

# Covenant Presbyterian Church

11:00 a.m.

Austin, Texas

May 19, 2019

## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

PRELUDE

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*  
Destiny Tritle

arr. Cindy Berry

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.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 91:2, Romans 10:9, 13

Leader: Let us worship God.

**People: "He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust."**

Leader: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord,"  
and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

**People: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."**

Leader: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts,  
confessing him with our mouths, worshipping him in spirit and in truth.

**All: Let us worship our great God!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*God Is Here!*

Hymn 1

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*(silent confession...)* **Holy and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, consumed by our own concerns. God of grace, have mercy on us, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

RESPONSE

*Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)*

*Russian Orthodox*



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*

ANTHEM

*I Will Rise* Tomlin, Reeves, Giglio and Maher  
 The Sanctuary Choir arr. Craig Courtney and Lynda Hassler  
 Elizabeth Avant Gilligan, Sarah LeNoir and Omen Safavi, *trio*

There's a peace I've come to know though my heart and flesh may fail.  
 There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well."

*Refrain:* Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.  
 The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.  
 And I will rise when He calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain,  
 I will rise on eagle's wings.  
 Before my God fall on my knees and rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light.  
 And the shadows disappear and my faith shall be my eyes. *Refrain.*

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"  
 And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"  
 I will rise when He calls my name...  
 I will rise.

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

SCRIPTURE *I Corinthians 7:17* New Testament, page 930

SERMON *Begin Where You Are* Jon Wasson

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE *The Summons* Hymn 350

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Bound for the Promised Land* American Folk Hymn  
 The Sanctuary Choir arr. Mack Wilberg

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye,  
 To Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie.  
 There generous fruits that never fail on trees immortal grow;  
 There rocks and hills and brooks and vales with milk and honey flow.

*Refrain:* I am bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land,  
 O who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land.

O the transporting rapturous scene that rises to my sight,  
 Sweet fields arrayed in living green and rivers of delight.  
 When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?  
 When shall I see my Father's face and in His bosom rest? *Refrain.*

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymn 34

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

\*PARTING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* Hymn 502

\*BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE *Be Thou My Vision* Paul Manz

## **Covenant Graduating Seniors of 2019**

Heather Adams, Walt Alexander, Brett Allen, Elena Aventa, Lara Bell, Courtney Bengtson, Maggie Bishop, Landry Caver, Emma Erben, Hayden Esterak, Logan Foust, Nathan Ging, Kia Gould, Jack Goulet, Henry Hargrave, Isabella Hernandez, Jenna Johnson, Audrey Kaufmann, Jacqueline Kim, Matt Loessin, Rehm Maham, Lauren Maunder, Ian McIntosh, Noah Newman, Grace Northway, Katy O'Brien, Carter Raney, Paul Raper, Mackenzie Remaley, Grant Riley, Sterling Rowan, Megan Sanders, Ellen Schnoor, Jules Sease, Lillian Sease, Gracie Smith, Bo Thompson, Destiny Tritle, Katelyn Tullos, Lael Weatherby, Anna Whitehead, Colby Woelfel, Natalie Youngblood, Lily Zachry

## **Assisting in Worship**

Jill Williams at 8:15 and 11:00, Thomas Daniel at 9:30, Billy Streu at 9:30

Lay Liturgists – Jean Brender at 8:15, Rehm Maham at 9:30, Frank Sheppard at 11:00

The Sanctuary Choir – Louise Avant, Interim Director

Organist and Pianist – John Schmidt, Pianist – John Wassmuth

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

Mark Roberts preaching at 11:05 in the Contemporary Worship Service

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Melanie and Johnny Williamson in gratitude for 16 years of marriage and in celebration of Travis Duck's graduation from Vanderbilt University.*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by June and Jerry Beck on their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on May 22.*

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

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**SPRING CONCERT** – The GraceNotes Vocal Ensemble and The Sanctuary Choir  
will present a spring concert today, Sunday, May 19 at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Come join us for an afternoon of wonderful music. You'll hear an array of anthems of the church, hymns, spirituals and more, including the works of Mozart, Dan Forrest, Mark Patterson, Anton Bruckner, and Moses Hogan.

**SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES** – On May 26th, the summer worship schedule begins:  
Two traditional worship services at 8:15 and 9:30 and a contemporary service at 11:05 a.m.

**LIFE FOR LEADERS** – If you would like to grow in your workplace discipleship,  
check out *Life for Leaders*, the daily devotional written by Mark Roberts and his team from Fuller Seminary.  
*Life for Leaders* will help you connect God, work, Scripture, and all of life through biblical reflection and prayer.  
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2. Visiting [depree.org](http://depree.org) and clicking on "Subscribe" in the upper right hand corner of the page.

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 worshippers 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:** Warren Ashton Archer, born May 13. Parents are Jennie and Nate Archer. Grandparents are Susan and Dave Ashton, Great-grandfather is Richard Swallow, and aunts are Sarah Stresing and Katherine Ashton.

Meredith Ann Lipscomb, born April 16. Parents are Mandi and Chuck Lipscomb.

**Prayers of sympathy and support:** Kazzye and Kurt Martens, family and friends, on the death of Kurt's mother, Darla Martens, on May 9.

Betty McChristian, family and friends, on the death of her husband, Clarence McChristian, on April 28.

**Prayers for recently hospitalized:** Tom Kelman.

**Prayers for:** Jim McNabb, Jerry Noel, Pat Noel, Mary Margaret Willman, Scott Trull, Mike Aycock, Marv Hackert, Hazel Nichols, Peyton Zachry, Claire Williams, Lynn Beierle, Jane Hoffman, Tom Murphy, Kay Sockol, John Erlewine, Marie Burns, Lou Heenan, Rebekah Urban, Laurel Ross, Ray Husted, Dick McCracken, Jeff Rogers, Sr., Larry Madson, Bill McGavran, Bridget Lonseth, Tana Taylor, Louis Anderson, Priscilla and David Phinney, Bob Sebesta, David Pena, Dave Ferguson, Jessica Mann Charters, Riley Furlong.

**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 Lt. Col. 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:** For Pastor Izquierdo y Demetrio Lemus. For the grave and very difficult situation in Cuba. Grant the church wisdom to bear witness and hope. Our hope is in the Lord.

**Prayers requested by the Mission Committee:** Covenant Refugee Welcome Teams and Skip Crowe at Search Ministries.

**Prayers requested by the Session:** Gratitude for the many musical groups that enhance our worship at Covenant.

*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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