NEW COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, July 2, 2023 10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Congregation asked to stand if able when indicated by *

Prelude

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple. Psalm 27:4

*Call to Worship

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed. O you who hear prayer, to you shall all flesh come. When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple! Psalm 65:1-4

*Hymn of Adoration #38

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Confession

Jesus told them this parable: "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Luke 15:2-7

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. Psalm 103:8-13

*Hymn of Thanksgiving #55

"To God Be the Glory"

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

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9

*Doxology #731

(Tallis Canon)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Reading of Scripture

Jonah 3:6-10 (pg. 983)

*Gloria Patri #735

(Greatorex)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon:

"A Heart of Repentance"

*Communion Hymn #264

Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross (vs. 1-2)

*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

*Communion Hymn #264

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (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:

Every Thursday - 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.

Wednesday, July 12 - Children of all ages are invited to join us Wednesday evening, July 12th at 6:00 pm on the church grounds as we have a "Backyard Bible club" for our covenant children and their friends. Pastor John will be leading some games, music, and a Bible story time with the children. Any adults/parents who would like to participate are more than welcome! Make sure to invite your friends!

Nursery Schedule

July 2: Kati Trotter
July 9: Beth Bee
July 16: Hannah Griffing
July 23: Ruthie Hinton
July 30: 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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