

# THE LORD'S DAY

October 25, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE      Make Me a Captive, Lord      Howard/Giamanco

CALL TO WORSHIP      Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

**People: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.**

Leader: Come and see the works of the LORD, he makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.

**People: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

INVOCATION

\*HYMN 92      A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**UNISON: Our Father, we confess how often we forget that you have saved us for a purpose: that we might collectively proclaim your glory to the nations. You have called us to be your witnesses and ambassadors, in both word and deed, so that others might be drawn to the light of Christ. Forgive us the many times we have lived only for ourselves. Forgive us our inward and short-term focus. Renew us in the holy mission you have set us upon as your people. For we pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON      1 Peter 3:18, 4:11

LEADER: For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit ... so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Ezekiel 2 (p. 587)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY      Jesus Is All the World to Me      Thompson/Kim

\*DOXOLOGY 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING      2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2 (p. 818)

\*HYMN 447      Christ for the World We Sing

SERMON      AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST  
Luke 10:1-24 (p. 734)  
Dr. John Muhlfeld

\*HYMN 345      Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE      This Is My Song      Sibelius/Wagner

*\*Congregation standing*

*Welcome to all worshiping with us today.  
We trust the Lord will strengthen and encourage you  
through our fellowship together.*

*If you are a visitor, please complete a welcome card on the table  
outside the sanctuary.*

Serving this morning:

Worship Leaders — Jeff Currier, John Rohrman

Musician —Helen Ro

Audio/Visual Technicians — Steve Bikle, Jeff Currier, Greg Fisher

*Please silence all electronic devices.*

*Please see an usher if you would like to utilize an assisted listening device.*

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

GOD:

*God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Ps. 46:1*

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be?  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great;  
 Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,  
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,  
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

## Christ for the World We Sing

THE CHURCH:

*Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations. Luke 24:47*

1. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 2. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 3. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
 4. Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring

with lov - ing zeal; the poor and them that mourn, the faint and  
 with fer - vent pray'r; the way - ward and the lost, by rest - less  
 with one ac - cord; with us the work to share, with us re -  
 with joy - ful song; the new - born souls whose days, re - claimed from

o - ver - borne, sin - sick and sor - row worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 pas - sions tossed, re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 proach to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 er - ror's ways, in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

Samuel Wolcott, 1869

ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4.  
Felice de Giardini, 1769

## Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

THE CHURCH:

*Glorious things are said of you, O city of God. Ps. 87:3*

1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;  
 2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,  
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear  
 4. Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y I, through grace, a mem - ber am,

he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode:  
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move:  
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near:  
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name:

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?  
 who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage?  
 thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,  
 fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure, all his boast - ed pomp and show;

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
 grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.  
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which he gives them when they pray.  
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

John Newton, 1779

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7.D.  
Franz Joseph Haydn, 1787

# SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	October 25	November 1	November 8	November 15
<b>Worship Service Nursery</b> Room 120	Jess Fenchel Brooke Fenchel *Hayley Fenchel	Carolyn Ford Ruth Clement *Laura Barbadoro	Kendall Dietterich Sarah Rutkowski *Carrie Rutkowski	Julia Smith Asher Smith *Carolyn Ford
<b>Heart Hiders</b> (playground)	Diana Lowery Ella Clement	Mary Slemmer Derek Dietterich	TBD	TBD
<b>Deacons</b>	George Schmidt	Ken Markwalter David Schmidt	Andy Ford Mark Kleeman	Jeff Currier Steve Rutkowski
<b>Greeters</b>	Tom Buhay Dan Benoit	Henry Shultz Byron Childs	Bob Witmer	Derek Dietterich Bob McClurken

## CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

### *Health Related*

*Winnie Bickle*  
*Ethel Castor*  
*Rich Fisher*  
*Peg Hasson*  
*Herb McCarter*  
*Dennis Stager*  
*Sally Tomlinson*

### *Grieving*

*Wile Family*

### *Expecting*

*Asbely Benoit*  
*Brianne Heffron*  
*Caroline Smith*  
*Christine Verhasselt*

### *Missions*

John and Sandy serve with Mission to the World in a sensitive North African country. El Soora, their nationally-led ministry dedicated to Reformed Gospel-centered teaching, held its first Bible seminar in September. More than a hundred church youth and leaders attended two half-day sessions on the Book of Revelation.

As a result of the pandemic, many teachers in their country have been misusing Revelation in an attempt to explain what God is doing with COVID-19. Each day included two hours of teaching followed by a discussion panel. John was encouraged to see people of all ages challenged by the depth of God's Word. Their second seminar is being prepared for October 31st and will have a theme of Soli Deo Gloria in honor of Reformation Day.

