



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 16, 2026

9:30 a.m.

SANCTUARY

Covenant Presbyterian is a dynamic Christian community that gladly invites all people into a transformational experience of faith; boldly proclaims the gospel; bravely works toward a whole and just world; and passionately nurtures discipleship.

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Welcome to Covenant; we are glad you are here. Children are always welcome in worship. Childcare and children's programs (ages 6 weeks to fifth grade) are offered in the Education Wing. Infant soothing spaces with live video of the worship service are available in the Welcome Center and parlor. See an usher for assistance.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Alleluia S. Furtick, C. Moore, B. Hastings¹

I've got a God who is for me
And He's known for making a way
He fought the battle, so I wouldn't have to
All glory belongs to His name, hey-yeah
And I've got a God who's been faithful, yes, He has
Far more than I could explain
And through every season, in spite of my weakness
He gave me a song I can sing
And I came to praise (hey)
I came to praise (come on)
That's why I woke up today (hey-yeah)
I came to praise (let's go, y'all)
We say, alle, alle, alleluia
You get all the praise, we say
Alle, alle, alleluia (hey)
You get all the praise, always
I got a King who is risen (hey)
He put my shame in the grave
Went to hell and back, and now I'll never have to
And He did it all in three days (let's go)
I'm singing in the morning, I'm singing at night
I'm singing in the battle, that's how I fight
I'm singing "He's holy", I'm singing it twice (twice)
I'm singing "He's holy" the rest of my life
(let's go, I'm singing in the morning)

Welcome and Call to Worship Bob Henderson

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**Alleluia* S. Furtick, C. Moore, B. Hastings²
(worship team and congregation)

*Prayer of Adoration

PRACTICES OF DISCIPLESHIP

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eagle's Wings R. Morgan³

(worship team and congregation)

Come live in me, All my life take over

Come breathe in me, And I will rise

On eagle's wings

Assurance of Grace

Time with Young Disciples Courtney Shudak
Following Time with Young Disciples, children are invited to remain in worship with their families or go to Childcare. Children going to Childcare should be accompanied by a parent/guardian to the first floor of the Education Wing. Children ages 6-11 are invited to The Gathering Place Room on the 2nd floor of the Education Wing. Children must be signed in/out by a parent/guardian.

Congregational Life and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (unison)
**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.**

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

God Loves Everyone L. Bridges⁴
God loves the lost and least
God loves the wild and unique
And the girls on the street
Just the same as you and me
Old men and the young and the strange
School kid looking out at the rain
Cops on the beat and the crooks in the cage
Just the same
God loves everyone
Everybody under the sun
God loves everyone
Just the same, oh
Just the same, oh
God sees all the folks on their own
God knows what it’s like to be cold
And the winners and losers and player and fool
For the game

ENCOUNTER GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading
John 13:31-35 New Testament, p. 102

Sermon
“Who Do You Love” Katherine Kerr
Sermon Series: *Encounters with Jesus*

*Song of Response
O The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus B. Doerksen, S. Francis, T.J. Williams⁵
(worship team and congregation)

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

*Benediction Response

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁶

Notes:

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Katherine Kerr, senior associate minister, congregational care

Courtney Shudak, pastoral resident, mission and outreach

Jessica Borgnis, director of contemporary music and worship arts

Ricko Hill, assistant director of contemporary worship and arts

Sharing the Gifts of Music

Jackson Daisley (electric guitar), Paul Fisher (drums), Jack Hunter (vocals), Cheryl Hoover (bass guitar and vocals), Zach Leitner (acoustic guitar), Phil Lyew (tenor sax), Syl Potter (vocals), Bill Saunders (vocals).

Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Mary Scott Kennedy and Drew Mansfield yesterday in the Sanctuary.

WELCOME TO COVENANT

We are happy that you are worshiping with us today. Please fill out one of the Worship Response Cards in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate when finished. All are welcome for fellowship and refreshments in the Circle where today's preaching minister will be glad to greet you.

Interested in joining Covenant? We welcome new members every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building. Feel free to contact our office at 704-333-9071 or email Lora.Borrelli@covenantpresby.org for more information. We will gladly host meetings in the Welcome Center upon request.

Assistive listening devices are available from the ushers. Audio-induction hearing loops are installed in the sanctuary for use with hearing aids.



Each Sunday, we offer educational and fellowship opportunities in the mornings and evenings for children, youth and adults in the Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. Please see the digital signs in each building for details.

Are you signed up to receive our weekly emails? If not, please contact Lacy King, Communications Manager, at Lacy.King@covenantpresby.org.



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CONGREGATIONAL NOTES (As of August 12)
Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mary Scott Kennedy and Drew Mansfield on the
occasion of their marriage on August 15.
McKenzie and Cris Seippel on the baptism of their child
Wells David Seippel on today at 11:00 a.m.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Candace Carter-Johnson
Deloris Davis
Annabelle Dawson
Bucky Renner
Dottie Stowe

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We rely on members of the congregation, friends and relatives to keep us informed of hospitalizations, births and deaths. Please call the church office at 704-333-9071 or email Aisha.Council@CovenantPresby.org. Prayer requests may be submitted on your Worship Response Card, on the website at Connect and Grow > Congregational Care, or to Katherine.Kerr@CovenantPresby.org. A pastor remains on call for emergency situations (death, sudden hospitalizations, etc.). Please call 704-333-9071.

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