

Covenant Presbyterian Church

Sunday, eleven o'clock 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2, 2009

Ritual of Friendship and Congregational Opportunities

(Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.)

Please sign the attendance pads at the end of the pew and turn off cell phones.)

Gathering in God's Name

Sounding of the Hour

Prelude

“Adante Grazioso”

W.A. Mozart

*Call to Worship

Leader: If you come to church because you have much to be thankful for,
or because you have been torn by the world and need healing,
you are in the right place.

If you come because your deeds and words have added to the world's misery,
or because you feel you have betrayed your true self,
you are in the right place.

If you come with a love in your hearts for the Most High,
a love which yearns to grow and spill over into your dealings with others,
then you are certainly in the right place.

The joy of Christ Jesus be with you all!

People: **And also with you!**

*Hymn of Praise # 264

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

*Prayer of Confession



1. Have mer - cy on us, liv - ing Lord, Re - mem - ber not our sin.
Ac - cord - ing to Your stead - fast love Come, cleanse us deep with-in.

Mighty and merciful God,
hear our prayers and be gracious to us,
for the lives we live are not worthy of our calling.
Too often we heed other voices
and obey other powers than your own.
We have wavered in our faith and
wandered from your path.
We forget who we are because we forget who you are.



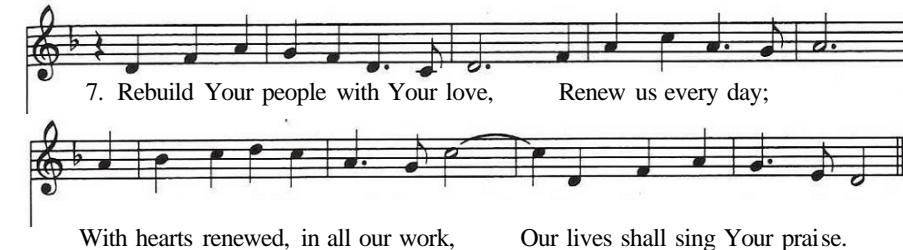
1. Have mer - cy on us, liv - ing Lord, Re - mem - ber not our sin.
Ac - cord - ing to Your stead - fast love Come, cleanse us deep with-in.

By your grace, O God, forgive us.

Restore us to the fullness of life

in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

Make us your grateful servants whose greatest joy is to praise you,



7. Rebuild Your people with Your love, Renew us every day;
With hearts renewed, in all our work, Our lives shall sing Your praise.

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*Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response # 139 (stanza 3)

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour:

Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

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Hearing the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading pg. 285

2 Sam. 11:26-12:13

Anthem

(text can be found in Hymn # 333)

“Seek Ye First”

Karen Lafferty

Children's Moments

***Gateway to Worship*

Deborah Lewis

Gospel Reading pg. 98

John 6:24-35

Sermon

Non-Perishables

Rev. Sharon Amstutz

Responding to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith pg. 15 (Ecumenical version)

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*Communion Hymn # 396

“O for a Closer Walk with God”

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Offering

Offertory "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood" American Traditional Melody

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Going Out to Serve

*Commitment Hymn # 281

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*Benediction

*Sending Response # 535

"Go with Us, Lord"

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in Your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

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*Postlude

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr.: Jerry Ray

(For some, the Postlude serves as festive music to accompany their going back out into the world. Others prefer to remain seated and listen. Those departing can help those who listen by holding their joyful greeting of others until they reach the narthex.)

*For those who are able, please stand.

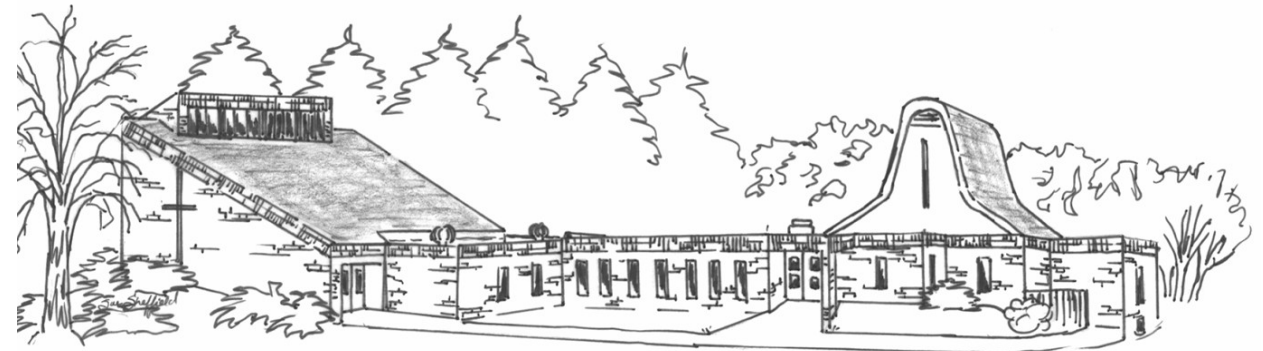
****Gateway to Worship** is our worship program for 4-year olds through first graders. The Gateway leader will take the children to their classroom in the Fellowship Hall after the Children's Moments.

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WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you are here. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join with us in service to Christ.

Please join us in the library immediately after worship for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

The **5-Cents-a-Meal Offering** will be received during the final hymn. You are asked to consider giving 5 cents for each meal you have eaten last month (or any amount you wish) to help feed those who are hungry. This offering supports both local and global hunger programs.

"Lord, in the full assembly
I will praise you for what you have done."
Psalm 22:25



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