THE LORD'S DAY

September 23, 2018

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Nearer My God to Thee Mason/Kim

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 145:10-13

Leader: All you have made will praise you, O Lord;

People: Your saints will extol you.

Leader: They will tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak

of your might, so that all men may know your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your

kingdom.

People: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and

your dominion endures through all generations.

Leader: The Lord is faithful to all his promises and loving

toward all he has made.

INVOCATION

*HYMN 115 All Creatures of Our God and King

*Prayer of Confession

UNISON: Our Father, you have blessed us with gift of cherished relationships, including marriage, yet we confess that we have not honored your gracious gift. We have taken our closest loved ones for granted. We have failed to love and serve them as we should. We have sinned against them in thought, word, and deed. Forgive us in the Name of the One who is ever faithful, the Bridegroom of your Church, Jesus Christ. May we rest in His grace, and reflect His selflessness in all of our relationships, for your glory. For we pray in His Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Matthew 11:28-30

LEADER: Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 2:4-25 (p. 2)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord Kirkpatrick/Kim

*Doxology 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Peter 2:13-3:7 (p. 858)

**HYMN 586

Take My Life, and Let It Be

SERMON

REFLECTING CHRIST IN MARRIAGE (PART I) Ephesians 5:21-33 (p. 829)

Rev. John Muhlfeld

*Hymn 719

A Christian Home

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

In Christ There Is No East or West

McKee/Wood

*Congregation standing

**Children may be dismissed for Jr. Church during the last stanza (Age 5-Kindergarten: Room 112; Grades 1-3: Room 110)

Please silence all electronic devices.

Please see an usher if you would like to utilize an assisted listening device.

Welcome to all worshipping with us today.

We trust the Lord will strengthen and encourage you
through our fellowship together.

If you are a visitor, please complete the attendance register in full. Upon exiting the main lobby doors, please accept a gift of "welcome bread."

Serving this morning:

Worship Leaders — Rob Barbadoro, Jim Rich Musicians — Covenant Musicians, Yevgeniy Dyo, Emilie Park, Helen Ro

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is one more week to register for the Men's Retreat at Spruce Lake on October 12-14. If you are interested in attending or learning more about the retreat, you may pick up a registration packet in the narthex. Jeff Currier would be happy to answer questions.

The clothing exchange will be on September 27-29 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m.-noon on Saturday. This is an opportunity to reach out to your neighbors and friends by inviting them to come with you and allowing Covenant to be a blessing in their lives. Please contact Jenny Dieffenbach for additional information.

The Tuesday morning ladies' Bible study will resume weekly meetings on October 2 at 9:30 a.m. in room 108. The study this fall will focus on the parables of Jesus. Please contact Emilie Putnam for details.

The Senior Fellowship will attend the free Bach at Noon concert in Bethlehem at the historic Moravian Church on Tuesday, October 9. Lunch will follow at the Coopersburg Dinner. Come and enjoy beautiful music by instrumentalists and the Bach Choir. Cars will depart Covenant at 10:30 a.m. Please sign up in the narthex or contact Joan Freed with questions.

Operation Christmas Child brings the Gospel to children around the world through a simple gift. The Sonflower Girls and Trailblazer Boys will collect and package items for this ministry. Your donation of small gift items will help Covenant's children with this service project and may be placed in the bins near the side door by October 14. Please contact Anna Strickland for details.

Covenant's annual dinner will take place on Friday, October 19 at 6:00 p.m. and the annual meeting will follow at 7:00 p.m. RSVP forms for the catered dinner provided by the church are in mailboxes this morning. Child care will be provided for infants-4th graders.

A sign-up sheet for the next adult membership class with Pastor Muhlfeld is available in the narthex. Attending the class does not obligate one to apply for membership, but is a requirement before meeting with the Session for a membership interview and is an excellent way to learn more about what we believe as a congregation and denomination. The class will be held during the Sunday School hour (9:15 - 10:00 a.m.) and will meet October 21-December 2 in room 103.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 9/23	9:15 10:00 10:30 11:45 5:00		**** 11 0 1
Monday 9/24			
Tuesday 9/25	7:30 7:30	p.m.	Men's Bible Study Women's Bible Study
Wednesday 9/26	9:00	a.m.	MOPS
Thursday 9/27	9:00-3:00		Clothing Exchange
Friday 9/28	9:00-3:00		Clothing Exchange
Saturday 9/29	9:00-noon 9:00	a.m.	Clothing Exchange Pregnancy Center Walk
Sunday 9/30	9:15 10:00	a.m.	Sunday School Heart Hiders
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Officer Candidates' Meet and Greet
	11:45	a.m.	Jr. Bell Choir

For a complete listing of events at Covenant, or for more information on ministries, please visit www.covpreschurch.org



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The mission of Covenant Presbyterian Church is to help people know Christ, grow together in the grace of Christ, and advance the kingdom of Christ, all to the glory and worship of God forever.