



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 7, 2025

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.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

All The People Said Amen T. Morgan, P. Moak, M. Maher¹

You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need
And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen
If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His son to save us all
Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

Welcome and Call to Worship Katherine Kerr

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**I Thank God* Moses, Butler, Bowe, et al.²
(worship team and congregation)

*Prayer of Adoration

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eagle's Wings R. Morgan³
(worship team and congregation)

**Come live in me, All my life take over
Come breathe in me, And I will rise
On eagle's wings**

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

Assurance of Grace

Time with Young Disciples Courtney Shudak

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.

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

Jireh C. Moore, C. Brown, N. Raine, et al.⁴

I'll never be more loved than I am right now
Wasn't holding You up
So there's nothing I can do to let You down
It doesn't take a trophy to make You proud
I'll never be more loved than I am right now
Going through a storm but I won't go down
I hear Your voice
Carried in the rhythm of the wind to call me out
You would cross an ocean so I wouldn't drown
You've never been closer than You are right now
You are Jireh, You are enough
Jireh, You are enough
And I will be content in every circumstance
You are Jireh, You are enough
Forever enough, always enough
More than enough
I don't wanna forget how I feel right now
On the mountaintop
I can see so clear what it's all about
So stay by my side when the sun goes down
Don't wanna forget how I feel right now
If He dresses the lilies with beauty and splendor
How much more will He clothe you?
If He watches over every sparrow
How much more does He love you?
You are Jireh, You are enough
And I will be content in every circumstance
You are Jireh, You are enough

ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

- Psalm 90. Old Testament, p. 517-518
- Liturgist: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had
formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting
you are God.
- People: You turn us back to dust and say, "Turn back, you mortals."**
- Liturgist: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is
past or like a watch in the night.
- People: You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is
renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is
renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.**
- Liturgist: For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are
overwhelmed.
- People: You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the
light of your countenance.**
- Liturgist: For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to
an end like a sigh.
- People: The days of our life are seventy years or perhaps eighty, if we
are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they
are soon gone, and we fly away.**
- Liturgist: Who considers the power of your anger?
Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.
- People: So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.**
- Liturgist: Turn, O Lord! How long?
- People: Have compassion on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning
with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad
all our days.**
- Liturgist: Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many
years as we have seen evil.
- People: Let your work be manifest to your servants and your
glorious power to their children.**
- Liturgist: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for
us the work of our hands—
- All: O prosper the work of our hands!**

Sermon

"A Wise Heart Knows What Time It Is" Bob Henderson
Sermon Series: *Discern. Decide. Declare.*

*Song of Response

To The Ends Of The Earth. J. Houston and M. Sampson⁵
(worship team and congregation)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

*Benediction Response

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁶

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister
Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister, congregational care
Courtney Shudak, pastoral resident, mission and outreach
Ben Thomas, interim contemporary band leader
Tameka Thomas, interim contemporary worship leader
Ricko Hill, assistant director of contemporary worship and arts

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Paul Fisher (drums), Katrina Heath (vocals), LaVita Hill (vocals),
Jessica Hindman (vocals), Cheryl Hoover (bass guitar and vocals),
Phil Koonce (electric guitar), Zach Leitner (electric guitar), Phil Lyew
(saxophone), Jessica Moss (vocals), Ben Thomas (keys),
Tameka Thomas (vocals)

Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of
Sally Sticher and Patton Goyer.

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. 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 September 3)
Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

CONGRATULATIONS TO
Molly and Joe Garvey on the birth of their child
Henry Tagart Garvey on August 15.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Madison Gobbell
Reilly and Hallie Hovis

SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO
Bruce Buckley and Sarah Crowder and their family on the
death of Bruce's brother Jay Buckley on September 2.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING
Donna Goodwin
Frank Mansfield
Walker Morrison
Dottie Stowe

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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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