, Pianist
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\*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. 391 "Take My Life" Hendon

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Amen" Danish

POSTLUDE "Nuevo Mundo (New World)" Astor Piazzolla  
 (You are invited to stay and listen) Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute; Sean Ferguson, Guitar

**ANTHEM TEXTS** *What I Did for Love*

**Text: Edward Kleban Music: Marvin Hamlisch Arr.: Mac Huff**  
 Kiss today goodbye, the sweetness and the sorrow. What we did we had to do, and I can't regret what I did for love. Look, my eyes are dry, the gift was ours to bor-

row. It's as if we always knew, but I won't forget what I did for love. Gone, love is never gone, as we travel on, love's what we remember. Kiss today goodbye, and point me to tomorrow. Wish me luck, the same to you. Kiss today goodbye.

*I Surrender All*

**Text: Judson W. van de Venter Music: Winfield S. Weeden Arr. by Mark Hayes**  
 All to Jesus I surrender, all to him I freely give, and I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live. I surrender all, I surrender all; All to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all. All to Jesus I surrender, make me, Savior, wholly thine; Let me feel thy Holy Spirit, truly know that thou art mine. I surrender all, I surrender all; All to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all... All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to thee: Fill me with thy love and thy power, let thy blessing fall on me. I surrender all, I surrender all; All to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all. Jesus, I can trust in you. How I want to do your will; Come and take complete control, come and heal my wounded soul. I surrender all.

**HYMN NOTES**

The idea for "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" was taken from a popular song by the poet Dryden, "Fairest isle, all isles excelling." Its theme is the great thread of divine love which runs through all of Charles Wesley's hymns. After a prayer addressed to Christ to dwell within our lives, the hymn turns to the theme of sanctification: God's "great salvation" is sufficient to deliver a Christian from the power as well as the guilt of sin (II Corinthians 5:17). Thus we are "going on to perfection," being "changed from glory into glory" (II Corinthians 3:18). "Hyfrydol," composed by Rowland Hugh Prichard in 1831, is one of many fine Welsh tunes which have made their mark on hymnody. The melody uses only the first five notes of the scale until on the first beat of the third measure from the end it rises to the sixth note of the scale. This means that the entire hymn is written in a very comfortable singing range. Prichard was a gifted song leader and tune writer from Bala, Wales. This tune was written before he turned 20 and was included in a collection of his tunes in 1844. He worked as an assistant to the loom tender in the Welsh Flannel Manufacturing Company's mill.

Frances Havergal (1836-1879), during a visit with friends, prayed that God would use her witness to win all ten members of the family to Christ. "Before I left the house everyone had got a blessing," she wrote. On the last night of her visit 12 couplets came to her mind dealing with true consecration, which involves mind, body, words, deeds, intellect, will, money, possession and the whole self. The final couplet integrates and summarizes these with "Ever, only, all for Thee!" to complete "Take My Life and Let It Be."

**TODAY'S MUSIC**

Ollie Yohn holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Otterbien College. For many years she sang with the Chancel Choir as Soprano soloist. Ollie participated in the Westerville Songspinners, and later, founded and directed the Arlingtowne Singers. The Arlingtowne Singers involved many of the musicians from Covenant as well as singers from the community. Today we welcome Ollie back into the choir as Director of "What I Did for Love." Paula White was the accompanist for Arlingtowne Singers.

**PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP**

**Ushers:** 8:30 Dick Sharpe, Mark Owen, Betsy Owen, Tim Scott

11:00 Frank Croft, Mike Davis, Bob Tullett, Sandy Tullett

**Greeters:** 8:30 Linda Billman, Betty Rupp, Joan Sanford

11:00 Gail Brown, Betsy Campbell, Dick Campbell, Mona Connolly

**Musicians:** Rodolfo Vazquez, Flute; Sean Ferguson, Guitar; Roberta Adams, Soloist; Ollie Yohn Director; Paula White, Pianist; 8:30 Early Birds; 11:00 Chancel Choir

**TODAY AT COVENANT**

The flowers in the chancel are given by the Reinhart and Trodoux families in honor of their mother, Lillian A. Stenson's 97th birthday.

**Adults**

- The Forum: "Everything Must Change" - Willem Kogeler & Katie Kinnison
- Parents share their lives and faith, Room 102

**Youth** - "The Gospel according to Joan of Arcadia" - Karen's Office

**Treasure Finders** - Children three years through fifth grade gather in Room 104

**2nd Sunday Evening Service, Jim Mehler Preaching 6pm, Sanctuary**

**Youth Sub Sale Continues Today**

The youth will be selling 22" subs for \$10 to raise money for mission. Buy today and next Sunday. Pick them up on Sat. Nov. 21 from 9-10 am to have for the game, or after church on Nov. 22.

**Darkness2Light**

**12:30-3:30 pm**

This three-hour class led by Katie is part of our congregation's commitment to making this place and the world safe for our children. Learn how to recognize and prevent sexual abuse. \$15 for workbooks. Lunch is provided so RSVP to the church office, Karen or Katie. Tough topic, but be brave.

