

THE LORD'S DAY ~ October 1, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Preparation for Worship Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

*"The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge."
~ Psalm 19:1-2*

Pastor's Welcome and Announcements

A cry room for small children with televised worship is available in the Fellowship Hall during the service.

Prelude "Jesus, I Come" (Words: T503) (1)

Invocation

*Call to Worship John 4:21-24

*Hymn of Praise "Come People of the Risen King" (2)

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise.
Come, all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him.
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands; find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; shore to shore we hear them call ~
The Truth that cries through ev'ry age: "Our God is all in all!"

*Hymn of Adoration "Indescribable" (3)

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty.
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring,
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name; You are amazing, God!
All powerful! Untameable! Awestruck, we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim: You are amazing God!*

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go;
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name; You are amazing, God!
Incomparable! Unchangeable! You see the depths of my heart
And you love me the same; You are amazing, God!*

*For those who are able, please stand at these times.

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*Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Question 105-107

Leader: What is the Sixth Commandment?
People: You shall not kill.

Leader: What is God's will for you in the Sixth Commandment?
People: I am not to belittle, insult, hate, or kill my neighbor (not by my thoughts, my words, my look or gesture, and certainly not by actual deeds) and I am not to be party to this in others; rather, I am to put away all desire for revenge. I am not to harm or recklessly endanger myself either. Prevention of murder is also why government is armed with the sword.

Leader: Does this commandment refer only to killing?
People: By forbidding murder God teaches us that He hates the root of murder: envy, hatred, anger, vindictiveness. In God's sight all such are murder.

Leader: Is it enough then that we do not kill our neighbor in any such way?
People: No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger God tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly to them, to protect them from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies.

Scripture Reading Romans 5:1-11, "Peace with God" (PB1067)

Call to Confession Romans 2:4

Confession of Sin

Our Father, You are dwelling in our hearts for we long for Your presence. You are living within us because we seek Your holy love. We acknowledge and confess before You that we have sinned in our thoughts, our words, and our deeds. We have not loved You with all of our hearts, with all of our souls, with all of our minds and with all of our strength. We have certainly not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us godly sorrow for the wrong we have done and for that which we have failed to do. Heavenly Father, You are gracious and full of mercy, slow to anger and overflowing in steadfast love. We praise You, O Lord, that there is eternal forgiveness with You. Restore to us the sweet joy of Your sovereign salvation. Bind up in us and in the world that which is broken by sin. Give heavenly light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. By the working of the Holy Spirit, speak personally to each of us the word that we need, and may it abide with us until You have worked Your holy will in us to the glory of Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Ephesians 5:2

Hymn of Confession "God, Be Merciful to Me" (Words: T486) (4)

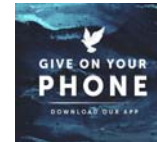
Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Proverbs 28:6

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Offertory Hymn "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire" (T597)

Prayer of Illumination Psalm 119:109

Sermon Romans 1:18-23

"Why the Wrath of God Is Revealed"

The Romans Series (35)

Rev. Cory D. Colravy



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*Hymn of Response "All Creatures of Our God and King" (T115)

*Charge and Benediction I Corinthians 16:23-24

*Hymn of Benediction "The Gloria Patri" (T734)

*Postlude

THIS WEEK, October 1-7, 2017

Today •Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.
•Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 - 10:25 a.m.
•Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday •Ladies' Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday •Praise Team Rehearsal, 5:15 p.m.
•Dinner Served 5:30 p.m.
•Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.
•Kids' Quest & Adult Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday •WIC Fall Rally, Fellowship Hall, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Announcements

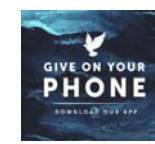
- ◆ **Nursery This Week** Morning Worship ~ Emily Delmar, Chris Goehring
- ◆ **Nursery Next Week** Sunday School ~ Megan Colravy
Morning Worship ~ Heather Steele, Claire Zechman
- ◆ **Ushers Today:** James Thompson, Joe Steele, John Armstrong
- ◆ **Ushers Next Week:** George Goehring, Warren Furchess, John Moody
- ◆ **Budget Summary:**

Weekly Operational Budget Requirement	\$ 5,550.00
Tithes/Offerings, September 17, 2017	\$ 5,210.30
Tithes/Offerings, September 24, 2017	\$ 2,724.55
FYTD Tithes/Offerings Received	\$ 42,171.94
FYTD Operational Budget Expenses	\$ 49,943.68
Mortgage Balance	\$ 192,507.08

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COVENANT FAMILY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Burke Denny, October 4th

CPC On-Line Prayer Room

View the on-going prayer requests on the church website:
www.covenantpca.net/community/prayer-room



October Collection Items: "Craft Supplies"
stickers, water colors, coloring books, tape, glitter, etc.



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“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Francis of Assisi, 1225 AD

*“I tell you that if these should keep silent,
the stones would immediately cry out.”*
Luke 19:40



So many stories have arisen around St. Francis of Assisi that it's difficult to separate truth from fiction. We know he was born in 1182 in central Italy, son of a rich merchant. After a scanty education, Francis joined the army and was captured in war. He came to Christ shortly after his release, renounced his wealth, and began traveling about the countryside, preaching the gospel, living simply, seeking to make Christ real to everyone he met.

Francis loved nature, and many stories spotlight his interaction with animals. Once as he hiked through Italy's Spoleto Valley, he came upon a flock of birds. When they didn't fly away, he decided to preach them a little sermon: “My brother and sister birds,” he reportedly said, “you should praise your Creator and always love Him. He gave you feathers for clothes, wings to fly, and all other things you need. It is God who made your home in thin, pure air. Without sowing or reaping, you receive God's guidance and protection.”

The flock, it is said, then flew off rejoicing.

That perspective is reflected in a hymn Francis composed just before his death in 1225, called, “Cantico di fratre sole” ~ “Song of Brother Sun.” It exhorts all creation to worship God. The sun and moon. All the birds. All the clouds. Wind and fire. All men of tender heart. All creatures of our God and King.

Though written in 1225, an English version didn't appear until 1919, when Rev. William H. Draper decided to use it for a children's worship festival in Leeds, England.

But is it sound theology to exhort birds and billowing clouds to lift their voices in praise? Yes! “All Creatures of our God and King” simply restates an older hymn, Psalm 148, which says:

*“Praise Him, sun and moon;
praise Him, all you stars of light . . .
You great sea creatures and all the depths;
fire and hail, snow and clouds;
Stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
mountains and all hills;
Fruitful trees and all cedars;
beasts and all cattle;
Creeping things and flying fowl . . .
Let them praise the name of the LORD,
For His name alone is exalted . . .
Praise the LORD!*



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