

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

A CONGREGATION OF THE ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY

May 26, 2024

*“For this my son was dead and is alive again;
he was lost and is found.”*

Luke 15:24a

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Welcome and Announcements.....

Silent Prayer

The Order of Worship

§ **Call to Worship**..... *Psalm 96:1-3*

§ **Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**.....

§ **The Psalm of Adoration** *“The LORD God Reigns in Majesty”*
Trinity Psalter Hymnal#99B

The Revelation of God’s Will..... *I Samuel 12:20-25a*

Prayer of Confession.....

The Assurance of Pardon..... *Isaiah 38:17*

§ **Giving of Thanks**..... *“O the Deep, Unbounded Riches”*
Trinity Psalter Hymnal#226

The Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Supplication and for Illumination

§ **The Scripture Reading**..... *Luke 15:11-32*

§ **The Hymn of Preparation** *“Spirit of God, Dwell Thou Within My Heart”*
Trinity Psalter Hymnal#393

The Preaching of the Word *Luke 15:11-32*
“The Parable of the Running Father”
Rev. Geoff Thomas

§ **The Hymn of Response** *“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”*
Trinity Psalter Hymnal#463

§ **The Benediction**

§ **The Doxology**..... *“Hallelujah! Hallelujah!”*
Trinity Psalter Hymnal#566

§ Please stand, if you are able.

WELCOME

Welcome to our worship and fellowship at Covenant Community Church. We are a congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. We are a people grateful for the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, which promises the forgiveness of sins and eternal life to all who trust in Him alone for salvation.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Young children are welcome to join in our worship at Covenant Community Church. If you anticipate that your young child or children cannot exercise the necessary self-control to remain relatively quiet and still, please consider making good use of either our nursery or our training room out of consideration for your fellow worshippers—particularly during the preaching of the Word.

TODAY AT COVENANT

We are grateful for the ministry of Rev. Geoff Thomas and Dr. Ryan McGraw in the Covenant pulpit today with Rev. Thomas preaching in our morning worship service and Dr. McGraw in evening worship. Rev. Thomas serves as visiting professor at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary and previously served as pastor of Alfred Place Baptist Church in the United Kingdom.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Next week we hope to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in our morning worship service. Take some time this week to reflect on the reality and offense of your sin, the glorious grace of God who receives and cleanses sinners by the blood of Christ, and how the pattern of your own life ought to be conformed to the image of Christ out of thankfulness for so great a salvation.

DIACONAL OFFERING

Please remember that we take our monthly diaconal offering (for the poor and needy) immediately after the celebration of the Lord's Supper next week. This offering is a fitting expression of our care for one another in the body of Christ.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

We will take a break from all of our Wednesday evening activities this week on May 29th as it is the 5th Wednesday of the month.

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

Young people ages 14-18, please join us for our next high school fellowship on **Friday, June 14th at 6:30 pm** at the home of Nick and Anita Higgins. We look forward to this time of instruction and fellowship.

CHURCH WORKDAY

Our deacons are planning a church workday **on Saturday, June 22nd, from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm.** Lunch will be provided. Please speak with our deacons for more information.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our Sunday School classes meet each Lord's Day at 9:30 am.

Our **adult Sunday School** classes continue in our four-quarter pattern, (theology, church history, Christian living, and Biblical studies). We continue a class on the Christian family—topics will include marriage, medical ethics, parenting, grand-parenting and more. This class will continue until June 16th.

Children's classes meet each Lord's Day at 9:30 am (see below for details regarding age groups and teachers).

Finally, please note the following important details: Our children's catechism classes have concluded for the school year. We will take our customary summer break from catechism classes, fellowship meals, and hymn-sings starting in June, meeting only for prayer. **Our children's Sunday School classes will continue until Sunday, June 16th,** matching our adult Sunday School program. We plan to resume all our Sunday School classes **on August 18th following our summer break.**

SCHEDULES

The Lord's Day

Sunday School 9:30am
Ages 3-4.....Sarah Bisson, Charity V.
Ages 5-6.....Jennifer Lee, Emma Bowman
Ages 7-8..... Gail Ellis, Kelsey Rudder
Ages 9-10.....Joey Pipa, Grant Woody
Ages 11-12.. Caleb Harriman, Stephen Cook
Ages 13-14.....Nick Higgins, Ryan Lee
Adults..... Peter Van Doodewaard
Morning Worship.....11:00 am
Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm

Nursery Care

Week of May 26, 2024
AM.....Grace Balding, Anne C., Katie V.
PM.....Margaret Barbi, Cammie Grace W.
Wed..... 5th Wednesday – no prayer mtg.
Week of June 2, 2024
AM.....Karen Dover, Jules W., Hazel W.
PM..Susie Van Doodewaard, Ronda Pipa
Wed.....Krista McGraw, Hannah V.

Ushers

Week of May 26, 2024
Clay Woody, Joseph Bowman
Thomas Rolf, Grant Woody
Week of June 2, 2024
Nick Higgins, Tyler Butler
Alden Sims, Peter Van Doodewaard, Jr.

Covenant Community Church

Senior Pastor— Peter Van Doodewaard
Pastor – Jeremiah Mooney
Elders—Mr. Jim Loring (clerk), Dr. Ryan McGraw (teacher), Rev. Jeremiah Mooney (pastor), Mr. Vernon Shoaf, Mr. David Stair, Rev. Peter Van Doodewaard (pastor/moderator)
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