

NEW COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, January 7, 2024

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

*Congregation asked to stand if able when indicated by **

Prelude

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!
Psalm 108:5

*Call to Worship

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16: 7-9,11

*Hymn of Adoration #55

“To God Be the Glory”

Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Reading

Psalm 26 (pg. 792)

Call to Confession

I hate the double-minded, but I love your law. You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word. Depart from me, you evildoers, that I may keep the commandments of my God. Uphold me according to your promise, that I may live, and let me not be put to shame in my hope! Hold me up, that I may be safe and have regard for your statutes continually! You spurn all who go astray from your statutes, for their cunning is in vain. All the wicked of the earth you discard like dross, therefore I love your testimonies. My flesh trembles for fear of you, and I am afraid of your judgments. Psalm 119:113-120

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35, 37-39

*Hymn of Thanksgiving - Insert

“How Deep the Father's Love for Us”

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer and 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

Tithes and Offerings

You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth. Deuteronomy 8:18

*Doxology #731

(*Tallis Canon*)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Preparation #449

“We Rest on Thee” (vs.1-2)

*Reading of Scripture

Luke 2:22-38 (pg. 1090)

*Gloria Patri #735

(*Greatorex*)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon:

“Christmas: The Aftermath”

*Communion Hymn #246

“Man of Sorrows! What a Name” (vs. 1-3)

*Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn of Response #449

“We Rest on Thee” (vs. 3-4)

*Benediction

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. Hebrews 13:20-21

Announcements and upcoming events:

Today is Discretionary Fund Giving day!
Tonight! Evening worship at 6 pm

Tuesday, January 9th - Presbytery will be at Calvary PCA in Mize, MS

Thursday, January 11 - 12-1 Bible Study in Decker Hall

Save the Date - Men's Fellowship Gathering - First Presbyterian (Jackson) - February 2. More info to come.

If you would like to meet with pastor John, he will be available in his office the following times during the week.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday - 8:30 am - 12:00 pm and 1:30pm - 3:00 pm.

Thursday - 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Should you be interested in setting up a specific time to meet with pastor John or would like a visit, John can be reached on his cell phone at 803-630-9776 and/or his email ncpcfungi@gmail.com.

Nursery Schedule

January 7: Ruthie Hinton

January 14: Kati Trotter

January 21: Ginna Holyoak

January 28: Nancy Hungerford

Church Leadership at New Covenant

Ruling Elders (Session) – Joseph Byrne, Tommy Ellett, Richard Griffing

Elder Emeritus – Frank Heard *Teaching Elder* - John Franklin

Treasurer- Andy Montgomery *Pianist* - Kathy Rogers



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