

all things

New



The Quickening

At the autumn in-gathering, the ground will boil with fallen apples, their fermentation making the feeding cattle tipsy. And in the frost-whiskered creeks, swimming the in-creeping tide, wood ducks will once again nudge each other along, making beatific bird music. And then—Spring! When it is all, everything, thawing, leaping, calling us back in time, in tune, as we, with the whole passionate earth chorale, will practice our scales for the ultimate performance. We'll be, every one of us, overflowing with a brilliant, unstoppable, alleluia joy, singing songs that we'll need not rehearse, since by then we'll know all the tunes and words by heart, with love brimming over our souls' rims, like wine. And together, leaping, rampant with a vertical energy, and freshened voices and a brand-new score, and well-tuned, enthusiastic instruments, and our almighty Lord leading us, we'll sing, and keep on raising heaven's roof without ever needing to stop.

~ Luci Shaw

6th Sunday of Epiphany, February 9, 2025
Covenant Presbyterian Church of Chicago

Welcome to Covenant

Children's programming is available during both services on the lower level, see page 15 for details. Large Print orders of worship and devices to improve hearing are available in the back of the sanctuary.

GOD
GATHERS
US TO
WORSHIP

WELCOME

Pastor Dan Adamson

Prepare for worship

Psalm 86:8-10

*There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.*

*All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord
and shall glorify your name.*

*For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.*



Ho - - ly God, Ho - ly and might - ty,
Ho - ly im - mor - tal one, Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Trisagion, Words, 1st Century prayer; Music, Fernando Ortega, 2011

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 95

Leader: Come let us sing to the Lord;

All: let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Leader: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

All: and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

Leader: For the Lord is a great God,

All: and a great King above all gods.

1. Now with joy - ful ex - ul - ta - tion let us sing to God our
2. For how great a God, and glo - rious, is the Lord of whom we
3. To the Lord, such might re - veal - ing, let us come with rev - erence

praise; to the Rock of our sal - va - tion loud ho - san - nas let us
sing; o - ver i - dol gods vic - to - rious, great is he, our God and
meet, and, be - fore our Mak - er kneel - ing, let us wor - ship at his

raise. Thank - ful trib - ute glad - ly bring - ing, let us
King. In his hand are earth's deep plac - es, al - so
feet. He is our own God who leads us, we the

come be - fore him now, and, with psalms his prais - es
his are all the hills; his the sea whose bounds he
peo - ple of his care; with a shep - herd's hand he

sing - ing, joy - ful in his pres - ence bow.
trac - es, his the land his boun - ty fills.
feeds us as his flock in pas - tures fair.

Psalm 95, Words: Psalter, 1912; Music, arr. from Gregorian Chant by Lowell Mason, 1839

PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

Silent moment of adoration

a prayer of adoration -

O God, our Maker, we bow down and bend our knee before you in adoration. We thank you that your Son, Jesus Christ, came to our world, and that he is present now by the power of your Holy Spirit. Open our hearts and minds to your presence.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Pastor Dan Adamson, 2nd service



De - scend, O Spi-rit, purg-ing flame, ___ brand us this day with Je-sus'
 De - scend, O Spi-rit, as a dove, ___ clothe us this day in Je-sus'
 De - scend, O Spi-rit, be our guide, ___ the voice of God, a migh ty



name! ___ Con-firm our faith, con-sume our doubt; ___ Sign us as
 love. ___ Mark us as chil-dren of the King; ___ Then send us
 tide. ___ Con-vict our sin, com-pel our lives; ___ Spi-rit, keep



Christ's, with-in, with- out, Sign us as Christ's with-in with- out. _
 forth, in Je sus' name, Then send us forth in Je-sus' name.
 us and draw us nigh, Spi -rit, keep us and draw us nigh.

Holy Baptism, Words, vs1, Scott Brenner, 1903, vs.2-3, Steve Hendershot, 2012; Music, Paul vdBijl, 2012

Clara Irene & Bennett Allan Troll, children of Anna & Ian Troll

Prayer of Congregational Blessing:

All: Ever-living God, in your mercy you promised to be not only our God but also the God of our children. We thank you for receiving Clara and Bennett by baptism. Keep them always in your love. Guide them as they grow in faith. Protect them in all the dangers and temptations of life. May they be faithful disciples of your son Jesus Christ to their life's end. In Christ's name, Amen.

