



Order of Worship
For Honor and Praise of the God

COMING TOGETHER

Prelude Anthony Xu, organ
Moment for Mission – Mobile Meals Morgan Magelssen
Welcome
Call to Worship Liturgist
One: God calls us to service,
All: rather than honor.
One: God calls us to love the unknown,
All: rather than the familiar.
One: We come to this time of worship,
All: trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ,
One: who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Passing the Peace

*** Hymn 645** Sing Praise to God Mit Freuden Zart
Who Reigns Above

*** Call to Confession** Liturgist
God invites us to mutual love. But to find that mutuality, we must release our need for honor, our desire for privilege. In humanity let us seek forgiveness, trusting in the promises of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*** Prayer of Confession** Liturgist
Merciful God, forgive us when we exalt ourselves and mock the humble. We choose to believe we are self-sufficient rather than trust in your strength.
Open us to your spirit, that we might serve all people without regard to the outcome, devoting ourselves to your honor alone. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*** Assurance of Pardon** Liturgist
God rejoices when we repent and return, offering us finest wheat and honey from the rock to sustain us in new life. Rejoice! For we have been reconciled to God and to one another. With joy, let us seek the honor of God’s service. **Amen!**

*** Gloria - 583** Glory to God Taizé

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Please be seated as the children come forward
for the Children’s Moment.

Hymn 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Ellacombe
(Verse 1)

Children’s Moment Morgan Magelssen

Hymn 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Ellacombe
(Verse 3)

Prayer for Illumination Liturgist
God of Wisdom, open us to the work of your Spirit, that we may hear and faithfully respond to your holy Word. **Amen.**

Hymn 175 Seek Ye First Lafferty
(Verse 1)

SCRIPTURE

Psalter Lesson Psalm 81:1, 10-16; pg. 541
Gospel Lesson Luke 14:1, 7-14; pg. 77

Sermon “A Promise” Ron Butts

*** Hymn 722** Lord, Speak to Me Canonbury
That I May Speak

Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day, he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From then he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Ron Butts
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.

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

The Invitation to the Offering Ron Butts
Offertory For the Beauty of the Earth Sleeth
Covenant Singers
Anthony Xu, piano

*** Doxology – Hymn 606**
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Old Hundredth

*** Dedication of the Offering** Ron Butts

GOING OUT IN MISSION

*** Hymn 463** How Firm a Foundation Foundation
(Verses 1, 2, 3, and 4)

*** Charge and Benediction** Ron Butts

*** Hymn 463** How Firm a Foundation Foundation
(Verse 5)

Postlude Anthony Xu, organ



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Welcome, Guests and Visitors!

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! We hope and pray that you will grow in relationship with the living God as we worship together. Members and guests are asked to sign the Ministry of Friendship book as it is passed from the front pew to the back.

New members come into our fellowship by Profession of Faith, Letter of Transfer, or Reaffirmation of Faith. Please call the church office (405)751-2546 or speak to a serving elder, denoted by a gold flag on their name tag, for more information.

About Our Worship

In worship, God is the audience. We are participants who have gathered to give thanks and praise. In reverence to God and out of respect for other worshippers, please silence your cell phones.

Children are welcome in worship each Sunday. Activity tote bags for children are available at the welcome table each week. The nursery is open for parents with little ones as well.

The congregation is invited to stand, in body or spirit, when an asterisk (*) is notated in the bulletin. Where there is **bolded** text, the congregation is invited to speak aloud in unison.



We are looking for people who have stories, memorabilia, or photos to share from Covenant over the years. To celebrate the life of our church, we need people to help with preparation for events over the course of the year as well!

Interested in volunteering or sharing your memories of our church home? Contact the church office!

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Staff and Participants in Worship:

Rev. Kathleen Luke Minister
Ron Butts Elder
Emily Sawyer Administrative Assistant
Morgan Magelssen Music Director
Alice Showalter Childcare Provider
Meagan McCrary Orchestra Assistant
Anthony Xu Accompanist
John Magelssen Streaming Attendant
CPC Orchestra Music
Covenant Singers Music
Bev Jackson Liturgist
Stevie Sawyer Acolyte

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Hours of Operation:

Monday through Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
August 31, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.

Let mutual love
continue.

Hebrews 13:1