El Soora is also in the process of translating five more books into Arabic, including *The Holiness of God* by RC Sproul and *When I Don't Desire God* by John Piper.

On a personal note, John and Sandy are thrilled that their children will be coming home for Christmas break after nine months apart. As they both attend college in the United States, the pandemic prevented them from flying home this summer. They were blessed, though, to be able to spend precious time with both sets of grandparents and many of their cousins.

Please pray for the following:

-the upcoming seminar, that teaching will be effective and meaningful to those in attendance.

-that God will use the Arabic translations to His glory.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who helped make our first Harvest Fest Drive-in Movie Night a fun time for everyone. May the Lord be glorified by the creative way the committee adapted the evening to foster such an enjoyable night of fellowship and outreach.

The start of the Tuesday (morning) Women's Bible Study will be postponed. Please watch for future updates or contact Emilie Putnam with questions.

Throughout the coming year, please pray for and encourage our officers in training: Bob McIntyre for the office of elder and Dan Benoit and Byron Childs for the office of deacon.

The next Communicant's Class starts in one week. Please be in prayer for these youth and their families as they complete homework each week, have foundational spiritual discussions at home and in class, and prepare to publicly profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Covenant will once again serve as a collection site for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child (OCC) Shoebox gifts. Boxes are available at the church entrances, and the collection week is Nov 16-22<sup>nd</sup>. If you are interested in helping to receive and package the boxes outside during the collection week, please contact Anna Strickland.

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

**Sunday 10/25**  
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (virtual)  
9:00 a.m. Gr. 3-6 Sunday School (virtual)  
9:00 a.m. Jr & Sr High Sun Sch (virtual)  
9:15 a.m. Membership Class (far narthex)  
9:40 a.m. Age 3-Gr.2 Sun School (virtual)  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
11:45 a.m. Heart Hiders (playground)  
3:00 p.m. Sunflower Girls (pavilion)

## Monday 10/26

**Tuesday 10/27**  
7:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study (far narthex)  
7:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (virtual)

## Wednesday 10/28

## Thursday 10/29

## Friday 10/30

## Saturday 10/31

**Sunday 11/1**  
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (virtual)  
9:00 a.m. Gr. 3-6 Sunday School (virtual)  
9:00 a.m. Jr & Sr High Sun Sch (virtual)  
9:15 a.m. Communicant's Class  
(far narthex)  
9:40 a.m. Age 3-Gr.2 Sun School (virtual)  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
11:45 a.m. Heart Hiders (playground)  
4:00 p.m. Youth Group Small Groups

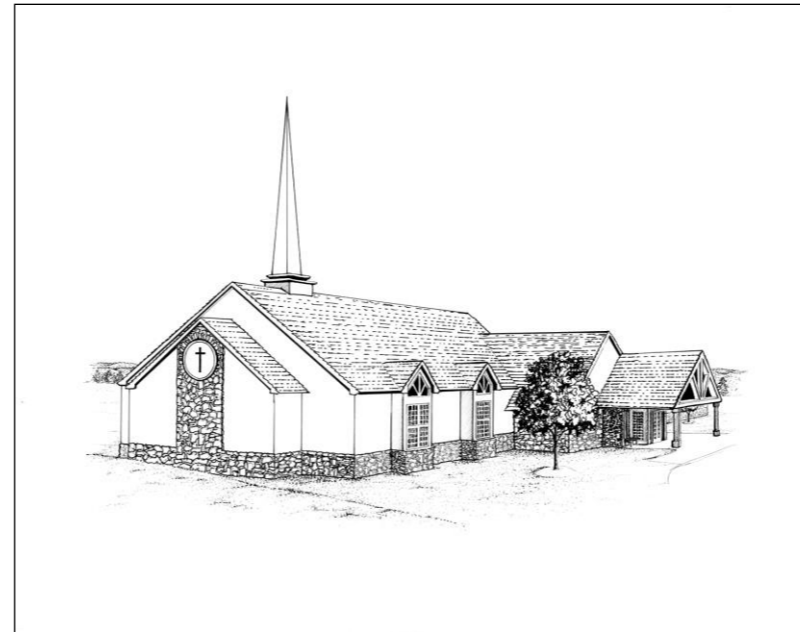
For a complete listing of events at Covenant, or for more information on ministries, please visit [www.covpreschurch.org](http://www.covpreschurch.org)



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is to help people know Christ,  
grow together in the grace of Christ,  
and advance the kingdom of Christ,  
all to the glory and worship of God forever.*