



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 21, 2024

9:30 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.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Oh, What A World K. Musgraves, I. Fitchuk, D.K. Tashian¹

Oh, what a world, I don't wanna leave
There's all kinds of magic; it's hard to believe
Oh, what a world, I don't wanna leave
There's all kinds of magic; it's hard to believe
Northern lights in our skies
Plants that grow and open your mind
Things that swim with a neon glow
How we all got here, nobody knows
These are real things
Oh, what a world, don't wanna leave
All kinds of magic all around us; it's hard to believe
Thank God it's not too good to be true
Oh, what a world, and then there is you
Did I know you once in another life?
Are we here just once or a billion times?
Well, I wish I knew, but it doesn't matter
'Cause you're here right now, and I know what I feel
These are real things
Oh, what a world, don't wanna leave
All kinds of magic all around us; it's hard to believe
Thank God it's not too good to be true
Oh, what a world, and then there is you
Oh, and then there is you
These are real things
Oh, what a world, all kinds of magic
Tell me it's not too good to be true
Oh, what a world, and then there is you
Oh, what a world, I don't wanna leave
There's all kinds of magic; it's hard to believe
(And then there is you)

Welcome and Announcements Mary Kate Sykes

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

* *Shall Not Want C. Moore, C. Brown, N. Raine, S. Furtick²*

(worship team and congregation)

*Prayer of Adoration

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy, Holy, HolyPublic Domain

**Holy holy holy, Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy holy holy, Merciful and mighty
God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity**

Assurance of Pardon

Time with Young Disciples

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.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Bob Henderson

**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.**

Minute for Ministry

Camp BuddiesKatie Cornwell

Offering

Everybody Wants To Rule The World . . . I. Stanley, R. Orzabal, C. Hughes³

Welcome to your life
There's no turning back
Even while we sleep
We will find you
Acting on your best behavior
Turn your back on mother nature
Everybody wants to rule the world
It's my own design
It's my own remorse
Help me to decide
Help me make the
most of freedom and of pleasure
Nothing ever lasts forever
Everybody wants to rule the world
There's a room where the light won't find you
Holding hands while the walls come tumbling down
When they do I'll be right behind you
So glad we've almost made it
So sad they had to fade it
Everybody wants to rule the world

I can't stand this indecision
Married with a lack of vision
Everybody wants to rule the world
Say that you'll never never never need it
One headline, why believe it
Everybody wants to rule the world
All for freedom and for pleasure
Nothing ever lasts forever
Everybody wants to rule the world

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture Reading

Mark 2: 21-22..... New Testament, p. 34

Sermon

"Stewardship" Bob Henderson
Sermon Series: *Grounded & Growing*

*Song of Response

What A Beautiful Name B. Fielding, B. Ligertwood⁴
(*worship team and congregation*)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁵
(*worship team and congregation*)

Notes:

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Mary Kate Sykes, pastoral resident, education

Shea Watts, director, contemporary worship and arts

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Jackson Daisley (electric guitar), Paul Fisher (drums), LaVita Hill (vocals), Cheryl Hoover (bass guitar and vocals), Phil Koonce (electric guitar), Ginny Magrath (vocals), Shea Watts (acoustic guitar and keys)

WELCOME TO COVENANT

We are happy that you are worshipping 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. We will gladly host meetings in the Welcome Center upon request.

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 Rosie Strawn, Communications Manager, at Rosie.Strawn@covenantpresby.org.



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CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (As of April 17)

Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Liza and Tom Christy on the baptism of their son John Steven Christy on April 21, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Emily and Griffin Happel on the baptism of their daughters Ruth Nicole Happel and Eloise Mae Happel on April 21, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Rachel Besnoff and Michael Bender on the baptism of their daughter Matilda Gavigan Bender on April 21, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Elvis Makia and Maryline Siewe

OUR SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO

Lisa and Bryant Mende and their family on the death of her mother Magdalene Herring on April 13, 2024.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Sybil Campbell

Nathan Doty

Joe Fountain

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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 Michelle.Williamson@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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