**Play Bridge**

**2 pm, Lounge**

Meet once a month except in Dec. 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. Call Anne or Dick Rorapaugh, 740-881-9934.

**Middle School and High School Youth**

**6-8 pm, Lower Level**

**A pictorial directory** is available for free to each family that has its picture in it. Copies are in the hall and have name labels on covers. See Tracy to buy a copy for \$5. If you DID have a picture taken or submitted and did not find a directory with your name on it, tell Tracy about that, too!

**Bible Study**

**7:00 pm, Room 120**

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

**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.

**THIS WEEK**

**"God Talk" Tues., Nov. 10, 7 pm, Old Bag of Nails, Old Hilliard, Main St.**  
 "Worship: Is there a right or a wrong way?" How do we worship: what feels meaningful and what feels empty? Join us for honest conversation and fellowship!

**Wednesday School**

**7-8:30 pm, Lounge & 120**

Class continues through Nov. 18: *The New Testament*. A 30-minute DVD by Professor Bart Ehrman, Chair of Religious Studies, The University of NC offers a way to become better at finding the Word of God in and through the words of the Bible. Charlotte Sharpe leads the discussions.

**Covenant Men's Breakfast**

**Sat., Nov. 14, 8 am, First Watch**

Join us for breakfast the second Sat. of each month. Call Allan Kennedy, 451-9318.

**Honduras Mission Trip is Nov. 24-Dec.1, But Donations Still Needed**

The group is collecting donations for the wish list. Contact Karen.

**Support COMPASS through the United Way**

COMPASS is an approved agency for the United Way of Central Ohio's donor Choice Program for the '09 campaign, Those choosing to designate COMPASS on the UW pledge card need to write in COMPASS, 760 E. Broad St., 43205, 221-6552, and use "99" as the agency code.

**Help With Peanut Brittle**

Help make peanut brittle. Work 2-1/2 hour shifts, morning or afternoon, once a

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week. Call Ruth Adams, 336-0194. Continue bringing sugar and margarine (65% vegetable oil or more) to the kitchen. Peanut brittle (\$6); Cashew brittle (\$7.50).

**The SOS Food Pantry needs** canned baked beans, corn and green beans, cereal, jam, peanut butter, macaroni/cheese, tuna, main dish for one person. If you can help with deliveries, call Gerlinde Lott, 486-8607 or Lou Ann Doub, 488-3919.

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

**Open Shelter needs** plastic containers with lids for food for our homeless friends. Place in the Open Shelter kitchen cupboard. It's good for recycling.

## NEXT WEEK

### Food Ingathering for SOS

Sun., Nov. 15

Many people are struggling in these tough economic times and Jesus commanded us to feed the hungry. So plan to bring non-perishable items for the Ingathering during the worship services. Volunteers for deliveries are still needed. Contact Gerlinde Lott, 486-8607.

### Thanksgiving All-Church Potluck Sun., Nov., 15, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Join the Thanksgiving All-Church Potluck with Tracy Keenan and Dave Powers providing "Music in Worship from the National PW Gathering." \$4 per person, \$12 per family. Turkey, gravy and rolls provided. The rest of the meal is thankfully received by everyone bringing a dish to share. Betsy will take reservations after the service. The Thank Offering, quilt drawing and Fair Trade sale will be taking place. Primetimers are invited to sit together.

### Spiritual Cinema: "Young at Heart" Mon., Nov. 16, 6:30 pm, Lounge

This is a charming documentary about an older adult chorus that performs contemporary and classic rock and pop songs. A discussion led by Susan Imel will follow. Contact Beth Askue, askue.1@osu.edu or Susan Imel, susanimel1@gmail.com or 262-7444.

### Advent Event & Advent Devotionals Sun., Nov. 22, 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Our whole church family and anyone you can think of to include is hereby invited to our annual Advent Event: a joyful morning of crafts, food and fellowship to eagerly anticipate our remembrance of God coming to earth in the person of a baby born in the province of Galilee some 2,000 years ago. Begin your holidays with a true center – the eager expectation of God doing amazing things! And don't forget to pick up your copy of Covenant's annual Advent Devotional, a collection of scripture readings and reflections by our Covenant brothers and sisters in Christ.

### Adopt-A-Family – Christmas Ministry

Form groups to adopt a family and give wrapped new toys and clothing for children, and gifts for adults. The Salvation Army will identify needy families by mid-Nov. Deacons contribute gift cards for Kroger's. Let us know if interested so we know how many families we can serve. Write checks to *Covenant* marked for Adopt-A-Family. Contact Jay McLean, 457-9177 (h), 209-7314 (c), or Ed Chung, 459-9011.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Annual Meeting of the Congregational Corporation Sun., Nov. 22, 12 pm

The Session of Covenant Presbyterian Church, in accordance with the By Laws of the Congregation, calls the congregation to a meeting in the Sanctuary for the purpose of hearing and acting on the report of the Church Officer Nominating Committee.

