



covenant.presbyterian.church

Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day

April 12, 2020

Covenant's Mission Statement
Covenant seeks to glorify God by
Establishing Disciples biblically,
Engaging Culture redemptively,
Expanding Christ's Church faithfully.

Covenant's Values
Covenant is *biblical* by affirming the Bible as the
authoritative Word of God,
connectional by affiliating with the Presbyterian Church
in America (PCA),
confessional by adhering to the Westminster Standards,
missional by seeking to spread the Gospel worldwide, and
relational by encouraging families to build community.

*The Lord's Day
Easter Sunday*

*But the angel said to the woman,
"Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.
He is not here, for He has risen, as he said.
Come, see the place where He lay."
Matthew 28:5-6*

Prelude During the prelude, prepare for worship by
reflecting on Matthew 28:5-6 printed above.

Welcome

Greeting Pastor: Christ, the Lord, He is Risen!
Congregation: He Is Risen Indeed!

Call to Worship Revelation 5:9-10, 12, 13

*And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to
take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our
God, and they shall reign on the earth."*

*...saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who
was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom
and might and honor and glory and blessing!"*

*And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth
and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in
them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to
the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might
forever and ever!"*

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, for ever.
Amen.

Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
sing ye heav’ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
death in vain forbids His rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
fol-l’wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia!
ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail ,the Lord of earth and Heav’n! Alleluia!
Praise to Thee by both be giv’n; Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!

CCLI 209271

Hymn

“Up from the Grave He Arose”

Low in the grave he lay- Jesus, my Savior,
waiting the coming day- Jesus, my Lord.

Refrain: Up from the grave He arose,
with a mighty triumph o’er His foes.
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
and He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed- Jesus, my Savior;
vainly they seal the dead- Jesus, my Lord.

refrain

Death cannot keep his prey- Jesus, my Savior;
He tore the bars away- Jesus, my Lord.

refrain

CCLI 209271

Corporate Profession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:1-10

Kevin Breniman, Ruling Elder

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Congregational Prayer

Kevin Breniman, Ruling Elder

Hymn

“There Is a Redeemer”

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank You, O, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain.
Thank You, O, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face,
and there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.
Thank You, O, my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Melody Green c. 1982 Birdwing Music U.B.P./A.R.R. / CCLI 209271

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from the grave, and crowned Him Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before Him or acknowledged His rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him glory.

Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people, obeying the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who rules the world and is head of the church, His body. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:8-10

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God, who from His altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all;
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all;
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that, with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

CCLI 209271

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

[5] Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, [6] who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, [7] but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. [8] And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. [9] Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, [10] so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, [11] and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (ESV)

Sermon

“The Sign of Victory”

Pastor Reed

I. His Resurrection.

II. His Ascension.

III. His Enthronement.

IV. His Judgment.

Hymn

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends His burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose pow’r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end; and round His pierced feet
fair flow’rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail! for Thou has died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

CCLI 209271

Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

MEMBERS OF SESSION
(PT - Partial Term)

Class of 2020
Dan Butkowski

Class of 2021
J. C. Baker (PT)
Kevin Breniman
Jerry Potts

Class of 2022
Jeff Nissen
Tom Paulus
Bill Scholl

TEACHING ELDER
Tim J. Reed, Senior Pastor

BOARD OF DEACONS
(PT - Partial Term)

Class of 2020
John Dambaugh
Ben Russ (PT)
Jason Van Goor (PT), Chairman

Class of 2021
William Fennell
David Matlock
Jeff Rooker

Class of 2022
Bob Davis
Tom Fox

STAFF

Tim J. Reed, Senior Pastor
Derek Coyle, Assistant Pastor
Liz Baker, Choir Director

Mike Walsh, Pianist
Ben Russ, Bookkeeper
Peggy Washburn, Administrative Assistant

COVENANT'S MISSIONARY FAMILIES

Paul & Connie Backstrom, Little Rock
Peter & Jenny Boling, Mexico
Dan & Nancy Butkowski, Little Rock
Scott & Kathy Craig, Mexico
Roger & Laura Dye, South Carolina
Del & Hazel Farris, Ministry to State
Jamie & Jacki Gildard, France
Rob & Jenny Ilderton, England

Darlene Johnson, Japan
Tom & Karen Mirabella, Japan
Pete & Ruth Mitchell, France
Joel & Jessica Rinn, Italy
Jim & Karan Romaine, New York City
Jim Wroughton, Peru
Will & Martha, International
Wes & Kim, Undisclosed

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
One Covenant Drive • Little Rock, AR 72211 • 228-5903 • 228-9534 (Fax)
cpc@covenantpca.com • www.covenantpca.com
A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America