

# THE LORD'S DAY ~ September 16, 2018

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!



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### Preparation for Worship

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

*“Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence,  
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”*  
~ Hebrews 4:16

“To a devout Jew, the notion of unhindered access to God was scandalous. Yet *by* his grace and *for* his grace, that access is ours. Because of Christ’s work, God’s door is always open to us. Let’s enter freely and frequently!” (1)

*“Now I will say this to every sinner, though he should think himself  
to be the worst sinner whoever lived:  
cry to the Lord and seek him while he may be found.  
By simple faith, go to your Savior, for he is the throne of grace.”*  
~ Charles Spurgeon

### Pastor’s Welcome and Announcements

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

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

(1) Randy Alcorn, “Grace: A Bigger View of God’s Love”, © 2016 Harvest House Publishers, p.14;(2) William Sleeper, Greg Thompson © 2000 Greg Thompson; (3) John 14:16–17; (4) Isaac Watts, Sandra McCracken © 2001 Same Old Dress Music. Used by Permission. All Rights Reserved. CCLI #128060.

### Prayer of Invocation and Praise

\*Call to Worship Psalm 98:4-6  
\*Hymn of Praise “Jesus, I Come” (Words: T503) (2)  
\*Confession of Faith The New City Catechism #36  
Leader: *What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?* (3)  
People: That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son, and that God grants him irrevocably to all who believe.

### Scripture Reading

Exodus 37 (PB77)

### Pastoral Prayer

### Offertory Hymn

“Psalm 22:25-31” (Tune: T662)

You are the theme of all my praise within the great assembly, LORD;  
Before all those who fear your name I will fulfil my solemn word.

The poor will eat and will be filled and those who seek the LORD will give  
A shout of joyful praise to him. O may your hearts for ever live!

The whole earth will remember him and turn to-wards the LORD their God.  
All peoples will bow down to him ~ the nations of the world abroad.

Dominion to the LORD belongs and over nations he is king.  
The rich of all the earth will feast and worship with an offering.

All those whose destiny is dust will humbly kneel before his throne;  
They cannot keep themselves alive, for they depend on him alone.

Posterity will serve the LORD: and generations still to come  
Will tell a people yet unborn the righteous acts that he has done.

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

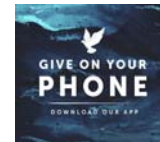
Deuteronomy 16:17

*“Every man shall give as he is able,  
according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you.”*

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### Prayer of Illumination

Psalm 119:165

*“Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.”*

### Sermon

Romans 3:21-31

“No Boasting. No Partiality. No Lawlessness.”



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The Grace of God Section (5), Romans 3:20-8:39  
The Romans Series (66)  
Rev. Cory D. Colravy

### Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

#### Invitation

### Reading of the Law The Eighth Commandment, WSC 73-75

Leader: *What is the Eighth Commandment?*  
People: The Eighth Commandment is: You shall not steal.

Leader: *What does the Eighth Commandment require?*  
People: The Eighth Commandment requires that we lawfully acquire and increase our own and other’s money and possessions.

Leader: *What does the Eighth Commandment forbid?*  
People: The Eighth Commandment forbids anything that either does or may unjustly take away money or possessions from us or anyone.

### Confession of Sin for the Eighth Commandment

O merciful Father, my every sense, member, faculty, affection, is a snare to me. I can hardly open my eyes before I envy those above me, or despise those below. I covet honor and riches of the powerful, and am proud and unmerciful to the rags of others.

If I behold beauty it is a bait to lust, or see deformity, it stirs up loathing and disdain; how soon do slanders, vain humor and ungodly speeches creep into my heart! Am I beautiful? What fuel for pride! Am I deformed? What an occasion for complaining! Am I gifted? How I lust after applause!

Am I unlearned? How I despise what I have not! Am I in authority? How prone to abuse my trust, make my will the law, exclude others’ enjoyment, serve my own interest and self-centered business! Am I inferior? How much I begrudge others’ success! Am I rich? How proud I become!

You know that all these are snares in my corrupted heart, and that my greatest snare is myself. I grieve that my understanding is slow, my thoughts vile, my expressions dull, my life unworthy. Yet what can you expect of dust but levity, of corruption but defilement? Forgive me, Father. Keep me ever mindful of my natural state, but let me not forget my heavenly home, or the all-sufficient grace that can deal with every sin. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon Special Offering Hymn of Meditation

Psalm 103:11-14  
Covenant Mercy Ministry  
“I Boast No More” (4)

No more, my God, I boast no more of all the duties I have done;  
I quit the hopes I held before, to trust the merits of Thy Son.

*No more my God, no more my God,  
No more my God, I boast no more.*

Now, for the loss I bear His name, what was my gain I count my loss;  
My former pride I call my shame, and nail my glory to His cross.

Yes, and I must and will esteem all things but loss for Jesus’ sake;  
O may my soul be found in Him, and of His righteousness partake!

The best obedience of my hands dares not appear before Thy throne;  
But faith can answer Thy demands, by pleading what my Lord has done.

### Distribution of Elements

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

\*Charge and Benediction Numbers 6:24-26  
\*Hymn of Benediction “Grace, Love and Fellowship” (C233)  
\*Postlude

Please join us immediately following the morning  
worship service for a covered dish lunch.

**THIS WEEK, September 16 - 22, 2018**

- Today •Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.  
•Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 - 10:25 a.m.  
•Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.  
•2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Covered Dish Lunch
- Tuesday •Ladies Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday •Praise Team rehearsal, 5:15 p.m.  
•Kid's Quest, 6:30 p.m.  
•Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.  
•Adult Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

**Announcements**

- ◆ **In Our Nursery Today:** Morning Worship ~ Christina Sabo, Izabella Sabo
- ◆ **Nursery Next Week** Sunday School ~ Dawn Colravy  
Morning Worship ~ Kristie Delmar, Karina Delmar, Kristina Gilmore
- ◆ **Ushers Today:** Jonah Cleveland, Curtis Trexler, Joe Steele, Michael Sabo
- ◆ **Ushers Next Week:** George Goehring, Geoffrey Brooks, Isaac Brooks, Zeke Zechman

**COVENANT FAMILY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:**

Teri Zechman, September 17<sup>th</sup>  
Judy Kline, September 18<sup>th</sup>

**CPC On-Line Prayer Room**

View the on-going prayer requests on the church website:  
[www.covenantpca.net/community/prayer-room](http://www.covenantpca.net/community/prayer-room)



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**AM Sermon Notes**

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**All Wednesday night activities begin**

**Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Dinner Served, 5:30 pm**

**Kid's Quest, 6:30 pm**

**Youth Group, 6:30 pm**

**Adult Bible Study, 6:30 pm**

**“Gospel Centered Relationships”**

**Psalm 22**

(from “*Reading the Psalms with Luther*”)

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Psalm is a prophecy of the suffering and resurrection of Christ and a prophecy of the Gospel, which the entire world shall hear and receive. Beyond all other texts, [the first half of the Psalm] clearly shows Christ's torment on the cross, that He was pierced hand and foot and His limbs stretched out so that His bones could have been counted. Nowhere in the other prophets can one find so clear a description. It is indeed one of the chief psalms.

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