

Covenant Presbyterian Church

11:00 a.m.

Austin, Texas

February 3, 2019

PREPARATION

PRELUDE

Hymn to Joy

Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME *Please sign the friendship register at this time and pass it down the row, then return it to its original position, noting the names of those worshipping with you. At the conclusion of the service, take time to greet one another in the name of Christ.*

PRAISING GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises;

All: Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn 59

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:1-6

New Testament, page 842

SERMON

A Focused Life

Jill Williams

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Go to the World!

Hymn 553

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silent confession...) Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy

Craig Phillips

Congregation:



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PARDON

*RESPONSE TO OUR FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father)

Hymn 734

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

* Those who are able, please stand

GIVING OF OURSELVES IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

What Does the Lord Require of You
Journey Youth Choir

Mark Miller

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
God has told you, O mortal what is good.

What does the Lord require of you, I want to know.
Justice! Kindness! Walk humbly with your God!
Micah 6:8

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymn 34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION LITURGY

INVITATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Gather Us In
Journey Youth Choir

Marty Haugen

Matt Williams, Heather Adams, Hannah Sullivan, *soloists*

Here in this place new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
See in this space our fears and our dreamings, brought here to You in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery; we are the old who yearn for your face;
We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; Gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth;
Here You shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is You;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away;
Here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in, all peoples together; fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

See words and music on page 3

Albert Hay Malotte

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Toccata in F Major

Dietrich Buxtehude

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa-ther, which art in heav-en, Hal-low-ed be Thy name. Thy king-dom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly
bread, And for-give us our debts, as we for-give our debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp-
ta - tion but de - liv - er us from e - vil; For Thine is the king - dom, and the
power, and the glo-ry for - ev - er, A - men. A - men.

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Jon Wasson at 8:15, 9:30, 11:00 and 11:05

Lay Liturgists – Melanie Williamson at 8:15, Bretna Hackert at 9:30 and Cindy Young at 11:00

Journey Youth Choir – Stacy Curtis, director and John Wassmuth, accompanist

Organist – John Schmidt

Daniel Izquierdo preaching at 11:30 at Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada en Luyanó (our sister church in Cuba)

Jill Williams preaching at 11:05 in the Contemporary Worship Service

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Vicki and Allen Auth in honor of the first birthday of their grandson, Elijah Allen Key and the birthday of their dad, Edwin Blosdale.

Encouraging one another to follow Jesus wherever we live, work, and play.

COVENANT'S GOT TALENT – Saturday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m. in FE 200.

The 6th Annual church-wide talent show is a fundraiser for Journey Youth Choir mission trips.

Admission at the door is \$15 for ages 13+, \$10 for children. A silent auction will begin at 6:30 in the FE 200 lobby.

Childcare is available. Email childcare@covenant.org to make a reservation.

To learn more, contact Stacy Curtis at scurtis@covenant.org.

ENNEAGRAM WORKSHOP – Saturday, March 1 & 2. This year during Lent Covenant will use the Enneagram as a tool to learn more about ourselves and our relationships with God and others. The Enneagram is an ancient personality typing system that helps identify what motivates or drives us, for better or worse.

To learn more about the enneagram and register for the workshop, go to covenant.org/enneagram.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES – March 6 at noon and 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

A light lunch will be served in FE 200 after the noon service.

Covenant will also impose ashes at its weekly Service of Morning Prayer on Wed. at 7:00 a.m. in FE 100.

For more information about events at Covenant, please see *Covenant Matters*.

NEW TO COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

Welcome! We are thankful you have chosen to worship with us today! Please introduce yourself by signing the red welcome booklet in each pew. Find out more about our community at the coffee bar in FE200 following the service. Our prayer is that Covenant becomes your second family. We want you to feel comfortable here and hope that we can help you find ways to grow in your faith. For more information on Covenant's many groups, programs, and events, head up to the coffee bar in our Fellowship & Education Building to visit with Amy Skaggs or contact her at askaggs@covenant.org. Amy is eager to meet and discuss ways of connecting. You can also find out more by visiting our website at covenant.org.

Four services of worship are offered each Sunday — 8:15 a.m. (a traditional communion service), 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (traditional services) and 11:05 a.m. (contemporary service). A shuttle service carries worshipers from the parking lot at the Texan Eye Center at 5717 Balcones Drive at Northland Drive, two blocks west of campus. Shuttle service runs from 7:55 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

COVENANT PRAYS

Prayers of celebration and joy: Kemper Isabelle Ferguson, born January 16. Parents are Susan Innerarity and Cameron Ferguson. Grandparents are Pam and David Ferguson, Great-grandparents are Eleanor and Dave Ferguson.

Prayers of sympathy and support: Family and friends of Betty Covington, on her death on January 24. Memorial service is scheduled at Covenant at 2:00 p.m. on February 17.

Don Spencer, family and friends, on the death of his son, Michael Spencer, on January 22.

Greg Dvorak, family and friends, on the death of his wife, Denise Dvorak, on January 20.

Judy Cooley, family and friends, on the death of her husband, Chuck Cooley, on January 12. Memorial service will be at Covenant at 2:00 p.m. on February 10.

Recently Hospitalized: Dallas Maham, Bill McGavran.

Prayers for: T.J. Chapman, Suzanne McIntosh, Gloria and Tony Moreno, Helen Paust, Susan Antoniewicz, Bridget Lonseth, Lois Davis, Matt Loessin, Tana Taylor, Louis Anderson, David Phinney, Evelyn Crawford, AJ MacNeill, Jerry Beck, Bob Sebesta, David Pena, Dave Ferguson, Louise Saxon, Jessica Mann Charters, Riley Furlong, Jim Clayton.

Prayers for people serving in our country's armed forces: Lt. Will Beckham, USAF 2LT Gonzalo Hernando, USMC Capt. Katherine Ashton, USA Sgt. Jessica Choe, USA 2LT Ben Smith, USN LCDR Bryan Gunkel, USAF Lt. Katy Deiters, USAF A1C Taylor Cotham, USA Maj. Seth Pruett, USA Capt. Matt Irwin, USN LCDR Austin Wade Latour, USAF Lt. Col. Joseph Chennault, USA SFC Kevin Guy.

Prayers requested by or for our sister church, Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada en Luyanó, in Havana Cuba: Prayers for Melisa Olivera and Silvia Fonden. Thanksgiving that there were no deaths or significant injuries in the congregation cause by the tornado that struck Sunday evening, January 27. Prayers for recovery from extensive damage in the Luyanó and Guanabacoa communities. ¡Señor, en tu misericordia!

Prayers requested by the Mission Committee: Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services and Terry Cole at Street Youth Ministry.

Prayers requested by the Session: Lord, bless those who are exploring membership at Covenant; help us to grow in love and service as you add to our family of faith.

Although prayer requests will be removed from this listing after three weeks, please contact Kay Austin in the church office, 512 334-3030, or kaustin@covenant.org, if prayer continues to be requested.

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