All Sing:

"Descend, O Spirit purging flame..."

GOD
 MAKES
 COVENANT
 WITH
 US

There is one
 body and one
 Spirit, just as
 you were called
 to the one hope
 of you calling,
 one Lord, one
 faith, one
 baptism, one
 God and Father
 of all, who is
 above all and
 through all in
 all. - Ephesians
 4:4-6

CONFESSION OF SIN

adap. from Romans 15:1-7

Leader: We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but rather carried our shame and disgrace on himself. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

All: **Father, forgive us for we often seek to please only ourselves and have judgement and criticism for the failings of those around us. Grant us hearts of empathy and a welcoming spirit of love, so that with one voice we may glorify you.**

GOD
FORGIVES
AND
CLEANSES
US

Confess your
sins to one
another and
pray for one
another, that
you may be
healed. James
5:16

To Thee I come a sin-ner poor And wait for mer-cy at Thy door...
To Thee I come a sin-ner foul Yet grant me Lord your fa-vor now...
— In - deed, I've no - where else to flee, Oh
— Mer - cy through blood I make my plea Oh
God be mer-ci-ful__ to me. To Thee I come a sin-ner
God be mer-ci-ful__ to me. To Thee I come a sin-ner
weak and scarce know how to pray or speak, From fear and
great and well Thou know - est all my state, Yet full for -
weak - ness set me free, Oh God be mer-ci-ful__ to me!
give - ness is with Thee, Oh God be mer-ci-ful__ to me!

To Thee I Come, Words: Samuel Medley, 1700s, Music Clint Wells, 2006; addl. txt vdBijl, 2014

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

from Romans 8:1-2

Leader: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: "To Thee I come a sin-ner saved For I have on - ly You to thank. — And where You are I long to be, Oh God be mer-ci-ful_ to me. When You re - turn Oh, Lord at last and there when all my sins are passed, With all the saints I'll then a - gree, Oh God was mer-ci-ful_ to me!" The score includes various musical notations such as quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests, with a double bar line at the end of the sixth staff.

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— And where You are I long to be, Oh
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saints I'll then a - gree, Oh God was mer-ci-ful_ to me!

LESSONS FROM THE WORD

read by Ben Harvey ①, Taylor Nesse ②

Old Testament Lesson -

Hosea 6.4-6, p.754

New Testament Lesson -

Hebrews 10.11-14, p.1006

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOD
SPEAKS
TO US



1. Je - sus, Thou Joy of lo - ving hearts! Thou Fount of
2. Thy truth un - changed hath e - ver stood; Thou sav - est



life, Thou Light of men! From the best bliss that earth im -
those that on Thee call; To them that seek Thee Thou art



parts, We turn, un - filled, to Thee a - gain.
good, To them that find Thee all in all.

Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts, Words: Bernard of Clairvaux, 1150; Music: Henry Baker, 1854

THE WORD

Pastor Aaron Baker

New Wine, Matthew 9:9–17, p.814

⁹ As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

¹⁰ And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

¹⁴ Then the disciples of John came to him, saying, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?” ¹⁵ And Jesus said to them, “Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. ¹⁶ No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch tears away from the garment, and a worse tear is made. ¹⁷ Neither is new wine put into old wineskins. If it is, the skins burst and the wine is spilled and the skins are destroyed. But new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved.”

Bread of the world, in mercy_ broken___ Wine of the soul, in mercy shed. ___

By Whom the Word of lifewas spoken,___ and in Whose death our sins are dead. ___

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,___ look on the tears by sinners shed; ___

so may Your Feast become the channel___ that by Your grace our souls are_ fed.

Bread of the World, Words: Reginald Heber, 1800s; addl. text JoAnna Lee, Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 2023; music by JoAnna Lee, arr. by vdBijl

GOD
COMMUNES
WITH US

Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

2 Corinthians
13:11-14

COME WITH PEACE

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Leader: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise

Greet each other in the name of Christ.

COME WITH GENEROSITY

We come to the Table with a generous heart and give back to God a portion of what he's already given us. Offer your resources back to God in support of the work of the church by placing your offering in the box on the back wall. You can also give online at covenantchicago.org/give, use the QR code on page 16, or text a donation amount to 84321.



