

NEW COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

Order of Worship for Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 9, 2023

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3

*Call to Worship

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?”

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:55-57

*Hymn of Adoration #277

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Prayer of Invocation

Confession of Faith - Westminster Larger Catechism

Q183: For whom are we to pray?

A183: We are to pray for the whole church of Christ on earth, for government officials and ministers, for ourselves, our brothers and sisters, even our enemies, and for all sorts of men living, or who shall live hereafter; but not for the dead, nor for those that are known to have sinned the sin unto death.

Call to Confession

Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it. Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.” John 11:25-26

Hymn of Thanksgiving #521

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

*Doxology #731

(Tallis Canon)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Preparation #276

“Up from the Grave He Arose”

*Reading of Scripture

Matthew 28:1-10 **(pg. 1061)**

*Gloria Patri #735

(Gretorex)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon:

“Victory Day!”

*Hymn of Response - Insert

“Victory In Jesus”

*Benediction

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Cor. 13:14

Announcements and upcoming events:

The flowers placed in the sanctuary today are from the funeral of Astrid Daly's husband, Mr. Ed Daly. Our continued prayers for the family

April 12th - 10 am - New Covenant women's circle meeting

April 18th - 1 pm - 6 pm - Blood drive for Miller Gamberi and Rose Borum at St. Mary's Family Life Center on Main Street, Natchez

April 18th: 6 pm First Presbyterian Hazlehurst Mens Gathering

April 22 - 8 am - Church grounds workday

April 23- 9:30 - Mark Horn to give church planting report in Sunday school and preach the worship service at 10:30

May 4th- 12 pm - National Day of Prayer on the Natchez bluff at noon. This is put on by the Ministerial Alliance of Adams County. Bring a bagged lunch and chair and join us for your lunch hour as we pray together as a community. Pastor John will be participating in the prayer time.

May 7th - Celebrating 30 years of New Covenant; Ligon Duncan to preach; dinner on the grounds

May 9th - Host 165th stated meeting of Grace Presbytery

May 11th - 12pm - 1 pm. Bible Study. We will plan to study from 12:15 - 12:45. Plan to come and go as your schedule permits. Pastor John will be teaching on the book of Acts. Bring your lunch and invite a friend as we study the Bible together.

Nursery Schedule

April 9: Lynn Britt

April 16: Nancy M.

April 23: Ginna Holyoak

April 30: Kati Trotter

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

Nursery is provided in Decker Hall for children under 5 years old.

Sermon audio is available on our website



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