



# COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PCA

The Lord's Day

January 22, 2023

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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## Preparation for Worship

**Music for Gathering**

**Announcements**

**Scripture for Meditation**

Romans 8:31-32

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

**Silent Prayer of Preparation**

## God Calls Us Into His Presence

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† **Salutation**

Pastor: We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalm 124:8

† **Call to Worship**

Psalm 96:1-3

## We Respond to God's Call

†\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 75**

*O Father, You Are Sovereign*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

† **Prayer of Adoration**

## God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

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**Call to Confession**

1 John 1:8

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

## We Confess Our Sins

(congregation kneels as able)

**All:** Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. [*Silent prayer of confession*] Amen..

### † Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## We Respond to God's Declaration of Forgiveness

### † The Gloria Patri

(with hands lifted)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, amen.*

### †\* Hymn of Praise, No. 455

*And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

## God Consecrates us By His Word

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### Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament Reading

Psalm 73:1-28

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

### † Psalm 127

**Tune: LEOMINSTER – *Not What My Hands Have Done***

vv. 1-2

Unless God builds the house,  
The workers toil in vain;  
Unless He watches o'er us all,  
The watchmen have no gain.  
In vain we early rise,  
And late retire to rest,  
For God gives precious, needed sleep  
To those He loves the best.

vv. 3-4 All children are a gift  
And treasure from the Lord,  
A token of His constant grace,  
The fruitful womb's reward.  
Like arrows in our hand  
Are children of our youth;  
We nurture, train, and send them forth  
To bear the Word of truth.

v. 5 The blessings of the Lord  
On fruitful families rest.  
Both friend and foe alike shall know  
That they by God are blest.  
Praise God, who builds the house,  
And watches o'er us all,  
And grants His blessings bounteously  
To all who on Him call.

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

† New Testament Reading

**Mark 10: 17-31**

† Congregational Response

James 1:22

Pastor: Be doers of the word,

**People: And not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.**

**Sermon**

*"Wealth and Discipleship"*

**We Respond to God's Instruction**

† Affirmation of Faith

*The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,

and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

*\*catholic=universal*

† **Prayer of Supplication and Intercession**

† **The Lord's Prayer**

**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**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

† **Doxology, No 731**

(with hands lifted)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

# God Communes with Us at His Table

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## The Communion

Eucharistic Meditation & Fencing of the Table

Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ

Hymn No. 420 (hymnal insert)

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ

(Outermost ring of cups contain grape juice; all others contain wine)

Silent Prayer

Prayer

## We Respond to God's Gift

† Hymn of Commitment, No. 585

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

Congregational Response: Amen!

## God Commissions Us to Go Into the World

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† Charge

† Benediction

## We Respond to God's Charge

† Threefold Amen, No. 740

RIFA Dessert, January: Jennifer Bowen, Paula Posey, Jen Straka

Snacks, January 22: Beth Davis, Jen Bowen, Allegra Wright

Snacks, January 29: Fellowship Meal

Nursery, January 22: Debbie Stockwell

Nursery, January 29: Jennifer Davenport, Beth Davis

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### Announcements

- **Sanctity of Life Sunday:** On this day 50 years ago, the Supreme Court issued its decision in Roe v. Wade legalizing abortion throughout the nation. In answer to years of prayer and activism, that decision was reversed last year. Nevertheless, unborn babies remain at risk as each state now creates its own legislation about abortion. Our Prayer of Supplication and Intercession today will focus upon this significant issue.
  - **Evening Service:** You are invited to return for our evening worship service at 5 PM, including our continuing study of the Book of Acts.
  - **Youth Activities:** Our youth will help fill snack backpacks at RiFA this Tuesday, Jan. 24th, 10 – 11 AM. Contact Bethany or Jon Roberts to sign up or if you need a ride. Youth Bible Study will be Wednesday, Jan. 25th, 6 – 8 PM at the Roberts' home.
  - **Wednesday Night Hour of Prayer:** Prayer is needed for each person, family, and ministry of Covenant and also for lifting up Christ in our church, in Jackson, the nation, and the world. Please join us this Wednesday, January 25, at 6:30 PM in the church library.
  - **Congregational Meeting:** Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, during the Sunday School hour. In addition to ministry reports, we will have an officer election. Steve Vos and Jeff Stockwell have been nominated to serve as elders, a position to which both have previously been ordained. We will have a fellowship meal following the meeting. The church will provide pasta and gluten free pasta. Members please bring salads, breads, and desserts.)
  - **By Faith:** The new issue of *By Faith* magazine is available on the hallway table.
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### Looking Ahead

Jan 18, Session Meeting (6 PM)

Jan 29, Congregational Meeting & Fellowship Meal

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### Prayer Requests

Cameron Huelin (Recovery from surgery, strength & healing with chemotherapy and radiation); Bev Vos & family (comfort after 12/5 passing of her mother, Lois Klyn); Ken Campbell (vertigo, settling into new home in PA), Lona Hoover (follow-up from cancer surgery), Levi Vos (treatment for seizures)

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### Missionary Families

Dawson & Shanna Bean (MTW, London), Patrick & Regina Lennox (MTW, Native American pastor training), Tim & Laura Love (MTW, Ethiopia), Jeff & Katie Saunders (MTW, Japan), Jeremy & Gina Sink (Serge, Japan), Luke and Sohka Smith (MTW, Cambodia), Robert & Jeanne Smith (MTW, Latvia), Dan & Susan Steere (ELI, Africa), Michael & Lindie Wadhams (MTW, Washington/Lummi Nation)

# Welcome to Covenant!

If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. ([www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org))

While we encourage children in worship, there is a staffed nursery during the morning worship service.

## Sunday Schedule

8:45 A.M.	Pre-Service Prayer
9:30 A.M.	Morning Worship Service
10:45 A.M.	Fellowship Time
11:00 A.M.	Sunday School
5:00 P.M.	Evening Service

## The Lord's Table

The Lord's Supper is observed every Sunday in response to the Word of God. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed

You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service.

Note: The outer ring alone contains grape juice, all others contain wine.

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### Our Church Officers

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