Praise God from whom all bles-sings flow. Praise him all crea-tures here be - low.



Praise him a-bove ye heav'-nly hosts. Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709, Music, German Psalter, 1561

COME WITH THANKSGIVING

St. Martin-in-the-fields, Church of England, 2016

Leader: As we approach your table, grant us the peace with each other that we find in you so that we can come to this feast united in love. Accept now our offerings of bread, wine and gifts to you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to the work of your kingdom.

All: Exalted is your name always and everywhere, Lord God, for you created all things. By your grace you wash away our sin and make all things new.

Leader: When your people crossed the Jordan into the Promised Land, you washed away their bondage and betrayals and gave them a new life with you. Your prophet Elisha sent Naaman into this same water to wash in humility and be cleansed of his leprosy.

All: When your Son came to be baptized by John at the Jordan, you brought him up out of the waters to usher in your new creation, your kingdom.

Leader: And so we rejoice with all who are water-washed and Spirit-born, and in the company of those who have crossed over Jordan into the promised land of everlasting life with you, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven as we join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

3. We taste Thee, O Thou li - ving Bread,
And long to feast up - on Thee still; We drink of
Thee, the Foun-tain - head, And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

COME TO THE TABLE

Please note that we serve both red wine and white grape juice. Gluten free bread is available in a separate dish.

Silent prayers for reflection

** written by members of the congregation*

Receiving Communion

Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of baptized Christians. We invite all to partake of this sacrament who trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation.

Prayer for those taking communion

Lord Jesus, your perfect life, your death and resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.

Prayer for those searching for truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of belief **

Lord God, show me how to wrestle with unbelief as Jacob wrestled with the Angel. Turn my questions into faith, answer my doubts with your presence. Show me that while I ask for proof, it is your love that I need. Your promises are secure to the bedrock, strong against the breaking wave of my fear. Let my doubt result into a hard-won faith rooted in your good word. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Grant also that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

** We love to include communion prayers written by the congregation. Scan the code below if you'd like to submit a prayer.*



Song for Communion

You are welcome to join in song:



1. O Lord of light who made the stars,
2. In low - li - ness you came on earth
3. To pay the debt we owed for sin
4. O Spi - rit, now, with our hands rais'd,



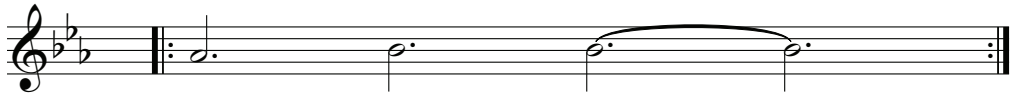
O Dawn, by whom we see the way,
To res - cue us from Sa - tan's snares;
Your pain - ful cross was made the price;
re - ceive these gifts of thanks and praise.



O Christ, re - deem - er of the world:
Oh, won - drous love that healed our wounds
From Bles - sed Ma - ry's womb you came,
Re - veal your - self in Christ our Priest,



Come now and list - en as we pray!
by ta - king on our mor - tal cares.
A vic - tim pure for sa - cri - fice.
through bread and wine, O joy - ous feast!



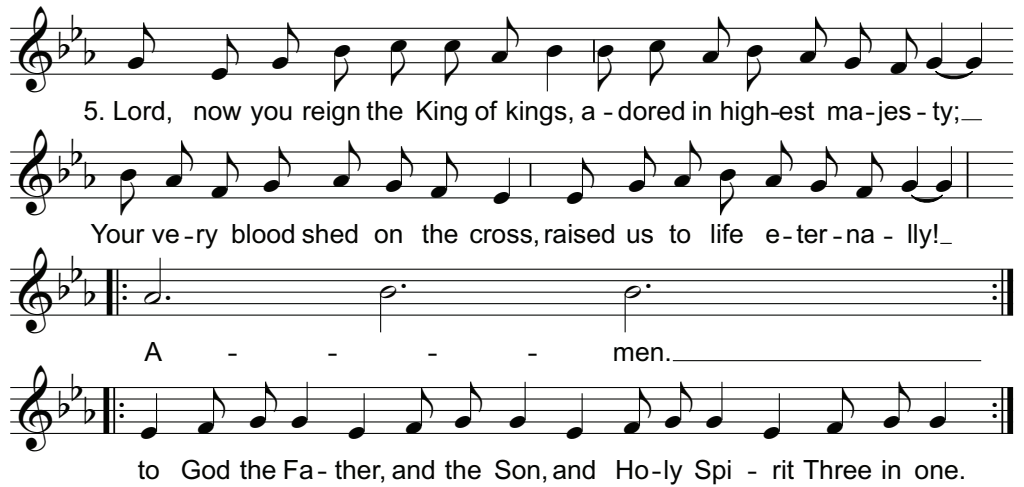
A - - - men.

