



4th Sunday of  
Pentecost  
June 18  
2023

*Psalm 91*

*He shares our grief and wipes away our tears  
And even in this life he shelters us  
Beneath the shadow of his wings. Our fears*

*And hopes are known to him. His faithfulness  
Will be our shield and buckler. We can trust  
His constancy and know he will be with us;*

*With us through the best and through the worst.  
I may be threatened by the passing harm  
Of outward pestilence, but still I trust*

*He gives his angels charge, and with his arm  
He shelters and embraces me. No power  
Can separate me from his love. His Name*

*Is my protection and delight. I pour  
My heart and soul to him in songs and psalms,  
And he will bring me through my darkest hour.*

*~ Malcolm Guite*

*cover by Leilani Pierson*

*Children's programming is available during both services on the lower level, see page 14 for details.*

*Large Print orders of worship and devices to improve hearing are available in the back of the sanctuary.*

*Green for the Season of Pentecost  
Green represents growth, bountifulness, hope,  
and the victory of life over death in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

## **Welcome**

*Silent moment to prepare for worship*

*By your power may we, with all the saints, comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with your fullness. Amen.*

## Call to Worship

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All: 

from Psalm 34

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**All: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
let the humble hear and be glad.**

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!

**All: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**



1. Lord, I\_\_ will bless you all my days! Your praise shall dwell up - on my tongue;  
2. To him\_\_ the wan-d'rrers lift their eyes, Their fa - ces feel a heav' - nly shine;  
3. God's an - gels help the one that faints, And guard\_\_ the ones that serve the Lord.



My soul\_\_ shall glo - ry in your grace,\_\_ Let all\_\_ re - jice to hear my song!  
A beam\_\_ of mer - cy from the skies\_\_ will bless\_\_ with light and joy di - vine.  
O - bey and love him, all ye saints,\_\_ taste of\_\_ his grace, and trust his word.



O, mag - ni - fy the Lord with me;\_\_ Come, let us all ex - alt his name.



I sought\_\_ the e - ter - nal God and he\_\_ has freed\_\_ my long - ing heart from blame.

Psalm 34, Words: , Isaac Watts, 1720, Music based on a Sacred Harp tune

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

moment of silent adoration

*O God, our Maker, we adore you and magnify you and bless your name. You are the living bread and we can taste and see that you are good and we find our refuge in your grace and your mercy.*

Leader: Come Holy Spirit

**All: visit us with your presence today. Amen.**

2nd service only

## Sacrament of Baptism

*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*

### Sing to Prepare, Ocean of Mercy

All:

Come on\_ down, child-ren of God, to the Oc - ean of  
mer - cy\_ at the foot of the cross.\_ On the banks of the riv-er of  
love, you will find your re-demp-tion, in the Sav-ior's shed blood.  
Bro - ther, sis - ter, child-ren, all, hear the Sa - vior's gent-le  
call, to be wash'd pure and made whole.

The musical score is written for a single voice part. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 6/8 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score consists of five lines of music. The first line starts with a common rest and ends with a double bar line. The second line continues the melody. The third line has a 6/8 time signature change. The fourth line has a common rest. The fifth line ends with a double bar line.

**Jackson James Hoover**, son of Adam and Karen

### 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 **Jackson** by baptism. Keep him always in your love. Guide him as he grows in faith. Protect him in all the dangers and temptations of life. May he be a faithful disciple of your son Jesus Christ to his life's end. In Christ's name, Amen.

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call, to be wash'd pure and made whole.

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# Confession of Sin

from Titus 2:11-12

Leader: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age.

All: **Father, deliver us from the evil without and within. Forgive us the ways we embrace ungodliness and worldly passions and grant us the strength to live godly lives in this present age.**

*Silent time to pray and confess*



1. Grace will pre-vail,\_\_\_ Though the dark-ness is strong And the  
2. Grace will pre-vail\_\_\_ in the val-leys of shame, Where the  
3. Grace will pre-vail\_\_\_ Through the wreck-age and storm, And the

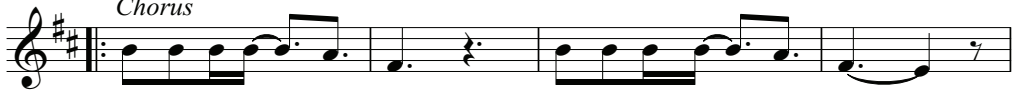


bur-den weighs hea-vy and long.\_\_\_ Grace will pre-vail.\_\_\_ For our  
e-choes of fail-ure re-main.\_\_\_ Grace will pre-vail,\_\_\_ With the  
brok-en-ness washed on the shore.\_\_\_ Grace will pre-vail,\_\_\_ Though an



God is the Light,\_\_\_ Re-nding the co-ver of night. Grace will pre-vail\_\_\_  
cry to the Lord, There's a moun-tain of mer-cy in store. Grace will pre-vail.\_\_\_  
o-cean we cry,- He is with us and weeps by our side. Grace will pre-vail.\_\_\_

## *Chorus*



Wait for the Lord, our God. Wait for the Lord, our God. \_\_\_



Wait for the Lord, our rest and re-ward and our peace.

