

Covenant Presbyterian Church

9:30 a.m.

Austin, Texas

March 3, 2019

PREPARATION

PRELUDE

Give Me Jesus

Richard Billingham

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.

INTROIT

My Lord, What a Mornin'

African-American Spiritual

The Sanctuary Choir

arr. H.T. Burleigh

My Lord what a mornin' when the stars begin to fall.

Revelation 8:10

PRAISING GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 27

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation.

People: The Lord is our stronghold and our strength.

Leader: Our hearts shall not fear.

People: For our God is faithful to His people!

All: Come and let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

My Lord! What a Morning

Hymn 537

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION

Give Me Jesus

Traditional

The Sanctuary Choir

arr. L.L. Fleming

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silent confession...) We confess, gracious God, that we often rob our faith of its future. We try to avoid the uncertainties of our tomorrows by our nostalgia for the security of our yesterdays, or by our preoccupation with life's immediacies. Forgive us for letting life merely happen to us and for living without a firm confidence in Christ's lordship over the future. Lead us in ways that point us to the coming of your Kingdom. May we point others to it as well. We pray all of this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Soon Ah Will Be Done

William L. Dawson

The Sanctuary Choir

Soon I will be done with the troubles of the world, going home to live with God.

I want to meet my mother, I'm going to live with God.

No more weeping and a wailing, I'm going to live with God.

I want to meet my Jesus, I'm going to live with God. Soon I will be done...

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymn 34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

** Those who are able, please stand*

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12:22-34

New Testament, page 847

SERMON

An Unfailing Treasure

Thomas Daniel

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Hymn 481

COMMUNION LITURGY

INVITATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

A Land That Is Fairer Than Day
(*The Sweet By and By*)
The Sanctuary Choir
Tammy Linn, *violin*

Joseph P. Webster (1819-1875)
setting by Tom Mitchell

There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar;
For the Father waits over the way, to prepare us a dwelling place there.
We shall sing on that beautiful shore the melodious songs of the blessed;
And our spirits shall sorrow no more, not a sigh for the blessing of rest.

In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.

We shall sing on that beautiful shore...
Sanford Fillmore Bennett (1838-1898)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Albert Hay Malotte

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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*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

My Lord, What a Morning

Raymond H. Haan

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

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

Lay Liturgists – Melanie Dixon at 8:15, Cheryl Banks at 9:30 and Cindy Young at 11:00

The Sanctuary Choir – Louise Avant, Interim Director

Organist – John Schmidt

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

Thomas Daniel preaching at 11:05 in the Contemporary Worship Service

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by JoAnn and Brian Sparks in memory of husband and father, Allen Sparks, on his birthday.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Moreno and Funk families, in loving memory of Gloria Moreno.

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

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.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL – If you're looking for a Lenten practice of prayer and scripture reading, we invite you to pray and read with us every day by subscribing to the daily devotional email: covenant.org/dailydevo.

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: Benjamin Timothy Thomas, born February 13. Parents are Courtney and Josh Thomas. Great-grandparents are Shirley and Phil Thomas.

John Henry "Hank" Beacham, born January 29. Parents are Abby and Bo Beacham.

Prayers of sympathy and support: Shirley and Phil Thomas, family and friends, on the death of their son, Tim Thomas, on February 17.

Tony Moreno, family and friends, on the death of his wife, Gloria Moreno, on February 11. Memorial service is scheduled at Covenant at 2:00 p.m. today, March 3.

Prayers for: T.J. Chapman, Lou Heenan, Rebekah Urban, Helene Maham, Jeff Rogers, Sr., Larry Madson, Bill McGavran, Charlie and Sydney Luellen, Helen Paust, Bridget Lonseth, Lois Davis, Matt Loessin, Tana Taylor, Louis Anderson, Priscilla and David Phinney, Evelyn Crawford, AJ MacNeill, 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: Continued prayers for Melisa Olivera and Silvia Fondén. Thanksgiving for brothers and sisters walking beside us in tornado disaster recovery efforts. ¡Alabanzas al Señor!

Prayers requested by the Mission Committee: Covenant Refugee Welcome Teams and Terry Cole at Street Youth Ministry.

Prayers requested by the Session: God, as we enter the season of Lent this week, help us to repent as we prepare our hearts and our minds for the events of Holy Week.

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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