Covenant Presbyterian Church

8:15 a.m. Austin, Texas August 4, 2019

PREPARATION

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 worshiping with you. At the conclusion of the service, take time to greet one another in the name of Christ.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

Prelude

PRAISING GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Wait for the Lord, like those who hope in God's mercy.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Watch for God, like those who eagerly await the morning.

People: We watch for God, whose power redeems us.

Leader: Hear God's hopeful word, like those who long for pardon.

All: Sing praise to God and rejoice in God's love.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners! Hymn 90

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silent confession...) Holy God, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness. We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness, then repeat our errors. We experience your grace, then act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in hard times. We have become confused and misguided. Forgive our every fault. Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PARDON

*RESPONSE TO OUR FORGIVENESS Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father) Hymn 734

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 16:13-23

New Testament, page 798

SERMON HOW TO BE YOURSELF Jon Wasson

Sin Boldly

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Break Now the Bread of Life Hymn 665

^{*} Those who are able, please stand

COMMUNION LITURGY

INVITATION

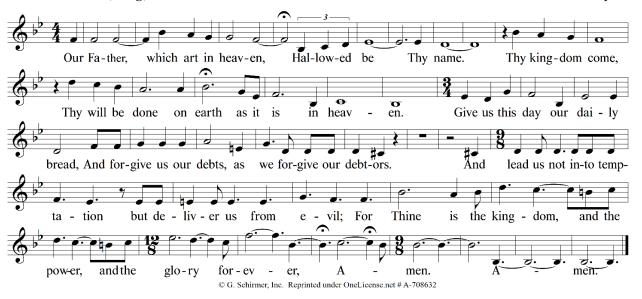
PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Albert Hay Malotte



*BLESSING

*Postlude

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Thomas Daniel at 8:15, 9:30 and 11:05

Lay Liturgists – Bill Taylor at 8:15, Alice Sessi at 9:30

Pianists - Michael Shuman and John Schmidt

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

Jon Wasson preaching at 11:05 in the Contemporary Worship Service

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

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

COVENANT SUMMER – Want a quick look at the key events happening at Covenant this summer? We've put the highlights on an easy-to-access webpage. Visit **covenant.org/summer2019**.

SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES – the summer worship schedule of three services will continue through August 11. Two traditional worship services at 8:15 and 9:30 and a contemporary service at 11:05 a.m.

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.

Three worship services are offered each Sunday this summer through August 18-8:15 a.m. (traditional communion service), 9:30 a.m. (traditional service) 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: Miller Alan Spencer, born June 13. Parents are Caroline and Kyle Spencer.

Prayers of sympathy and support: Julie and Gary Stillwell, family and friends, on the death of Julie's father, Tom Murphy, on August 1.

Emily and David McGinnis, family and friends, on the death of Emily's mother, Barbara Way, on July 10.

Prayers for recently hospitalized: Pat Beckham, Eleanor Ferguson.

Prayers for: Hank Beacham, Glenda Vander Laan, Susan Zatopek, Claire Williams, Marc Smith, Helen Paust, Gail Ross, Mieke Varenbrink, Jim McNabb, Marv Hackert, Hazel Nichols, Marie Burns, Lou Heenan, Rebekah Urban, Dick McCracken, Jeff Rogers, Sr., Larry Madson, Bill McGavran, 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: USA 1LT 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, USA SFC Kevin Guy.

Prayers requested by or for our sister church, Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada en Luyanó, in Havana Cuba: For Alejandría y Silvia. For David Leal and Mercedes Conil as they mourn the death of their son Pupito. (Pat and Margene Beckham have been guests in their home in 1999 and prayer partners in 2015.) Grant the church the wisdom to bear witness to hope in the Lord particularly in this grave and very difficult season in Cuba.

Prayers requested by the Mission Committee: The Word at Work-Belize Mission Partner and Chris Fisher at East Austin Younglife.

Prayers requested by the Session: God, help all of us to be conscious of the height and depth and breadth of your love for all creation.

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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