

THE LORD'S DAY ~ March 13, 2016

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church

to all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and need strength;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Preparation for Worship Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

*“Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law’s demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.*

*Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.”
~ Augustus M. Toplady, 1776*

Pastor’s Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Draw Me Nearer” (1)

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Your voice and it told Your love to me;
But I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to Thee.

*Draw me nearer to the cross where Thou hast died.
Draw me nearer to Your precious bleeding side.
Draw me nearer. Draw me nearer.*

Consecrate me now to Your service, Lord, by the pow’r of grace divine.
Let my soul look up with a steady hope, and my will be lost in Thine.

There are depths of love that I cannot know ‘til I cross the narrow sea.
There are heights of joy that I may not reach ‘til I rest in peace with Thee.

Prayer of Invocation and Praise

***Call to Worship** Psalm 8:3-4

***Hymn Medley of Praise** “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” (T296)

“The Power of Your Love” (2)

Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, renewed, flowing from the grace that I’ve found in You.
And Lord, I’ve come to know the weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away by the power of Your love.

*Hold me close, let Your love surround me; bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait, I’ll rise up like the eagle, and I will soar with You ~
Your Spirit leads me on in the power of Your love.*

Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see You face to face, the knowledge of Your love as You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind as Your will unfolds in my life
In living ev’ry day in the power of Your love.

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

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*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Question #1

Leader: *What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

People: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Scripture Reading

Genesis 11:9~12:3

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

“Psalm 124” (Tune: T614)

If God the LORD had not been on our side ~ Let Isr’el say ~ had not the LORD been near
When foes attacked us, filling us with fear, and when their wrath against us reached its height,
Alive we had been swallowed in their spite.

We would have been enveloped by the flood; over our heads the torrent would have gone;
The waters would have carried us along. But praise the LORD, for he has set us free
And has not left us to their cruelty.

We have escaped ~ just as a captured bird out of the fowler’s net has been set free;
The snare is cut, we are at liberty. Our help is in the name of God the LORD
Who made the earth and heavens by his word.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Lamentations 3:22-23

Prayer of Illumination

Psalm 119:9

Sermon

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 †

“The Parable of the Sower (Part 4): Unfruitful Soils (3)”

Synoptic Gospel Series

Rev. Cory D. Colravy

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Reading of the Law Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 49-52

Leader: *What is the Second Commandment?*

People: The Second Commandment is: You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Leader: *What does the Second Commandment require?*

People: The Second Commandment requires us to receive, respectfully perform, and preserve completely and purely all the regulations for religion and worship that God has established in His word.

Leader: *What does the Second Commandment forbid?*

People: The Second Commandment forbids our worshipping God with images or in any other way not established in His word.

Leader: *What are the reasons for the Second Commandment?*

People: The reasons for the Second Commandment are that God totally rules over us, that we belong to Him, and that He is eager to be worshipped correctly.

Confession of Sin

Gracious God and Heavenly Father, we affirm that you alone are good. But we have sought our good in other things. We have pursued joy in the creation rather than in the Creator. We have not loved what is truly good. Forgive our sin, O God. Forgive us for refusing to believe that You are good, and that You do good. Have mercy upon us, according to Your goodness, according to Your unfailing love. In Jesus’ name, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

II Corinthians 5:21

† Parallel accounts in Mark 4:1-9; Luke 8:4-8

Special Offering
Hymn of Meditation
Distribution of Elements

(Please note that grape juice is in all the inner circles of cups
and wine is only in the one outer circle.)

Covenant Mercy Ministry
“Rock of Ages” (T500)

*Charge and Benediction

Romans 16:20

*Hymn of Benediction

“Our God Reigns” (C372, v.1)

*Postlude

*Join us today for our Fellowship Meal
immediately following the morning worship service.*

THIS WEEK, March 13 - 19, 2016

Today •Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.
•Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 - 10:25 a.m.
•Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.
•Second Sunday Lunch

Tuesday •WIC 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, 6:30 p.m.
•Adult Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.

