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

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Sunday, June 30, 2024

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.

Preparation for Worship

Pre-Prelude *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* arr. Larry Shackley
Collette Levi, piano

Prelude *I Will Sing of My Redeemer* arr. Diane Bish
Brett Levi, organ

And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Genesis 37:24

So they took Jeremiah and cast him into the cistern of Malchiah, the king's son, which was in the court of the guard, letting Jeremiah down by ropes. And there was no water in the cistern, but only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud. Jeremiah 38:6

Behold my Servant, Whom I uphold, My chosen, in Whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations. Isaiah 42:1

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, because the Lord has anointed Me to bring good news to the poor; He has sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ...Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy. Isaiah 61:1, 7

And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, 'Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' John 12:14

"Don't let your happiness depend on something you may lose." C.S. Lewis

"What robs a believer of biblical joy? 1. False salvation 2. Satan and his demons 3. Inadequate understanding of God's sovereignty 4. Prayerlessness 5. Emotional lows that frequently follow a spiritual high 6. Focusing on circumstances 7. Ingratitude 8. Forgetting the Lord 9. Living by the flesh 10. Unwillingness to accept forgiveness." John MacArthur

"[Joy results] not in the despairing circumstances, but in the attitude of delightful dependence on a faithful Father." Bob LaForge

"Pursuing joy in God and praising God are not separate acts." John Piper

"When one is free to live as God intended, he is truly free indeed." Jay Adams

"Hope can see Heaven through the thickest clouds." Thomas Brooks

"Hope fills the afflicted soul with such inward joy and consolation, that it can laugh while tears are in the eye, sigh and sing all in a breath; it is called 'the rejoicing of hope.'" William Gurnall

Bruce & Collette Levi give today's flowers to the glory of God and in loving memory of their fathers, R. L. Levi and Billie Goins.

Order of Worship – June 30, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Adoration of God

***Call to Worship** Psalm 33:1-5
Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the Lord is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the Earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

***Hymn of Praise #310** *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

Invocation Elder Tony Bloemsma

Affirmation of Our Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 1. What is the chief end of man?

A. "Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever."

***Hymn of Adoration #441** *Jesus Shall Reign*

Confession of Sin and Means of Grace

Pastoral Prayer

Musical Reflection *And Can It Be?* arr. Dan Forrest

***The Reading of God's Word** Zechariah 9:9-13

The Message from God's Word "Rejoice in Freedom!"
Pastor Steve Mirich

***Hymn of Response** *Jesus Messiah*, by Carson, Tomlin, Cash, Reeves

Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Amazing Grace* arr. Sue Mitchell-Wallace and John Head,
Greg Hostetler, trumpet and Brett Levi, organ

Response and Blessing

***Closing Hymn #195** *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*

***Benediction** Revelation 22:20-21
He Who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

*Doxology

Postlude *Toccata Brevis* by Daniel E. Gawthrop
Brett Levi, organ

*Indicates when the congregation stands (if able)