*Grace Will Prevail, by Kirk Sauers and Paul Ranheim, First Presbyterian, Augusta, GA, 2022*

## Renunciation of Evil

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Leader: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

**All: I renounce them.**

Leader: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

**All: I renounce them.**

Leader: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

**All: I renounce them.**

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ as your Savior?

**All: I do.**

Leader: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

**All: I do.**

*Bridge*



Take heart, he has o - ver - come the world. He has o - ver - come.  
Grace will pre - vail.

## Assurance of Pardon

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*from Titus 2:13-14*

Leader: We wait for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

### Sing to Assure

*Chorus*



Wait for the Lord, our God. Wait for the Lord, our  
God. Wait for the Lord, our rest and re - ward and our peace.  
Grace will pre - vail.

# Lessons from the Word

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read by *Caroline Hoit* ①, *Linda and Steve Smith* ②

Old Testament Lesson - Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, p.497  
New Testament Lesson - 1 Peter 5:6-11, p.1016

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

God the Fa - ther, and the Son, by the Spi - rit's pre - sent pow'r  
ga - ther us to pray this hour. Join - ing with cre - a - tion's song,  
fill the earth with breath and praise e - ver lift - ing up your name!  
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!"

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is in a soprano register. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The final phrase, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!", is repeated twice with a slur over the three notes in each instance.

*Music by Kate Bluett, Holy Cross Catholic Church, The Colony, TX and Paul Zach, Christ Episcopal Church, Charlottesville, VA, 2022.*



# The Word

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The Reverend Ron May

Deliver Us From Evil, Mark 5:1-15 p.840

<sup>1</sup> They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup> And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup> He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, <sup>4</sup> for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup> Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. <sup>6</sup> And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. <sup>7</sup> And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." <sup>8</sup> For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" <sup>9</sup> And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." <sup>10</sup> And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup> Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, <sup>12</sup> and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." <sup>13</sup> So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.

<sup>14</sup> The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. <sup>15</sup> And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid.

**All: 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, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

# Sacrament of Communion

2 Corinthians 13:11-14: 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. All the saints greet you.

Leader: The Lord be with you

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them 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*

*Giving back to God a portion of what he's already given us is an important part of the Christian life. The bread and wine we use in communion are a picture of the gifts that God has given us, offered back to him as an act of worship. You can offer your resources back to God in support of the work of the church by placing your offering in the boxes in the back on the way out. You can also give online at [covenantchicago.org/give](http://covenantchicago.org/give), use the QR code on page 15, or text a donation amount to 84321.*



1. The Lamb has ov - er - come; the Lamb has ov - er -  
2. No grave could hold Him down; No grave could hold Him  
3. At God's right hand is He; at God's right hand is



come. The bat-tle's done and the vic-tor-y is won; the  
down. Up from the ground "He is ris-en!" was the sound; No  
He. Our Per-fect Plea as He lives to in - ter cede; At

## Chorus



Lamb has ov - er - come.  
grave could hold him down.  
God's right hand is He. (to CHORUS) Worth - y is the



Lamb who was slain Glor - y be un - to His name. Worth - y



is the Lamb who was slain; glor - y be un - to His name.

*The Lamb Has Overcome, Words and Music: Luke Morton, 2011, Green Lake Presbyterian Church, Seattle, WA.*

# The Great Thanksgiving, by Samuel Wells, vicar, 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: It is our delight and our privilege to lift our hearts to you, our Lord and God.**

Leader: In this Communion Feast you give us the pattern of our salvation.

**All: In the inadequacy of loaves and fishes  
we see our paltry offerings from the gift of your creation;**

Leader: but just as in incarnation, cross, and resurrection you took, and blessed, and broke, and shared our human nature in Jesus,

**All: so he took, and blessed, and broke, and shared the loaves and fish  
to be an overflowing banquet of glory for your hungry people.**

Leader: Through the abundance of twelve baskets left over, you invite us to share your feast, with angels and archangels, and all the company of heaven, and the saints on earth, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

**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.**



4. The tab-le now is spread; The tab-le now is spread. This



wine and bread brok- en bod-y and blood shed; The tab-le now is spread.

*Chorus*



Worth-y is the Lamb who was slain; glor - y be un - to His name.



Worth-y is the Lamb who was slain; glor - y be un - to His name.

