



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 25, 2026

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

**Praise* S. Furtick, B. Lake, C. Moore, C. Brown, C. Carnes, P. Barrett²
(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

Assurance of Grace

Time with Young Disciples Bob Henderson

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

Seasons. B. Tan, B. Hastings, C. Davenport⁴

Like the frost on a rose, Winter comes for us all
Oh how nature acquaints us, With the nature of patience
Like a seed in the snow, I've been buried to grow
For Your promise is loyal, From seed to sequoia
Though the winter is long, Even richer the harvest it brings
Though my waiting prolongs
Even greater Your promise for me like a seed
I believe that my season will come
Lord I think of Your love, Like the low winter sun
As I gaze I am blinded, In the light of Your brightness
Like a fire to the snow, I'm renewed in Your warmth
Melt the ice of this wild soul, 'Til the barren is beautiful
I can see the promise, I can see the future
You're the God of seasons, I'm just in the winter
If all I know of harvest, Is that it's worth my patience
Then if You're not done working, God I'm not done waiting
You can see my promise, Even in the winter
'Cause You're the God of greatness, Even in a manger
For all I know of seasons, Is that You take Your time
You could have saved us in a second, Instead You sent a child
And when I fin'ly see my tree, Still I believe there's a season to come
Like a seed You were sown, For the sake of us all
From Bethlehem's soil, Grew Calvary's sequoia

ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Luke 8: 26-39 New Testament, p. 63-64

Sermon

"A Time to Decide: Face the Demons" Grace Lindvall
Sermon Series: *Discern. Decide. Declare.*

*Song of Response

*Battle Belongs. B. Johnson, P. Wickham⁵
(worship team and congregation)*

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

*Benediction Response

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁶

Notes:

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Grace Lindvall, associate minister, education

Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister, congregational care

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

Jackson Daisley (electric guitar), Paul Fisher (drums), Katrina Heath (vocals), Cheryl Hoover (bass guitar and vocals), Phil Koonce (electric guitar), Ginny Magrath (vocals), Ben Thomas (keys), Tameka Thomas (vocals).

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 Lacy King, Communications Manager, at Lacy.King@covenantpresby.org.



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CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (As of January 21)
Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Emily and Kyle Boster, with son Wesley
Charlotte and Richard Hunt

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Candace Carter-Johnson
Deloris Davis
Murray Fadial
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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