

LIVING THE *Liturgical Year*

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian!

We are glad to welcome you to worship this Sunday. 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.

Ordinary Time

The times between Christmas and Lent and the time between Pentecost and Advent are known as "Ordinary Time," time outside the two great seasons of the liturgical calendar. The truth is there is nothing ordinary – if by ordinary we mean less important – about this time. During this time we are invited into faithful attention to what it means to live out daily what we say we believe.

The Revised Common Lectionary can be accessed online at covenant.org/lectionary. The scriptures assigned for today are Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by John & Sandra Winkler to the glory of God and in loving memory of their daughter, Stacy Curtis, as they honor her birthday, September 27.

Assisting in Worship

ASSISTING Thomas Daniel (9:30 & 11:00)

LAY LITURGISTS Dan Hart, Melanie Williamson (8:15)

ORGANIST Michael Shuman

GRACENOTES Yu-Hsin Teng, pianist

WORSHIP BAND Jerry Wise, leader (11:00)

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

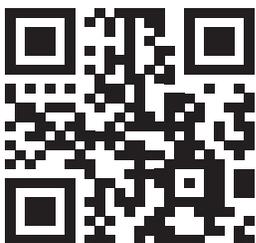
ORGAN PRELUDE & POSTLUDE

St. Denio, arr. Robert Lau

Fugue in C, Johann Pachelbel

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New to Covenant?

Learn more about Covenant Presbyterian, our worship services, childcare options, and how to get involved. Just scan the QR code with your smart phone's camera, or visit covenant.org/visit.

Preparation & Praise

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord, O people!

Leader: Let us praise the Lord as long as we live.

People: Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord.

Leader: The Lord reigns for all generations.

All: Praise the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Immortal, Invisible

Hymn 48

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silent confession. . .) **Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips fear to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

RESPONSE

Kyrie

Hymn 379

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

Hymn 734

Ministry of the Word

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 6:11-19

New Testament, page 965

SERMON

Giving It Away

Jill Williams

Response to the Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Be Thou My Vision

Hymn 502

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

COMMUNION LITURGY

INVITATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*PARTING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

Hymn 569, Verses 1 & 3

*BLESSING

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Ministry of the Word

PSALM

Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah! (Psalm 146)

GraceNotes

Lowell Mason

Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah! Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor on human help depend.
They shall die, to dust returning; all their thoughts and plans shall end.

Happy are the ones professing Jacob's God to be their aid.
They are blest whose hope of blessing on the LORD their God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the LORD created, seas and all that they contain.
He delivers from oppression; righteousness he will maintain.

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 Over all God reigns forever; through all ages he is King.
 Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

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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 OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

In Paradisum

GraceNotes

Gabriel Fauré

May the angels lead you into paradise,
 may the martyrs receive you in your coming,
 and may they guide you
 into the holy city, Jerusalem.
 May the chorus of angels receive you
 and with Lazarus once poor
 may you have eternal rest.

*RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymn 147

*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

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Hymn 569

*BLESSING

Prayers for celebration and joy:

Nicholas John Durrant born on September 10, his Parents are Ian and Rachel Durrant, and Grandparents are Noel and Joy Durrant.

Prayers of sympathy and support:

Dennis and Lori Donley, family and friends, on the death of mother and mother-in-law Linda Jo Donley, on September 17.

Kay and Mike Austin, family and friends, on the death of mother and mother-in-law, Sue Tompkins, on September 10.

Darden Deviney, family and friends, on the death of husband, Jerry Osborne, on September 2.

Rock Goodrich, family and friends, on the death of her son, David Goodrich, on September 6.

Marshall and Leslie Harrell, family and friends, on the death of mother and mother-in-law, Shelly Harrell, on August 28.

Prayers for recently hospitalized:

Lorrie Terrell and Dot Johnson.

Prayers for:

John Tait, Sue Breuer, Vicki Kessler, Barbara Worley, Sue and Beth Goodrich, Charlene Cole, Cori Ervin, Sandra Hardin, Jan Stallings, Gregory Neff, Mike Austin, Doris Beseda, Kaye Roth, Rebekah Urban, Priscilla and David Phinney.

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

USMC Capt. Katherine Ashton.

Prayers for our international sister churches:

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

Prayers requested by the Mission Committee:

Austin Disaster Relief Network and Chris Fisher at East Austin Younglife.

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



Fostering Hope at Covenant

Hundreds of children are currently waiting for safe and secure placement in the Central Texas foster care system. 68% of these children will end up leaving the area due to a lack of local options. The need for local foster resources is now critical.

This Fall, Covenant has partnered Fostering Hope to build a ministry that supports foster care, adoption, and related services within the Covenant community.

Today at noon on the 4th floor of the FEB, we're serving up lunch and will share more about this program to anyone interested. We welcome those considering foster care in addition to those who would be willing to lend a helping hand to these children and families in their journey.

Formation Cohorts

Formation Cohorts spend a full year establishing rhythms of spiritual and missional practice within the context of biblical community. Each cohort consists of 15-20 individuals who commit to quarterly retreats, monthly video calls, and short weekly spiritual practices. Our January 2023 cohorts are open now! Please connect with us by October 1 by visiting covenant.org/cohorts or stopping by the table on the patio between services.

Young Adult Brunch Today

Our monthly Young Adult Brunch is happening today after the 11 a.m. service in the home of Lynn & Neil Adams at 8608 Winding Walk. Those in their 20s and 30s are welcome for a time of gathering and fellowship. Visit covenant.org/young-adults to register.

Courageous Conversations with Allen Hilton

We believe in having a robust, viewpoint-diverse community at Covenant that is united across differences for the common good. On October 5 at 6:15 p.m., we will begin a series of courageous conversations led by Rev. Dr. Allen Hilton, founder of House United. We anticipate our journey with Allen to be both impactful and empowering, and we encourage you to join us! Learn more at covenant.org/allen-hilton.

Pledge Sunday is October 16

As we approach another Pledge Sunday, we invite you to prayerfully consider your commitment to our 2023 budget. For years, Covenant has been faithful in living out the gospel in Austin, Texas, and around the world. We have seen people come to faith in Jesus, grow as his disciples, and live out a mission of serving wherever we live, work, and play. As we discern what God's call will look like in 2023, we request your support. Pledge Sunday is October 16 but you may make your pledge at any time by visiting covenant.org/pledge or by emailing DDube@covenant.org.

CNC Submissions

The Congregational Nominating Committee seeks candidates for church officers. Prayerfully consider God's calling for you or someone within the congregation to serve as an Elder, Deacon, or Trustee. Find out more or submit a recommendation at covenant.org/nominate.



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