



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God
A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 23, 2025

11:00 a.m.

SANCTUARY

Covenant Presbyterian is a dynamic Christian community that gladly invites all people into a transformational experience of faith; boldly proclaims the gospel; bravely works toward a whole and just world; and passionately nurtures discipleship.

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Welcome to Covenant; we are glad you are here. Children are always welcome in worship. Childcare and children's programs (ages 6 weeks to fifth grade) are offered in the Education Wing. Infant soothing rooms with live video of the worship service are available in the balcony and parlor. See an usher for assistance.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Processional on Hymn to Joy. R. Powell

~Bryan Kraak & Michelle Kraak, trumpet~

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (refrain). arr. C. Moglebust

~Grace Notes Bell Choir; Becky Duncan, flute~

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP. Mary Kate Sykes

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come. ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION

Search Me, O God SURSUM CORDA¹

Search me, O God; search me and know my heart;

try me, O God; my mind and spirit try;

keep me from any path that gives you pain,

and lead me in the everlasting way.

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, your thoughts are not our thoughts, nor are your

ways our ways. We live with the burden of guilt and the weight

of sin, but you look at us and see beloved children, broken but

beautiful, sinful yet redeemed. Free us, from our guilt, we pray.

Forgive in us what has gone wrong, Repair in us what is wasted.

Envelope us in grace and send us out as new creations.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (choir and congregation)

God's Mercies Are New Every Day G. Murphy

Choir: Continuous love that will never fail

All: God's mercies are new ev'ry day.

Choir: With God in my life sin cannot prevail

All: God's mercies are new ev'ry day.

ALL (REFRAIN):

God is faithful, Like the morning sunrise;

God is faithful, God's mercies are new ev'ry day.

God's mercies are new ev'ry day. God's mercies are new ev'ry day.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

ENCOUNTER GOD’S WORD

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Katherine Kerr

Following Time with Young Disciples, children are invited to remain in worship with their families or go to Childcare. Children going to Childcare should be accompanied by a parent/guardian to the first floor of the Education Wing.

ANTHEM

God is our Refuge and Strength A. Pote²

God is our refuge and strength, a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.
He is the word. We are his hands. He will lead us.
He is the air. We are his song.
We will celebrate his presence all the day long.
God is our refuge and strength, a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
He is our God in all the earth.
He is the rain. We are the stones. He will cleanse us.
He is the air. We are his song.
We will celebrate his presence all the day long.
God is our refuge and strength, a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
We will not fear. We will not fear. We will not fear.

~ Covenant Choir; Bryan Kraak & Michelle Kraak, trumpet~

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19. New Testament, p. 75

SERMON

“Gratitude: Don’t Forget to Remember”. Bob Henderson
Sermon Series: *Discern. Decide. Declare.*

RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 37**

*Let All Things Now Living*ASH GROVE

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth. C. Moglebust
~Covenant Ringers; Phil Koonce, guitar; Paul Fisher, Dan Hays,
Ingram Hedgpeth, percussion~

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 321, verses 1,3,5

The Church’s One Foundation AURELIA

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Rejoicing arr. S. Drummond Wolff
Bryan Kraak & Michelle Kraak, trumpet

Notes:

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Mary Kate Sykes, pastoral resident, education
Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister, congregational care
Emily Floyd, director of traditional music
Mark Glaeser, organist
Emily Schauer, Covenant ringers director
Covenant Choir
Covenant Ringers
Grace Notes Bell Choir
Emily Reinicker, carillon

Third Grade Bible Presentation

Bibles are presented today in faithful service by Mrs. Velda Dugger Gallegra, who has sponsored this gift since 1997, in memory of her mother Mrs. Bertha Dugger.

WELCOME TO COVENANT

We are happy that you are worshiping with us today. Please fill out one of the Worship Response Cards in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate when finished. All are welcome for fellowship and refreshments in the Circle where today's preaching minister will be glad to greet you.

Interested in joining Covenant? We welcome new members every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building. Feel free to contact our office at 704-333-9071 or email Lora.Borrelli@covenantpresby.org for more information.

Masks are optional in the sanctuary and assistive listening devices are available from the ushers. Audio-induction hearing loops are installed in the sanctuary for use with hearing aids.



Each Sunday, we offer educational and fellowship opportunities in the mornings and evenings for children, youth and adults in the Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. Please see the digital signs in each building for details.

Are you signed up to receive our weekly emails? If not, please contact Lacy King, Communications Manager, at Lacy.King@covenantpresby.org.



Giving a financial gift makes Covenant's programs and ministries possible. You are invited to give generously at www.covenantpresby.org/ways-to-give or by scanning the QR code to give online or by texting a dollar amount to 704-312-7616. We're grateful for your support.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (*As of November 19*)
Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Meagan and Thomas Lineberger on the baptism of
their child Virginia Anne today at 9:30 a.m.

Ashley and Dylan Welchman on the baptism of
their child Rhys Avery today at 9:30 a.m.

NEW MEMBERS

Martin and Diane Bounds

Grace Gardella

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Mack Willis White, Jr.

Elder

May 27, 1928 — November 18, 2025

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, says the Spirit. - Revelation 14:13

OUR SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO

Don and Laura Chamblee and their family on the death of his son
and her brother Donald V. Chamblee Jr. on November 13.

Mack and Mary Virginia White and their family on the death
of his father Mack Willis White, Jr. on November 18.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Walker Morrison

Elaine Scoles

Dottie Stowe

Mary Ann Tilley

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We rely on members of the congregation, friends and relatives to keep us informed of hospitalizations, births and deaths. Please call the church office at 704-333-9071 or email Aisha.Council@CovenantPresby.org. Prayer requests may be submitted on your Worship Response Card, on the website at Connect and Grow > Congregational Care, or to Katherine.Kerr@CovenantPresby.org. A pastor remains on call for emergency situations (death, sudden hospitalizations, etc.). Please call 704-333-9071.

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