# Distribute the Bread & Cup

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

## **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, and seek strength to live more faithfully for him.

## **Silent prayers for reflection**

### *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*

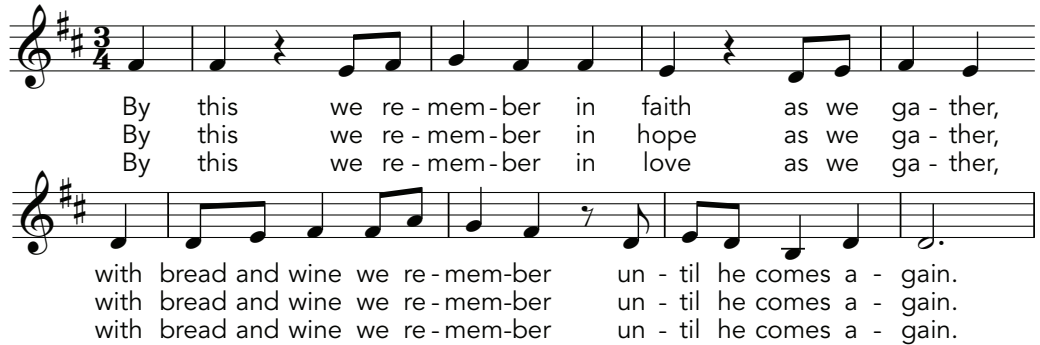
*Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. 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.*

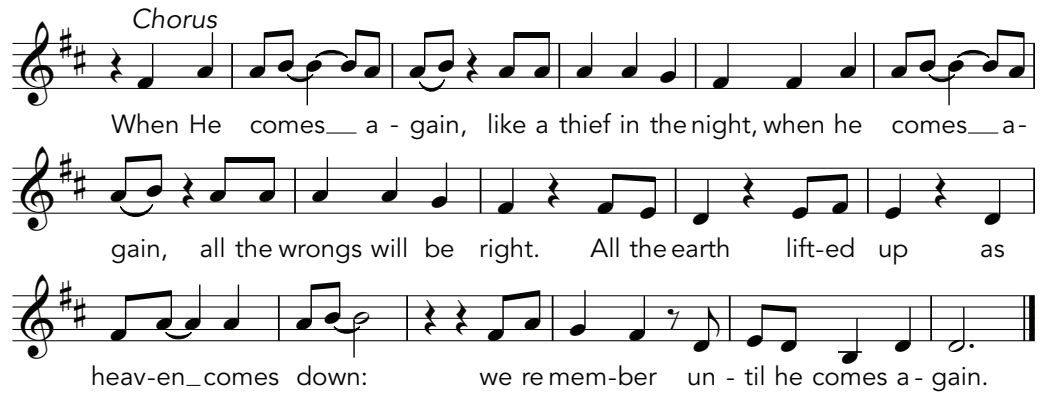
## Music for Communion

You are welcome to join in song:



By this we re-mem-ber in faith as we ga-ther,  
By this we re-mem-ber in hope as we ga-ther,  
By this we re-mem-ber in love as we ga-ther,  
with bread and wine we re-mem-ber un-til he comes a-gain.  
with bread and wine we re-mem-ber un-til he comes a-gain.  
with bread and wine we re-mem-ber un-til he comes a-gain.

*Chorus*



When He comes a-gain, like a thief in the night, when he comes a-gain,  
gain, all the wrongs will be right. All the earth lift-ed up as  
heav-en comes down: we re-mem-ber un-til he comes a-gain.

*Until He Comes Again by Sandra McCracken, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN, 2022*

## 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. The day is draw - ing near; The day is draw - ing  
near. He shall ap - pear and will wipe a - way each tear; The  
**Chorus**  
day is draw - ing near. Worth - y is the  
Lamb who was slain Glor - y be un - to His name. Worth - y  
is the Lamb who was slain; glor - y be un - to His name.

## The Work of the People

*Romans 12:4–6, For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them.*

### **in community**

Events and opportunities at Covenant during the coming weeks.

## Go With Joy

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Leader: Father, as we enter this week, deliver us from evil without and within and shelter us in the shadow of your might,

All: for you are our strength, and our salvation, our refuge and our fortress.

1. He who dwells in the shel-ter of the\_ Most High God will a-bide, will a-  
2. I will say to the Lord, my strength, my sal - va - tion, I'll a-bide, I'll a-  
bide, will a - bide, in the sha-dow of His\_ might.\_\_\_\_  
bide, I'll a - bide, in the sha-dow of Your\_ might.\_\_\_\_ For his an - gels\_ will  
guard you\_ and His strength will en - fold you.\_\_\_\_ With their hands they will lift you  
up, with their hands they will lift you\_ up. (to verse 1) You are my  
re - fuge, my for - tress, my God in\_ whom I trust, my I trust.\_

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff has two verses of lyrics. The second staff is labeled 'Chorus' and has lyrics. The third staff has lyrics. The fourth staff is labeled '(to verse 1)' and 'Bridge' and has lyrics. The fifth staff has two endings labeled '1.' and '2.' with lyrics.

