

## Covenant Presbyterian Church, PCA

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**COVENANT**  
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For the glory of God, Covenant Presbyterian Church  
exists to worship God and equip His people for service.

**Sunday, July 27, 2025**

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May you be still as we trust in our Heavenly Father and rest in the peace Christ has purchased for us and given to us in the gift of the Holy Spirit. Please prepare yourself for worship by prayerfully reading and meditating on the Scriptures and quotes below.

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### Preparation for Worship

Pre-Prelude (No. 481)      *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* arr. Cindy Berry  
Beth Taws, piano

Prelude (No. 597)      *The Gift of Love* arr. David Lowe  
Brett Levi, organ

*If your enemy is hungry, give him bread to eat, and if he is thirsty, give him water to drink, for you will heap burning coals on his head, and the Lord will reward you.* Proverbs 25:21-22

*'By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.'* John 13:35

*We love because He first loved us. If anyone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God Whom he has not seen.* 1 John 4:19-20

*But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* Romans 5:8

*Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.* Romans 12:14

*Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.* 1 Peter 3:9

"Loving others in a biblical manner involves your thoughts, words, and actions and is a sign of your being a disciple of Christ. Loving others biblically is dependent on your commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ and is not dependent on people, circumstances, or your feelings." John Broger

"Christian love imitates God's love for us, which is an unconditional commitment to imperfect people." Rick Holland

"The followers of Jesus are children of God, and they should manifest the family likeness by doing good to all, even to those who deserve the opposite." F.F. Bruce

"It is impossible to truly pray for someone and hate them at the same time." Kent Hughes

"The ultimate weapon to use against those who do evil is to love them; to meet their needs." Lou Priolo

"We ought not to expect to receive from God what we are not prepared to bestow on others." David Garland

"Every problem that our church has ever faced can be tracked back to a lack of love." John MacArthur

"When love is felt, the message is heard." Jim Vaus

**Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in recognition to our veterans and their service for our country.**

## Order of Worship – July 27, 2025

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Adoration of God

**\*Call to Worship**      Psalm 31:23-24  
*Love the Lord, all you His saints! The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord!*

**\*Hymn of Praise** No. 529      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**Invocation**      Elder Tom Kasischke

**Affirmation of Our Faith**      Westminster Shorter Catechism  
**Q. 105. What do we pray for in the fifth petition?**

A. "In the fifth petition, which is, 'And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,' we pray that God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by His grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others."

**\*Hymn of Worship** No. 455      *And Can It Be That I Should Gain?*

#### Confession of Sin and Means of Grace

##### Pastoral Prayer

**Choral Reflection**      *Prayer of St. Francis* by Allen Pote  
The Covenant Choir with Joy Lehn, soprano

**\*The Reading of God's Word**      Luke 6:27-36

**The Message from God's Word**      "Supernatural Love"  
Pastor Steve Mirich

**\*Hymn of Response**      *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

##### Offertory Prayer

**Offertory**      *The Love of God* arr. Dana F. Everson  
Mike Wert, trombone, and Collette Levi, piano

#### Response and Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn**      *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

**\*Benediction**      Colossians 3:14-15  
*And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.*

##### \*Doxology

**Postlude**      *Voluntary on Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* arr. K. Lee Scott  
Brett Levi, organ

\*Indicates when the congregation stands (if able)