



# covenant

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



**June 7 2026 – 10am**

*Covenant is an accepting, welcoming community sharing the glory of God's love with all.*

## **PRELUDE**

“Magnificent Sanctuary Band” by Dorsey Burnette

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**



## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Spirit draws us to ourselves—

**People: She says yes to the space our bodies take up.**

Leader: She says yes to our dreams and soulful desires.

**People: The Spirit invites us beyond ourselves—**

Leader: To connection with our flora and fauna kin,

**People: To plant our roots deep in the soil of community.**

Leader: We gather today honoring the wisdom the Spirit whispers through our bodies and through our relationships.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit!**

\*Please rise in body or spirit

## \*HYMN #305

## “Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”



This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme “Celebrate the Journey.” The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

1 Come sing, O church, in joy!  
Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has led us  
through the ages long!

Refrain:

In bold accord,  
come celebrate the journey now  
and praise the Lord!

2 Long years have come and gone,  
and still God reigns supreme,  
empowering us to catch the vision,  
dream the dream! (Refrain)

3 Let courage be our friend;  
let wisdom be our guide,  
as we in mission magnify  
the Crucified! (Refrain)

4 Come sing, O church, in joy!  
Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er  
the ages long! (Refrain)

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of calling,  
you called Matthew  
and gave him the strength he needed  
to follow you.  
You also call us,  
but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes  
and cover our ears,  
turning our backs to your will.  
Forgive us, O God,  
and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need  
to follow when you call. Amen.



(Silence for Personal Confession)

### WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

#### HYMN #447

“We are Forgiven”

We are forgiven.  
We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God.  
Thanks be to God.



### PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord, be with you all. **And also with you.**

#### HYMN #188

“Jesus Loves Me”

### TALK WITH CHILDREN

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



## THE FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-9 (NRSVUE)



The wisdom of God for all people; the call of God to all who live. **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 9:9-13 (NRSVUE)

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY



God of grace,  
you invite the despised,  
you touch the unclean,  
you lift the head  
of those who are brought low:  
give us that hope against all hope  
for a world transformed  
by your healing touch;  
through Jesus Christ, the mercy of God. Amen.

## SERMON

Answering the Call

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING



## OFFERTORY

“A Living Prayer” by Rob Block

## \*DOXOLOGY #606



**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION



## THE LORD'S SUPPER

See the back page of the hymnal

At Covenant, we believe the Lord's Supper is for everyone. From newborns to our most mature, all are welcome at this table. The Presbyterian Church teaches, "The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding" (Book of Order, W-3.049).

## MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

Dave Powers

### \*HYMN #733

### "We Are All One in Mission"



A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.

1 We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united  
by Christ, the Lord of all.  
A single, great commission  
compels us from above  
to plan and work together  
that all may know Christ's love.

3 Now let us be united  
and let our song be heard.  
Now let us be a vessel  
for God's redeeming word.  
We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united  
by Christ, the Lord of all.

2 We all are called for service  
to witness in God's name.  
Our ministries are different;  
our purpose is the same:  
to touch the lives of others  
by God's surprising grace,  
so every folk and nation  
may feel God's warm embrace.

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

"Sermonette" by Julian "Cannonball" Adderley

† From Prayers for an Inclusive Church by Steven Shakespeare. New York: Church Publishing, 2009.

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### **Assisting in Worship Today:**

Anna Mizer – Liturgist

Allie Garner – Vocalist

Cherie Brooks – Director of Music

Dave Powers- Pianist

Brian Biller – Media Production Specialist

Erin Wise – Director of Children's & Youth Ministries

Kathi Bubb – Sabbatical Christian Educator

Rev. David Bubb – Sabbatical Pastor

### **THIS WEEK AT COVENANT**

**Bible Study** - Wednesday at 1:00pm in the Lounge. Join Bible Study with the QR code.

**Centering Prayer**- Thursday at 8:30am in the Lounge



### **LABYRINTH CHALLENGE**

Wondering how to use our labyrinth? The Truth: there is no right or wrong way! Try our monthly challenges and know that each journey into the labyrinth is different. This labyrinth is a gift to the people of Covenant. Let us use it to quiet our minds and grow closer to our God.

**For June:** As you begin, bring to mind a concern - carry that with you as you slowly walk the circuits. When you reach the center, stop for a moment & leave that concern with God. You can stay in the center as long as you want.

Then slowly follow the path that leads you back to your life.

*Ask yourself:* What did you release? What did you receive? You may wish to leave a note in the little library at the entrance or journal when you get home.

# BRUNCH & LEARN

How can we be faithful Christians who try to love our neighbors in such a divided world?

Join us after the 10:00 service on 6/14.

Kathi Bubb will facilitate our conversation as we explore "Living and Loving in Community"

Call the office or visit

<https://bit.ly/CPCBrunch614> to RSVP



# VBS

JUNE 15-18, 9-11:30AM

**VOLUNTEER**

**RIISING 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE & ABOVE**  
<https://bit.ly/CPC26VBSVOL>



**Optional Dates:**

**Set up**

**Saturday June 13**

**9 am-12 pm**

**Tear down**

**Thursday June 18**

**11:30am**



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Seeking recommendations for members to serve as Elders and Deacons beginning in 2027. Please prayerfully consider nominating someone — or yourself — for these leadership roles.

Submit by scanning the QR code at [bit.ly/CPCNom](https://bit.ly/CPCNom) or by paper form available in the Narthex or Church Office.

Deadline:  
June 14, 2026.



In addition to the usual list of needs, the food pantry is in need of liquid protein supplement drinks for clients with unique dietary needs.

Donations can be dropped off in or near the box by the North Entrance.