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

**Sunday, September 17, 2023**

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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 *Jesus Is Lord of All* arr. Anna Laura Page  
Brett Levi, organ

Prelude *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* arr. Joel Raney  
Rebecca Brake, piano and Brett Levi, organ

*The Lord was with Joseph.* Genesis 39:2a

*'Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death.'* Exodus 21:16

*'And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me."'* Matthew 25:40

*Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality. Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.* Colossians 3:22-25, 4:1

*There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.* Galatians 3:28

"If we look externally, there is difference between washing dishes and preaching the Word of God, but as touching to please God, there is no difference at all. That's a biblical view of work, that there's no difference when done to the honor of the Lord between preaching and washing the dishes." William Tyndale

"In past times, some Christians, unfortunately, have supported and tried to justify slavery. But the Bible does not; and where Christians are faithful to Scripture, slavery cannot flourish." John MacArthur

"Be not proud of race, face, place, or grace." C.H. Spurgeon

"No single piece of our mental world is to be hermetically sealed off from the rest, and there is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry: 'Mine!'" Abraham Kuyper

"The motto of every missionary, whether preacher, printer, or schoolmaster, ought to be 'Devoted for life.'" Adoniram Judson

"If I obey Jesus Christ in the seemingly random circumstances of life, they become pinholes through which I see the face of God." Oswald Chambers

**Jim & Susan Toms give today's flowers to the glory of God and in memory of their parents, Joe & Lucille Beliveau and Fred & Joy Toms.**

## Order of Worship – September 17, 2023

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Adoration of God

**\*Call to Worship** Psalm 67:1-5  
*May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us, that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!*

**\*Hymn of Praise #55** *To God Be the Glory*  
Elder Mike Baer

#### Invocation

**Affirmation of Our Faith** Westminster Confession of Faith  
*Chapter III Of God's Eternal Decree*

I. "God from all eternity did by the most wise and holy counsel of His own will, freely and unchangeably ordain whatsoever come to pass; yet so as thereby neither is God the author of sin; nor is violence offered to the will of the creatures, nor is the liberty or contingency of second causes taken away, but rather established."

**\*Hymn of Commitment #687** *Make Me a Captive, Lord*

#### Confession of Sin and Means of Grace

#### Pastoral Prayer

**Musical Reflection** *Lord, Here Am I* by John Ness Beck

**The Reading of God's Word** Ephesians 6:5-9

**The Message from God's Word** "Living for Christ"  
Pastor Steve Mirich

**\*Hymn of Response** *I Surrender All*

#### Offertory Prayer

**Offertory** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* arr. Dale Wood  
Brett Levi, bass and Collette Levi, piano

#### Response and Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn #585** *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

**\*Benediction** 1 Corinthians 15:58  
*Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.*

#### \*Doxology

**Postlude** *Toccata on Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* by Albert L. Travis  
Brett Levi, organ

\*Indicates when the congregation stands (if able)