

The *GOSPEL* in *MOTION*

PART IV

THE HOPE WITHIN US

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian!

We are glad to welcome you to worship. We know that “church” doesn’t just happen in a building. That’s why our mission is to build a community that is encouraging one another to follow Jesus wherever we live, work, and play. We have had this focus since we were founded in 1960, when we first began showing our love for Jesus by serving Austin and the world.

About Today's Service

Gospel in Motion

This program year, Covenant has embarked on a year-long journey through the Book of Acts, Luke's sweeping account of how the Gospel first took root and spread beyond all boundaries. This remarkable narrative follows the early church as it moves from Jerusalem into the wider world, watching ordinary believers become empowered carriers of an extraordinary message. The Spirit transforms fishermen into preachers, skeptics into missionaries, and scattered communities into a unified movement that would change history.

Structured in four parts with intentional pauses for Advent and Lent, this series invites us to trace that ancient movement while discovering how the same Spirit continues to call, equip, and send us into our world today. Together, we'll explore not just what happened then, but what God is doing now and how we're part of that ongoing story.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Scott Midgett in loving memory of Katherine Midgett.

Assisting in Worship

ASSISTING Rehm Maham (8:15), Peter Graves (9:30), Jill Williams (9:30 & 11:00)

ORGANIST Michael Shuman

20-MINUTE CHOIR Elizabeth Gilligan, director (9:30)

WORSHIP BAND Jerry Wise, director (11:00)

PRELUDE & POSTLUDE

I Love to Tell the Story, arr. Dale Wood

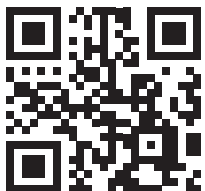
Hyfrydol, arr. Robert Lau

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

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Preparation & Praise

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us worship God with the passion and joy of King David and all the people who sang and danced before the ark of the covenant.

People: **Let us worship our Savior with the songs of praise and thanksgiving of the apostle Paul and all who are blessed with every spiritual blessing.**

Leader: God has blessed us in our Lord Jesus Christ, destined us to be children of God,

People: **and sealed us in the Holy Spirit.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

*HYMN 560

I Love To Tell The Story

HANKEY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silent confession. . .) **Jesus, name above all names, we do not like to admit that we are in need of a shepherd. We believe we are capable of taking care of ourselves; we imagine we are the masters of our own lives, and assured that whatever we do is acceptable, as long as it doesn't hurt someone else. Our sins are too great to count, and chief among them is the belief that we are our own master. Forgive our refusal to be truly reliant on your guiding, shepherding, and challenging ways. Amen.**

RESPONSE

Kyrie

S. Michael Shuman

Music and lyrics can be found on next page at 9:30 service.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE 734

Gloria Patri

GREATOREX

Ministry of the Word

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SERMON

The Stories of Our Lives

Allen Hilton

Response to the Word

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INVITATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 90

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

HYFRYDOL

Verse 1

*BLESSING

*Those who are able, please stand

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RESPONSE

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Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

System 1:
 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
 God on high, A - do - nai, in your mer - cy grant us peace.

System 2:
 Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.
 God on high, A - do - nai, in your mer - cy grant us peace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE 734

Gloria Patri

GREATOREX

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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HANKEY

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

In the Image
arr. Mark Burrows

20-Minute Choir

*RESPONSE 90

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!
Verse 5

HYFRYDOL

*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.

*HYMN 93

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

NETTLETON

*BLESSING

*Those who are able, please stand

Preparation & Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG The King Is In The Room Phil Wickham

SONG Rest On Us Maverick City

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SONG Holy Is The Lord Chris Tomlin

SONG Same God Elevation Worship

OFFERING

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SONG The People Said Amen Matt Maher

BLESSING

Acts 19:8-17

He entered the synagogue and for three months spoke out boldly and argued persuasively about the kingdom of God. When some stubbornly refused to believe and spoke evil of the Way before the congregation, he left them, taking the disciples with him, and argued daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. This continued for two years, so that all the residents of Asia, both Jews and Greeks, heard the word of the Lord.

God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, so that when the handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were brought to the sick, their diseases left them, and the evil spirits came out of them. Then some itinerant Jewish exorcists tried to use the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims." Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this. But the evil spirit said to them in reply, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but who are you?"

