



COVENANT

presbyterian church

To the Greater Glory of God

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 31, 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

Down To The River To Pray Unknown¹

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown?
Good Lord show me the way
O sisters, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
O sisters, let's go down
Down in the river to pray
O brothers, let's go down
O fathers, let's go down
O mothers, let's go down
O sinners, let's go down

Welcome and Call to Worship Grace Lindvall

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**I Could Sing of Your Love Forever* M. Smith²
(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

Mission Commissioning

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

He Turned the Water Into Wine J. Cash⁴
He turned the water into wine
He turned the water into wine
In the little Cana town the word went all around that
He turned the water into wine
Well He walked upon the Sea of Galilee
He walked upon the Sea of Galilee
Shout it far and wide He calmed the raging tide
and walked upon the Sea of Galilee
He healed the leper and the lame
He healed the leper and the lame
He said go and tell no man but they shouted it through the land
That He healed the leper and the lame
He fed the hungry multitude yes
He fed the hungry multitude
With a little bit of fish and bread
They said everyone was fed
He fed the hungry multitude

ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

John 2:1-12 New Testament, p. 87

Sermon

"Party On" Bob Henderson
Sermon Series: *Encounters with Jesus*

*Song of Response

Graves into Gardens B. Lake, S. Furtick, C. Brown, T. Hudson⁵
(worship team and congregation)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Invitation and Benediction

*Benediction Response

**For I Know* R. Muchow⁶

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship this Morning

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Grace Lindvall, associate minister, education

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

Jessica Borgnis (piano and vocals), Amber Brown (vocals), Jackson

Daisley (electric guitar), Paul Fisher (drums), LaVita Hill (vocals),

Cheryl Hoover (bass guitar and vocals), Phil Koonce (electric guitar)

Phil Lyew (tenor sax).

Flowers in the Sanctuary

Given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Menke

Gray and Ben Mallicote.

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 May 27)
Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Jacqueline and Mark McAlister on the birth of their child Mary Elizabeth McAlister on May 25.

Menke Gray and Ben Mallicote on the occasion of their marriage on May 30 at Covenant.

John D' Ambrosio and Lauren D' Ambrosio on the baptism of their child Margaret Mae D'Ambrosio today at 11:00.

NEW MEMBERS

Tommy Cirino

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Janet Page Gleeson

July 13, 1945 - May 28, 2026

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, says the Spirit. - Revelation 14:13

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Loretta Brown

Candace Carter-Johnson

Helen Cathey

Annabelle Dawson

Deloris Davis

Jim Leathers

Bucky Renner

Dottie Stowe

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