O Lord of Light, Words: Latin chant, 9th cent., Music: Sarum Plainsong, mode IV

RESPOND TO THE TABLE

Leader: Remembering your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we take from your creation this bread and this wine
and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising,
as we await the day of his coming.
With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you
to be a living and holy sacrifice
dedicated to your service.

**All: Great is this mystery of faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**



5. Lord, now you reign the King of kings, a - dored in high - est ma - jes - ty; -
Your ve - ry blood shed on the cross, raised us to life e - ter - na - lly! -
A - - - - men. - - - -
to God the Fa - ther, and the Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit Three in one.

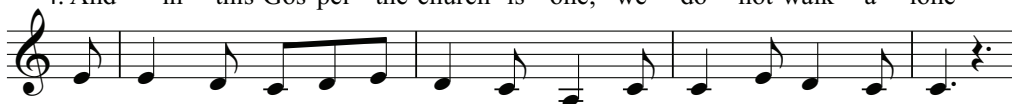
Announcements, events and opportunities at Covenant during the coming weeks

WITH JOY

GOD
SENDS
US



1. There is one Gos-pel on which I stand For all e - ter - ni - ty.
2. There is one Gos-pel to which I cling, all else I count as loss.
3. There is one Gos-pel where hope is found; the emp - ty tomb still speaks.
4. And in this Gos-pel the church is one; we do not walk a - lone



It is my sto - ry, my Fa - ther's plan. The Son has re - scued me.
 For there, where jus - tice and mer - cy meet, he saved me on the cross.
 For death could not keep my Sa - vior down, He lives and I am free.
 We have His Spi - rit as we press on to lead us safe - ly home.



Oh what a Gos - pel, oh what a peace. My high - est joy and my
 No more I boast in what I can bring. No more I car - ry the
 Now on my Sa - vior I fix my eyes, my life is His and His
 And when in glo - ry still I will sing of this old sto - ry that



deep - est need. Now and for - e - ver He is my light.
 weight of sin. For He has brought me from death to life,
 hope is mine! For He has pro - mised I, too, will rise,
 re - scued me. Praise to my Sa - vior the King of life.



I stand in the Gos - pel of Je - sus Christ.
 I stand in the Gos - pel of Je - sus Christ.
 I stand in the Gos - pel of Je - sus Christ.
 I stand in the Gos - pel of Je - sus Christ.

*There is One Gospel, Jonny Robinson & Rich Thompson, St. Pauls Anglican Church
 Castle Hill, New South Wales, Australia, 2022*

WITH BLESSING

Pastor Aaron Baker

1st Service, 9:00am

2nd service, 11:15am

- Nurseries, ages 0-4, lower level
- Children's Worship: preK-5th Grade, lower level
- Nurseries, ages 0-4, lower level

Common Ground, 10:15am

- Nursery: Ages 0-4 (Lower Level)
- Sunday School: PreK-8th (Lower Level)
- Sunday School: High School (Youth Rm, Ed. Building)
- Adult Education: A Rooted Life (Fellowship Hall, Ed. Building)
- Adult Education: Story of Scripture (Conf. Room, Ed. Building)
- Adult Education: Philosophy for the Church (All Saints Room, Lower Level)
- Coffee and snacks in the Fellowship Hall and Library

Volunteers in Service Today:

Communion Servers: Sara Ellison, Mark Lester, Melissa Norton ^(9:00); Christie Kay, Tyler and Lamont Black ^(11:15)

Ushers: Anika Heavener, Jon Skinner, Matthew Clay ^(9:00); David Hofman, Rich van der Molen, Michael Bergstrom ^(11:15)

Welcome Table: Calvin Raab ^(9:00); Jamie Moss ^(11:15)

Musicians: Paul van der Bijl, acoustic guitar, vocals; Adriane Fink, piano; Paul David Young, electric guitar; Mary Heyl, vocals; Angelica Bailey, vocals; Mike Middleton, bass; Inae Kim, violin; Danny Medina, sound technician; Levi Taylor, streaming technician.