The slate of officers to be presented for: Elder, Class of 2012 (3 year term): Tom Bill-



man; Betsy Hayes; Morgan Hughes; Terry Kennedy Mancini; Cathy Levy; Peter McGeoch; Rusty Miller and Tori Vazquez; Deacon, Class of 2012 (3 year term): Carol Carr; David Connolly; Gail Griffin; Terri Hayes; Jay McLean; Katy Nowels and Carol Petro; for Youth Deacon, Class of 2010 (1 year term): Madeleine Connolly and Abby Kinnison; for Church Nominating Committee, Class of 2011 (2 year term): Kim Halsey; David Koeneman; Charlotte Sharpe; Dave Timmons and Linda VanAman. A display with photographs and biographical information about nominees is in the main hall. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Those persons so nominated, must have been contacted in advance about their willingness to serve if elected. Childcare will be available in Room 112.

### Spirituality Center Sunday Mornings Begins Sun., Nov. 29, 8am-1pm, Chapel

A Spirituality Center will be open during the season of Advent. We'll offer different opportunities for prayer and reflection. Listen for God in new ways. Let this season of waiting for Christ to come be a season of learning to welcome him when he does.

### Good Book in Nov. NOTE NEW DATE: Sun., Nov. 29, 12:30 pm, Lounge

Sarah Vowell's The Wordy Shipmates is about the Puritans and their journey to America. Copies are in the hall. RSVP to Katie by Fri., Nov. 20 if you want lunch.

### Hanging of the Greens

Sun., Nov. 29, 5 pm, Fellowship Hall

We will be decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas seasons. There will be bows to tie, wreaths to hang, crèche scenes to set up, garlands to hang, trees to assemble, and tasks for many hands. Join us as we prepare the way of the Lord.

### Variety Show 2010

Feb. 20

The CPW Variety Show is scheduled for Feb. 20, with the theme "New Orleans." If interested in being a part of the show, contact Tracy.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Bob Bartels	Bob Basford	Dan Belville	Marie Bernays
Chuck Boyer	Katherine Davis	Charlene Evans	Susan Fromkes
Mildred Furney	Mary Jane Greegor	Pauline Grehl	Blake Haxton
Jane Jackson	Birdine Lint	Evan Lockhart	Mary Marshall
Sandy McCloud	Lauren Mitchell	Marion Sanford	Jean Scherr
Judy Sechler	Richard Smathers	Robert Spencer	Phyllis Tate
Vera Tongue	Whitney Von Voigt		

Compiled Tues., Nov. 3. 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:

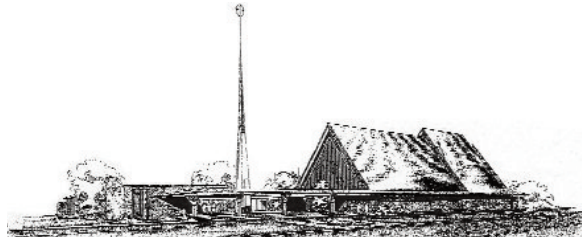
- worship that inspires,
- nurture that embraces,
- education that challenges,
- fellowship that energizes,
- ministry that responds.



#### 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.



## BAPTISM AT COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterians believe that God's love for us is given to us in grace even before we can possibly understand or respond to it. So it is appropriate for children and infants to be received in baptism, even though they may be too young to comprehend the sacrament itself. Baptism is a once-in-a-lifetime rite, but we are called to remember it again and again throughout our lives.

Family and community are the most powerful faith-shapers in a child's life. The parents, or primary adults in the child's life, present the child for baptism and affirm their own faith in the loving God of Jesus Christ. They promise to bring up their child in the Christian faith, and the congregation promises, on behalf of the Christian community all over the world, to nurture the child in faith.

It is the church's task to support and encourage parents in the loving upbringing of their children, so that their children may one day claim the love of Christ as mature persons of faith, and that they may grow up to live lives that carry the transforming love of Christ wherever they may go.

We ask the parents:

“Do you desire that your child be baptized?” **(I do.)**

“Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith and to teach that faith to your child?” **(I do.)**

And we ask the congregation:

“Do you, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture this child by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of His Church?” **(We do.)**

We ask the parents:

“What is the Christian name of your child?” **Emma Susan Faulkner**

### **Baptism**

Unison prayer:

**Gracious God, giver of life, you have called us by name,  
and pledged to each of us your faithful love.**

**We pray today for your blessing on this child,  
that you will protect and guide her as she grows in faith.**

**Pour out upon this child your Holy Spirit.**

**Increase in her from day to day your gifts of grace;**

**The spirit of wisdom and understanding; Of counsel, courage, and might;**

**Of knowledge and reverence of God; Of joy and love.**

**Remind us of the promises of our own baptism, and renew our trust in you.**

**Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy,**

**through the power of the Holy Spirit,**

**and through the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN No. 498  
(Please sing verses 1 and 4)

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

Kingdom