



Order of Worship  
For Honor and Praise of the Triune God

GATHER AND UNITE TO WORSHIP GOD

**Welcome**

**Passing the Peace**

**Prelude**      *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      Arr. Richey  
Mason Alldredge, organ

**Call to Worship**      Liturgist

One:    God is good and loving to the faithful.  
         Give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us!

All:    God is good! Praise the Lord!

**\* Hymn 307**      *God of Grace and God of Glory*      CWM Rhondda

**\* Call to Confession**      Liturgist

We live with this reality: God never forgets what we have done but, in mercy, forgives those whose hearts are full of repentance. Let us confess those things that break our relationship with God, assured that God will never break relationship with us.

**\* Prayer of Confession**      Liturgist

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Martha. We get distracted in our routines, so busy with our daily chores that we forget to take the time to stop and breathe, to look up and to notice the creation you have given and the way it speaks about your love and passion for your people. We do not take time to listen for your words while reading the Bible, while listening to music, while talking to friends, and we become worried and upset about many things.

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Mary. We devote our time to looking up, thinking that everything we are commanded to do is to love God, and we forget to serve our neighbor, and to commit our time to the concrete work of the church, forgetting to get our hands dirty.

God of balance, help us: forgive us when we do not know when to be workers and when to be hearers. In your mercy, heal our worries and our judgements, so that we can, indeed, keep the best part. In the name of our loving Master. Amen.

**\* Assurance of Pardon**      Liturgist

Before, because of our evil thoughts and actions, we were strangers and enemies of God. Now, we have been reconciled to God by the death and resurrection of Christ. Now, we can live in peace restored by the blood shed on the cross. Live thankfully! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

**\* Gloria - 582**      *Glory to God,*      Vasile  
                                 *Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

**Children’s Moment**      Morgan Magelssen

**Hymn 830**      *Jesus, Priceless Treasure*      Jesu, Meine Freude  
                                 (Verse 1)

**Prayer for Illumination**      Liturgist

Open our hearts and our minds, so that we can understand the fullness of your Word. Fill us with the light of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Christ, the Word revealed. **Amen.**

**Hymn 288**      *Spirit of the Living God*      Irregular  
                                 (Verse 1)

SCRIPTURE

**Old Testament Lesson**      Amos 8:1-12; pg. 856

**Psalter Lesson**      Psalm 52; pg. 521

**Epistle Lesson**      Colossians 1:15-28; pg. 200

**Gospel Lesson**      Luke 10:38-42; pg. 72

**Sermon**      “Visionary Leadership”      Ron Butts

**\* Hymn 450**      *Be Thou My Vision*      Slane

**Affirmation of Faith**      Excerpt from *Nicene Creed*

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Prayers of the People 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**      *Offertory*      Beck  
                                 Covenant Singers  
                                 Mason Alldredge, piano

**\* Doxology – Hymn 606**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*      Old Hundredth

**\* Dedication of the Offering**      Rev. Charlie Smith

GOING OUT IN MISSION

**\* Hymn 331**      *God of the Ages,*      National Hymn  
                                 *Whose Almighty Hand*  
                                 (Verses 1, 2, and 3)

**\* Charge and Benediction**      Ron Butts

**\* Hymn 331**      *God of the Ages,*      National Hymn  
                                 *Whose Almighty Hand*  
                                 (Verse 4)

**Postlude**      *Great is the Lord*      Smith  
                                 Mason Alldredge, 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  
CPC Orchestra ..... Music  
Covenant Singers ..... Music  
John Magelssen ..... 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

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C  
July 20, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.



He himself  
is before all things,  
and in him  
all things  
hold together.

Colossians 1:17