Psalm 91, Music: Paul van der Bijl, 2014

## Benediction

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Romans 15:5–7 *May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

# Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church

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## TODAY AT COVENANT

### 1st Service, 9am

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

### 2nd service, 11:15am

- Nurseries, ages 0-4, lower level

### Common Ground, 10:15am

- Nursery: Ages 0-4 (Lower Level)
- Family Class: Into the Wardrobe (Fellowship Hall, Ed Building)
- Praying the Lord's Prayer: (Library, Ed Building)
- **Coffee and snacks available in both classrooms and in the courtyard**

### Volunteers in Service Today:

Communion Servers: Linda Gehrs, David Hoover (9:00); Matthew Siefert, Andrew Dykstra, James Leach (11:15)

Ushers: Christie Kay, Mark Hicks (9:00), Andrew Dykstra, James Leach (11:15)

Musicians today: Cassidy Miller, vocals; Adriane Fink, piano; Jeff Wakolbinger, drums; Brian Riggs, bass; Adèle-Marie Buis, oboe; Paul van der Bijl, vocals, guitar; Liam van der Bijl, sound tech.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

**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.**

**One Service Sundays:** We'll have one service at 10:15 am on June 25, July 2, August 27 and September 3. There will be no Common Ground on these days. Childcare will be available during service for children birth through 5th grade. Plan to join us for an all-church cookout after service on June 25 and August 27.



**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](mailto:breakthrough@covenantchicago.org) for more information or sign up for upcoming dates on our website: <https://covenantchicago.org/events/breakfast-at-breakthrough/>.

**Into the Wardrobe.** In each week of this family friendly class, we'll read an excerpt from *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*, and discuss the ways that C.S. Lewis tucks the gospel story into his fanciful book full of good, evil and a never-ending winter. Kids and adults are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for this discussion-based class starting today at 10:15.

**Praying the Lord's Prayer:** Join us during Common Ground today to pray through the Lord's Prayer together. We'll use our imagination and Scripture from past sermons to pray through different parts of the Lord's Prayer. This class will be led by David and Jeanie Hoover in the Library at 10:15.

**Summer Dinners Together:** Join others from Covenant for potluck gatherings throughout the city this summer. On July 8 and 29, Covenant is organizing backyard dinners for groups of 12-20 throughout the city. If you'd be interested in attending or hosting one of these get-togethers, please fill out the form on the Welcome Table, on our website (<https://covenantchicago.org/events/dinner-together/>) or email Larissa Bossemeyer ([lbossemeyer@covenantchicago.org](mailto:lbossemeyer@covenantchicago.org)).



**June 25 Cookout:** Join us for an all-church cookout on June 25. That day, we'll have one service at 10:15 followed by a cookout in the grassy lot. Covenant will provide meat for the grill, but we ask that everyone bring a dish to share according to the first letter of their last name:

**A-L:** Side dish or chips

**M-R:** Desserts

**S-Z:** Fruit, Veggies, salad

We need many volunteers to make the day a success. If you'd be willing to help set up tables in the grassy lot, help with food prep, or to help clean up after the cookout, please contact Larissa Bossemeyer ([lbossemeyer@covenantchicago.org](mailto:lbossemeyer@covenantchicago.org)).

**Pickleball at Covenant:** Join others from Covenant for pickleball in the gym on some 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/](http://covenantchicago.org/pickleball/)) for upcoming dates: July 1, 15, 22 and 29. Questions? Contact Jenna Hammond ([jenaomia@gmail.com](mailto:jenaomia@gmail.com)).

**Musicians Needed:** If are interested in being a part of the worship team on Sunday mornings, please contact Paul van der Bijl at [pvanderbijl@covenantchicago.org](mailto:pvanderbijl@covenantchicago.org)

**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 Margaret-Ann Natsis ([margretann.natsis@gmail.com](mailto:margretann.natsis@gmail.com)).



**Gospel Justice Center:** Please pray for Covenant's Gospel Justice Center, a legal-aid clinic created in partnership with Together Chicago and Administer Justice, and run entirely by Covenant volunteers. On the second Saturday of every month, we welcome our neighbors with legal questions from the Logan Square, Bucktown, Garfield Park and Humboldt Park neighborhoods. Please pray for us to care well for our guests, and pray for us to grow in our ability to become a more known presence in our neighborhood.

**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 Ian Troll ([ian@covenantchicago.org](mailto:ian@covenantchicago.org)).

**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](mailto:devotional@covenantchicago.org) to sign up.

**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/](http://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](mailto: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 David ([dsalsedo@covenantchicago.org](mailto:dsalsedo@covenantchicago.org)).



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## Session

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## **Covenant Life**

### **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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