Announcements

- ◆ **In Our Nursery Today:** Sunday School ~ Michele Devereaux
Morning Worship ~ Raquel Clark, Sara Washburn
- ◆ **Nursery Next Week:** Sunday School ~ Dawn Welch
Morning Worship ~ Toni Hill, Wendy Russell
- ◆ **WIC Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ **March Operation Christmas Child Collection Items** ~ “Lovable Toys and Games”, small stuffed animals, baby dolls, teddy bears, books, etc.
- ◆ **Budget Summary:**

Weekly Operational Budget Requirement	\$	5,948.00
Tithes/Offerings, March 6, 2016	\$	7,266.30
FYTD Tithes/Offerings Received	\$	178,873.73
FYTD Operational Budget Expenses	\$	166,684.18
Mortgage Balance	\$	217,799.26

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Sermon Notes
The Lord's Day, Sunday, March 13, 2016
"The Parable of the Sower (Part 4): Unfruitful Soils (3)"
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Synoptic Gospel Series
Rev. Cory D. Colravy

Prayer List, Sunday, March 13, 2016

PRAY DAILY FOR OUR PASTOR AND STAFF

Rev. Cory D. Colravy, Pastor
Mrs. Glenda L. Delmar, CCS Principal
Mrs. Martha A. Middleton, Executive Administrator
Ms. Roseanne S. Culpepper, CCS Office Manager
Mr. Bryan M. Walker, CCS Bookkeeper
Mr. Art Stroh, Youth Director
Mr. Scott Perry, Music Leader

PRAY FOR UNSPOKEN REQUESTS

PRAY FOR OUR NATION AND OUR LEADERS

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND OUR MISSIONARIES

Sunday Tim Carper% RUF, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
Monday Cliff Wilcox% Circle PCA church plant, Pace, FL
Tuesday Stephanie Pike Swanson% Mission to the World
Wednesday Archie Parrish% Serve International
Thursday Leigh & Debbie Hinkle#
Friday Chaplain's Ministry% Mission to North America
Saturday Jeff & Kristie Delmar#
(*Happy Birthday, #Happy Anniversary, %Missionary)

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY AT HOME AND ABROAD

Currently Deployed Overseas: Randy Miller (Joyce Post's grandson)

Currently Serving at Home: Shawn Rost (Warren & Judy Kline's son-in-law), Brian Neal, Ben Hollo, Ian Harris, Seth Armstrong

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Cancer: Phil Khalife (Sonja Seidler's brother), Lee Broughton (friend of Martha Middleton, breast cancer), Gerald Skipper (Jan Langham's brother-in-law), Charlene Elliott (CCS parent, blood cancer), Ryan Colravy (Pastor Colravy's nephew, (chemotherapy & radiation), Charlotte Bass (4 year old friend of Mara Frazier, Aplastic Anemia)

Illness: Brian Schreiber (Fred & Carrie Hayes Schreiber's son, blood disease), Fran Coyne (friend of the Steele's, aortic valve stenosis), Johnny Langham (Jack & Jan Langham's son), Tyson Wellcome (Rocky Welch's cousin, facial injury & reconstructive surgery, Naomi (brain tumor surgery, step-daughter of James Thompson's friend Jeremy Williams), Charlie Saunders (O'Lear family member), Mike Kline (Warren & Judy Kline's son, heart problem), Alaina Gilmore (leg development problem), Linda Hopkins' family member (amyloidosis), David Hill (heart blockage), Cheryl Gaudiano, Judy Kline (knee replacement), Roger Leete (CIDP), Gloria Hawkins (Glenda Delmar's mother, stroke), Derrick Jensen (family friend of Raquel Clark, ALS)

Special Need: Virginia Palmer, David & Toni Hill (Rusty & Chris Hill's parents), Tom Bingham family, Richard Post family, Randy Tucker (Patty Ann Brunner's son, stroke recovery), Dawn Welch family, Dell Simpson

**Names in italics are new to the list this week.*



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*Building Relationships,
Building the Kingdom,
For Now...and Eternity*

We go and make
mature disciples
of the
Lord Jesus Christ
who glorify
and enjoy God
forever.

glorify God

WORSHIP

love one another

COMMUNITY

serve the world

MISSION