Large Print orders of worship and electronic hearing assistance devices are available in the back of the sanctuary. An usher can assist you with finding and using these items.

COMMON GROUND CLASSES

A Rooted Life: Join the Spiritual Formation team for a class exploring what it means to live a life rooted in faith. We will explore ways to build habits that help us to follow Jesus more closely. This week, Holly Lehmann will teach on service. This class has been relocated to the Fellowship Hall.

Story of Scripture: Join the staff for this 6 week class in the Conference Room that is ordered around themes God has woven into Scripture. Each week, we'll trace a theme through the Bible (such as kingdom, law, resurrection) and explore the way God is continuing that story within our own lives. This week, Larissa Bossemeyer will teach on the theme of law.

Philosophy for the Church: A strand in the philosophical tradition from Aristotle onwards is that virtuous activity produces happiness. Can we find happiness through this project? What can theology inform and learn from philosophy about knowledge of self, world, and action? Join us for this 6 week class led by Jason Stanghelle in the All Saints Room. This class presumes a basic understanding of philosophical concepts. This week, we'll look at Heidegger.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Newcomers Gathering: Join us on March 2 from 6 to 8 pm to learn more about Covenant and get to know some of Covenant's staff and others who are new to our community. We'll meet at a home in Roscoe Village for appetizers and desserts. To learn more or to RSVP, contact Pastor Dan (dadamson@covenantchicago.org).

Dinner Together: Join others from Covenant at potluck dinners throughout the city. On March 8 and 15, Covenant will organize dinners for groups of 8-12. If you would be interested in attending or hosting one of these gatherings, please fill out the form on the welcome table or email Pastor Dan (dadamson@covenantchicago.org).

Spring Social: Mark your calendars for Covenant's 2nd annual Spring Social on April 6. Look for more details in the coming weeks.

Small Groups: Covenant small groups meet throughout the city. Small groups are a great way to get to know others at Covenant, study Scripture, and pray together. If you'd be interested in learning more about small groups or leading a group, please contact Pastor Dan (dadamson@covenantchicago.org).

Wednesday Morning Women's Group: Join women from Covenant in the All Saints Room at Covenant from 9:15 to 11 am each Wednesday for a small group. You're welcome to join whether you're able to come weekly or occasionally. Childcare is available. Contact Devon Spencer (devonspencer1112@gmail.com) or Anna Troll (Annelise.troll@gmail.com) with questions about this group.

Pickleball at Covenant: Join others from Covenant for pickleball in the gym on select Saturdays from 9 to 11 am. All are welcome to join; instructors will be available if you're new to the sport. Sign up on our website (covenantchicago.org/pickleball/) for upcoming dates. Questions? Contact Ian Cull (iancull74@gmail.com).

Covenant Women's First Fridays: Join other women of Covenant on Friday, March 7 from 7 to 9 pm for a relaxed gathering in Lincoln Park at 2319 N Halsted, Apt 2. Come and go as it works for your schedule. Please feel free to invite others or bring a friend. If you would like, bring "bites & sips" to share. We hope to see you there! Contact women@covenantchicago.org with questions.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Ushers Needed: Ushers are the first people to greet people as they come to Covenant. They pass out the orders of worship, help people find the bathrooms and classrooms, and help at the end of service to clean up the sanctuary. Most ushers serve once a month. If you'd like to join our usher team, please contact Jon Skinner (skinnerj93@gmail.com).

Volunteer with Children's Ministry: Covenant needs additional volunteers to help in our nurseries, children's worship classroom and Sunday school classrooms. We need volunteers during both services (9:00 and 11:15 am) and during Common Ground (10:15). To volunteer, contact Lynda Adamson (ladamson@covenantchicago.org).