Then the man with the evil spirit leaped on them, mastered them all, and so overpowered them that they fled out of the house naked and wounded. When this became known to all residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks, everyone was awestruck, and the name of the Lord Jesus was praised.

Prayers of joy and celebration:

Rafael Hugo Millington-Garza, was born on June 2. Parents are Kathryn Millington-Garza and Marcel Garza. Grandparents are Brian and Sherry Millington. Uncle is Thomas Millington and Aunt and Uncle are Sara Millington and Guhan Venkatu.

Prayers of sympathy and support:

John and Danielle Walker, family and friends on the death of father, father-in-law, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Bill Walker, on May 28.

Billie Fay Grayson, family and friends on the death of cousin, Debbie Colley, on May 22.

Prayers for:

Eleanor Ferguson, Jill Kershner, Nancy Murray, Dorothy Layne, Rhonda Brink-Green, Ginger Hurst, Aaron Johnson, Pastor Jill Williams, Jesse Reyes, Jim Chapman, Mark Woodruff, Monroe Talley, Amy Kopp, Debbie Colley, Jean Cunningham.

Prayers for people serving in our country's armed forces:

Army Green Beret Sergeant Ryan Matthew McPhail, USMC Major Katherine Ashton, US Navy Lieutenant Commander Claten Bechtol, Army Warrant Officer Jessica Choe, US Navy Lieutenant Drew Stockstill, and USMC Second Lieutenant Caleb Green.

Prayers for our international sister churches:

Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada en Luyanó, Havana, Cuba and First Stone Church in Belize City, Belize.

Prayers requested by the Mission Committee:

Covenant Community Guest Ministry helping with rent assistance and Danny & Kristin Franklin in Thailand.

Prayers requested by the Session:

Prayers for the Congregational Nominating Committee as it discerns the nominees for the Pastoral Nominating Committee and for the Covenant members who are called and elected to serve.

Announcements

Congregational Meeting

TODAY, JUNE 14

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting today, June 14, for the purpose of electing the Pastor Nominating Committee for Covenant's open position for Senior Pastor. The meeting will be held following the 11:00 a.m. service in FE200.

Eaton Hall Café Hours

SUNDAYS

The new Eaton Hall Café is now open on Sunday mornings. In addition to our existing coffee stations across campus, complimentary coffee will be available from 9:15 a.m.–noon, offering another place to gather before worship and between services.

TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

The Eaton Hall Café is also open to the community on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Enjoy complimentary coffee and tea while meeting a friend, studying, working remotely, or simply making use of this welcoming new space.

Unlocking Joy Capital Campaign Update

The completion of the Eaton Hall renovation marks an important milestone in the life of our church, made possible through the extraordinary generosity of the Covenant community. We are particularly grateful to the Covenant Foundation for its \$500,000 contribution to the Unlocking Joy campaign, a significant investment in the future of Covenant.

As the campaign enters its final phase, we encourage those with remaining pledge commitments to complete them as planned. Every fulfilled pledge helps bring this shared vision to completion while preserving resources for the ministries and mission that continue to shape our life together. Thank you for your faithful support.

Summer at Covenant

Summer is a great time to connect, grow, and enjoy community together. Explore events, studies, and activities for all ages at covenant.org/summer.

Pub Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 17 & 24

What was it like to be a brand new Christian in 50 A.D.? This June, join Dr. Allen Hilton for our summer Pub Bible Study at 5280 Burgers & Taphouse as we explore Paul's first letter to the Christians in Thessaloniki and what it can teach us about following Jesus in Austin today. Gatherings take place June 17 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. Perfect for anyone looking to explore scripture in a relaxed, welcoming setting while enjoying food and conversation. Free and open to the public. More details at covenant.org/summer.

Pie Making Class

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

Covenant's ministry of encouragement is offering a pie-making class on Sunday, June 28, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. in FE303, taught by Stuart and Cindy Young. Participants will learn how to make a pie and the joy of giving it away. All supplies will be provided. Spaces are limited. Register today by emailing Cindy Young at cl1rpt@aol.com

Summer Sundae Singles

SUNDAYS JULY 12 & AUGUST 9

Singles in their 40s and 50s are invited to gather this summer for fellowship and connection. Join us after the 11:00 a.m. service on July 12 and August 9 in the Eaton Hall Café for a relaxed ice cream social and an opportunity to get to know others in the Covenant community. **Please note: the June 14 gathering has been canceled to allow participants to attend the Congregational Meeting.**



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