

“Do this in remembrance of me.”



MAUNDY THURSDAY

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND COMMUNION

APRIL 2, 2026

6:30 P.M.

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.

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Thursday, April 2, 2026

6:30 p.m.

Welcome to Covenant; we are glad you are here. Children are always welcome in worship. Childcare (ages 6 weeks to Kindergarten) is 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.

Gathering Music

Show the Way D. Wilcox

APPROACH TO THE WORD

Call to Worship Serenitye Taylor

*Song of Praise

What Wondrous Love Is This Anonymus¹

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us oppressive and consuming.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

Confession Response

Lord I Need You M. Maher²

Assurance of Grace

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Three Glimpses of the Table

A Reflection on Trust Mark 14:12-16

I Trust In God B. Lake, C. Brown, M. Wong, S. Furtick

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine

He's been my fourth man in the fire, time after time

Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

And what He did for me on Calvary is more than enough

I trust in God, my Savior

The one who will never fail, He will never fail

Perfect submission, all is at rest

I know the author of tomorrow has ordered my steps

So this is my story and this is my song

I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long

I trust in God, my Savior

The one who will never fail, He will never fail

A Reflection on Grace Mark 14:17-21

O *The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus*S.T. Francis³

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless free
Rolling as a mighty ocean, in its fullness over me
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread his praise from shore to shore
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne

O the deep deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest
O the deep deep love of Jesus, 'tis a heav'n of heaven to me
And it lifts me up to glory for it lifts me up to thee

A Reflection on Remembering Mark 14:22-26

We Will Remember T. Walker⁴

We will remember, we will remember
We will remember the works of Your hands
We will stop and give you praise
For great is Thy faithfulness
You're our creator, our life sustainer
Deliverer, our comfort, our joy
Throughout the ages You've been our shelter
Our peace in the midst of the storm
With signs and wonders You've shown Your power
With precious blood You showed us Your grace
You've been our helper, our liberator
The giver of life with no end
When we walk through life's darkest valleys
We will look back at all You have done
And we will shout, our God is good
And He is the faithful One
Hallelujah, hallelujah
To the one from whom all blessings flow
Hallelujah, hallelujah
To the one whose glory has been shown

THE WORD MADE FLESH

Invitation to the TableGrace Lindvall

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.**

Words of Institution.....Bob Henderson

Communion of the People

You are invited to take communion by intinction. With the ushers' guidance, please come down the center aisle, take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup, and return to your seat by the side aisle. Gluten-free bread is available at the center station. Those wishing to be served in the pew may signal an usher.

Song for Communion

At the Table. J. Garrells⁵

I went the ways of wayward winds, in a world of trouble and sin
Walked a long and crooked mile, behind a million rank and file
Forgot where I came from somewhere back when I was young

I was a good man's child

'Cause I lost some nameless things, my innocence flew away from me
She had to hide her face from my desire to embrace forbidden fire

But at night I dream she's singing over me

Oh, oh, my child, come on home, home to me

And I will hold you in my arms and joyful be

There will always, always be a place for you at my table

Return to me

Wondering where I might begin, hear a voice upon the wind
She's singing faint but singing true, son, there ain't nothing you can do
But listen close and follow me, I'll take you where you're meant to be

Just don't lose faith

So I put my hand upon the plow, wipe the sweat up from my row

Plant the good seed along the way, as I look forward to the day

When at last I see My Father run to me

How He Loves. J.M. McMillan⁶

He is jealous for me

Love's like a hurricane, I am a tree

Bending beneath the weight of His wind and mercy

When all of a sudden

I am unaware of these afflictions eclipsed by glory

And I realize just how beautiful You are

And how great Your affections are for me

And oh, how He loves us, oh

Oh, how He loves us, how He loves us all

And we are His portion and He is our prize

Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes

If His grace is an ocean, we're all sinking

And heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss

And my heart turns violently inside of my chest

I don't have time to maintain these regrets

When I think about, the way...

That He loves us

Oh, how He loves us, how He loves us all

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Closing Song

Never Walk Alone Rodgers & Hammerstein⁷

Silent Prayer for Reflection

Merciful and Loving God, you invite us to your table and we gladly accept. You invite us to follow and we sometimes accept, at least in word, and always long for deeper faithfulness. Tonight, we ask to be fed by mercy and nourished by grace, emboldened in heart and spirit, and equipped to take up the cross and follow in love's sacrificial pattern. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

Please exit the sanctuary in silence.

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Leading Worship

Bob Henderson, senior minister

Serenitye Taylor, associate minister, congregational life

Grace Lindvall, associate minister, education

Jessica Borgnis, director of contemporary music and worship arts

Ricko Hill, assistant director of contemporary worship and arts

Ben Thomas, interim contemporary band leader

Tameka Thomas, interim contemporary worship leader

Anne Fox, scripture reader

Sharing the gifts of music

Jessica Borgnis (piano and vocals), LaVita Hill (vocals), Phil Koonce (acoustic guitar), Ben Thomas (percussion), Henry Trexler (bass), Tameka Thomas (vocals)

WELCOME TO COVENANT

We are happy that you are worshiping with us today. 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.

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.

ADDITIONAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Good Friday, April 3, 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The last words of Christ from the cross are relayed in scripture and music with a traditional Tenebrae service led by the Covenant Choir with guest instrumentalists. Childcare provided.

Children's Saturday Easter Service, April 4, 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Kindergarten class performs the Easter story followed by Easter Egg hunts on our playground. After the service, pet the animals on the Circle and enjoy a sweet treat!

Easter Sunday, April 5

Traditional: 8:45 a.m. Chapel and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

Contemporary: 9:30 a.m. Sanctuary

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