Common Ground Volunteers: Covenant is looking for additional volunteers to help with coffee and snacks for Common Ground. Volunteers help with either setup (9:15-10:30) or clean up (10:45-11:45). Most volunteers serve once a month in teams of three. If you'd be interested, please contact Larissa Bossemeyer (lbossemeyer@covenantchicago.org).

Welcome Table Volunteers: Covenant is looking for a few volunteers to serve at our Welcome Table on Sunday mornings at both services (9:00 and 11:15am). Volunteers will greet people as they leave the service and offer any helpful information regarding adult classes, youth Sunday school, and where to place tear off cards from the bulletin. Interested? Contact Jon Skinner (skinnerj93@gmail.com).

Serve Breakfast at Breakthrough: On the fourth Saturday of every month, Covenant provides breakfast for the Breakthrough women’s shelter. If you are interested in volunteering to help purchase, prepare and serve food to shelter guests, you can reach out to breakthrough@covenantchicago.org for more information or sign up for upcoming dates on our website: <https://covenantchicago.org/events/breakfast-at-breakthrough/>.

Volunteer with World Relief: Consider volunteering with World Relief to support refugee and migrant families in Chicago. They are looking for additional people to sponsor refugee families, drive new arrivals from the airport or participate in a one-time “conversation cafe” to help people work on their conversational English. To learn more about ways you can serve with World Relief, contact Jon Skinner (skinnerj93@gmail.com).

NEWS AND UPDATES

Counseling at Covenant. Covenant’s counselor, Michele Dillion, is available to come alongside members and regular attenders who are going through challenging circumstances of many kinds. If you’re interested in arranging a confidential meeting, email Michele at mdillon@covenantchicago.org.

Parents of Diverse Learners. If you have a child with a disability taking part in our children’s ministry, we would like to try and find ways to meet your child’s unique needs. One of our deacons, Kylene Young, has years of experience as a special education teacher and can work with you and our volunteers to tailor a plan. If you’re interested in learning more, contact Ian (ian@covenantchicago.org) or Kylene (Kyleneyoung@gmail.com).

Sermon Devotional Emails: Twice a week, a team from Covenant sends sermon devotional emails that will help you reflect on and pray through the prior week’s sermon text and Scripture lessons. Email devotional@covenantchicago.org to sign up.

Do you know about the Deacons Fund? If you are experiencing any kind of personal or financial hardship and would like some help, please contact our deacons (deacons@covenantchicago.org). Your email will go directly to the deacons, and they’ll treat it with confidentiality. If you’re able, now is a great time to contribute to the Deacons Fund to meet the needs of others in our congregation. You may contribute to the Deacons Fund by writing “Deacons Fund” in the memo of a check or by selecting the Deacons Fund option on Covenant’s giving site.

Meals Ministry: The Meals Ministry cares for our community by providing occasional meals to individuals and families. If you have recently experienced health problems, have welcomed a new child into your family, or have suffered a loss, please visit covenantchicago.org/meals-ministry/ to request a meal. The Meals Ministry also seeks volunteers to cook and deliver meals, and you can sign up to volunteer through the website link. Questions? Contact meals@covenantchicago.org.

Let Us Pray for You. Covenant’s staff meets to pray for the congregation throughout the week. We would be honored to pray for you. You can share prayer requests by writing them on the tear out portion at the back of the order of worship or by emailing Pastor Dan (dadamson@covenantchicago.org).

Sermon Text Next Week: 2 Corinthians 5.11-21



Giving QR code

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SESSION

Aaron Baker (Moderator), Dan Adamson, David Dillon, Brad Lewis, Joshua Norton, Ryan von Drehle

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Worship Together:

We are made to worship the Triune God, and our worship is always ordered around Jesus Christ and the forgiveness and grace he secured for us by his cross, resurrection and ascension. Gathering around this good news together on Sundays strengthens our appetites, imaginations and abilities to live as followers of Jesus.

Grow and Learn Together:

Learning about our faith and growing together in it forms us into human beings who are fully swept up into the work God is doing to reconcile all things to himself in Jesus. Learning is more than simply knowing; it is the internalization of truth that leads to mature thinking and acting.

Serve Together:

The natural outcome of receiving and experiencing grace is to be propelled outward into mission and service. All of us have been given gifts to use for the good of our common life and for the good of the broken world around us, and we encourage everyone to regularly use their gifts in service.



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