



# *Covenant Presbyterian Church*

## **Mission Statement:**

**Witness to our faith through worship  
and compassionate Christian service**

## **Vision Statement:**

**People's lives will be transformed by knowing  
and experiencing Christ so that God is glorified.**

## **Core Values:**

**Commitment, Faith, Generosity, Hospitality, Love, Respect**

# Covenant Presbyterian Church

## “Trinity Sunday”

Ten-thirty am

May 22, 2016

*When entering the sanctuary for worship, please silence your cell phones and all electronic devices. Thank you.*

**Prelude**

David Starzer

### **PRAISE AND ADORATION**

#### **Centering Prayer for Worship**

O God, on this Trinity Sunday we honor the majesty and mystery of your name. You are both infinite and intimate, known and unknowable. In love, you have made us your own. Your love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. Blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

#### **Centering Song “Father, I Adore You”**

Father, I adore you. I lay my life before you. How I love you.  
Jesus, I adore you. I lay my life before you. How I love you.  
Spirit, I adore you. I lay my life before you. How I love you.

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

#### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of God's glory.

**People: You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.**

Leader: By your Spirit enable us to worship your divine majesty, and praise your glorious name, saying:

**Unison: Holy, holy, holy. Glory to you, O Lord most high.**

**\*Opening Hymn #1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”**

### **\*Prayer of Invocation and 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, forever. Amen.

### **\*Affirmation of Faith    The 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 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 thence 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.

### **\*Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

## **CONFESSION**

### **Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Holy God,**

**We come from the places where life has taken us. We try to be faithful and live at peace with everyone but then an impatient word slips out, or we hold back when compassion is needed. Then we fixate on our faults and failings and sink into despair. Forgive us. Hold us when we are falling, and when the road gets rough, be our steady guide. Holy Spirit, ever-faithful companion, be the light upon our journey. Strengthen our faith and help us serve God with renewed dedication and gratitude. Amen.**

Silent Personal Confession

### **Assurance of God's Love**

Leader: Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world.

**People: We are standing in the grace of Christ. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### **\*Greeting Time**

**Song of Praise "Come! Live in the Light!"**

**Chancel Choir**

### **The Gospel in Story**

**+All children and youth go to WOW and WEWOW (Worship Outside of Worship)**

**\*Hymn of Meditation #401 "Here in This Place"**

### **"Cares Chorus" (All Sing) and Morning Prayer**

I cast all my cares upon you; I lay all of my burdens, down at your feet; And anytime I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you. I will cast all my cares upon you.

### **Moment of Gratitude –Jim Schweizer**

### **We Offer Our Gifts and Selves to God**

#### **\*Offertory**

**\*Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 1-12**

Dwight Nave

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

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**People: Thanks be to God**

#### **New Testament Reading: Acts 2: 32-33, 36-47**

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Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

**People: But the word of the Lord endures forever.**

**Sermon Series on Acts: “Taking the Word of God to All the Earth”** Dr. Sarah Nave

AND THE LORD ADDED TO THEIR NUMBER DAILY THOSE  
WHO WERE BEING SAVED Acts 2:47

## **CARRYING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*Hymn of Dedication #366 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”**

**\*Benediction for Trinity Sunday**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. 2 Corinthians 13:14

**\*Sung Response “Let the Church Say Amen”**

**All Sing**

## **Let the Church Say Amen**

Words and Music by  
Andraé Crouch

Let the church say, "A - men." Let the church say,  
"A - men." God has spok-en. Let the church say, "A - men."

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**†Postlude**

**†We invite you to remain seated during the Postlude if you like, in order to reflect on what we have heard and on our experience of God together. Likewise, please feel free to leave immediately if you would rather do so. Blessings to all!**

**\*Congregation invited to stand if able**

## **WELCOME!**

We're glad you are here! We invite you to fill out a visitor's card, located in the rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate. Looking for a faith community? We would love you to consider Covenant as your church family. Contact Pastor Sarah Nave (732-8240-w, 894-0386-c) for more information.

**PRAYER CONCERNS** *Dr. Ben Rice, Kathy Rice, Dorothy Ketcham, Nancy Porterfield, Shernette Reid, Joe Hackley, Billy Benson (Bill Benson's cousin), Rebecca Wilson (Bill Benson's friend), and Stacy Swinney (Peggy Preston's daughter)*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAYER GROUP** will not meet in May, will resume meetings in September.

**BUTTERFLIES FLEW** Thanks to Covenant's own Madama Butterfly, Betty Wade Jones, for providing the majestic monarchs we released last Sunday to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. And fly!

**SUMMERFEST** Mark your calendars and set your phone alarms for Monday evening, June 20, for a Covenant Church neighborhood celebration of the summer solstice. We will play games and plant tomatoes and declare our Little Free Library open for reading! Stay tuned for details!

**COMMUNITY GARDEN** We are going to offer a community garden to our neighbors. If you would like to be part of that grand adventure, please talk to Dwight or Sarah Nave.

## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, May 22, 2016**

**10:00 am Choir Warm-up**

**10:30 am Morning Worship**

**11:30 am Fellowship hosted Mr. & Mrs. Rob Gregory**

### **Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

**No YA'LL Youth Group for 2 weeks. See you on June 8!**

### **Thursday, May 26, 2016**

**7:00 pm Choir Practice**

### **Sunday, May 29, 2016**

**10:00 am Choir Warm-up**

**10:30 am Morning Worship**

**11:30 am Fellowship hosted by Mrs. Anna Moore & Mrs. Sarah Garner**

### **Birthdays this week:**

**May 23 Sarah Nave**

**May 26 Katherine Watson**





## THE CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Sarah Nave .....Pastor  
Rev. Dwight Nave.....Parish Associate  
Joyce M. Collier.....Secretary  
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