

# COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

The Lord's Day

November 12, 2023

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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#### Preparation for Worship

Music for Gathering

**Announcements** 

#### **Scripture for Meditation**

1 Peter 2:9-10

You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

#### **Silent Prayer of Preparation**

#### God Calls Us Into His Presence

#### † 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

**t\*** Hymn of Praise, No. 2

O Worship the King

Congregational Response: Amen!

**†** Prayer of Adoration

#### God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

Call to Confession I John1:8

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: Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. [Silent prayer of confession] Amen.

#### **†** Assurance of Pardon

I 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 t (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. 460

Amazing Grace

Congregational Response: Amen!

God Consecrates us By His Word

**Prayer for Illumination** 

**Old Testament Reading** 

Ezekiel 36:22-32

**Congregational Response** 

Elder: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God

+ Psalm 129 Tune: AZMON – O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

vv. 1, 2

Greatly have they afflicted me –

Let Is-ra-el now say –

From youth they seek to trample me,

But have not had their way.

vv. 3. 4

My back they plow with furrows long,

But righteous is the Lord;

He breaks their cords who do me wrong,

And helps me by His Word.

vv. 5, 6

Let all who hate Your Church, O Lord,

Turn backward into shame;

Wilt, wither them by Your strong Word;

Cut off their wicked name.

vv. 7, 8

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Let not the fruit of wickedness

Prosperity obtain;

Let none the wicked ever bless

In Your all-holy Name.

Congregational Response: Amen!

+ **New Testament Reading**  **Ephesians 4:17-24** 

James 1:22

**Congregational Response** 

Pastor: Be doers of the word,

People: And not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

Sermon "Putting on the New Man"

## 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

## t Prayer of Supplication and Intercession

#### t 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

#### The Communion

**Eucharistic Meditation and Fencing of the Table** 

Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ

**Hymn:** *Behold the Lamb,* verses 1 and 2 (printed in bulletin)

Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ

**Hymn:** Behold the Lamb, verses 3 and 4 (printed in bulletin)

**Prayer** 

# We Respond to God's Gift

† Hymn of Faith and Commitment, No. 538 Congregational Response: Amen! More About Jesus Would I Know

### God Commissions Us to Go Into the World

- t Charge
- **†** Benediction

# We Respond to God's Charge

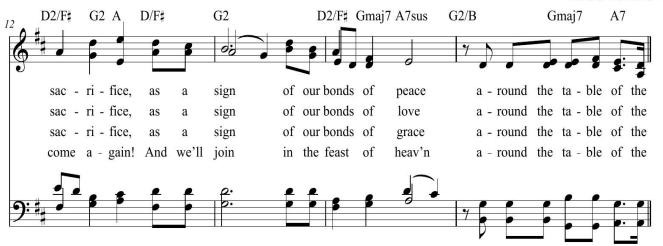
† Threefold Amen, No. 740

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#### **Behold The Lamb**

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend







## **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)
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

5 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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