

LORD'S DAY

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COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure
all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

Welcome and Silent Prayer

Father, most kind and generous: We come to you as your children, because we need you and want to be with you; we come to you as our Lord and God, because we are in awe of you and worship you; we come to you in the name of Jesus, because you have promised to be with us when we gather in his name. All glory be to you, O Father, and to the Eternal Son, and to the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 99.1-3

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 46

ROUND THE LORD IN GLORY SEATED

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, teach us not to sin with such abandon. We do it all too easily. We pretend, lie, envy and lust, we criticize, brood, ignore and deny, we hoard, defame, distort and make excuses, and then we expect an easy forgiveness for the asking. Lord God, forgive us for our blatant disregard of your holy character. Let us not misinterpret your patience with our sin as if it were permissiveness. Astonish us with a wholesome, godly fear which will not drive us to despair, but cause us to number our days and give us hearts of wisdom; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130.3-7

***Song of Praise to Christ**

Hymn No. 311

HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANNOINTED

***Confession of Faith**

What is the Lord's Prayer?

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. ¹

—The New City Catechism, No. 41

Congregational Petitions 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 also have forgiven 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.

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1.26-56

Sermon

"The Humble Announcement of Israel's King"
Mr. Ronnie Curfman, Pastoral Intern

***Song of Response**

Hymn No. 26

TELL OUT, MY SOUL, THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD

¹ "Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name..." (Matt 6.9).

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner ring of each tray; grape juice in the outer ring. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians, who are living under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you the following prayers for your use during this time.

A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

A Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Song of Thanksgiving

Sweet Lamb of God

Gordon Ruddick for Grace Community Fellowship;
Eugene, Oregon

VERSE



1. Up - on a hill, his Fa - ther's will, that he would die, not ev - en
2. We were like sheep, all gone a - stray. We all had gone our sep - a - rate



try to res - cue him - self, no sin of his own, Sweet Lamb of God.
way, we did - n't care, we could - n't see the Sweet Lamb of God.



Ma - ker of all, Lord of the earth, God's on - ly Son of in - fi - nite
There was just One whose death could pay for all our sin, take it a -



worth. Hung on a cross for all to see, Sweet Lamb of God.
way. Gave up his life through suf - fer - ing and pain the Sweet Lamb of God.

CHORUS



Sweet Lamb of God, King of my soul, it is your death that made me



whole. All I can do is give all my praise to the Sweet Lamb of God.



Sweet Lamb of God, your death on the cross has been for my



gain, though you suf - fer - ed loss. All I can do is give all my praise to the Sweet Lamb of God.

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

*Benediction

Numbers 6.24-26

Closing Prayer

Lord, I give up all my own plans and purposes, all my own desires and hopes, and accept thy will for my life. I give myself, my life, my all utterly to thee, to be thine forever. Fill me and seal me with thy Holy Spirit. Use me as thou wilt. Send me where thou wilt, and work out thy whole will in my life at any cost, now and forever. Amen.

*Please stand if able.

Our Nursery Helpers

Worship

Today: TBD

Next Week: TBD

Gatherings

Kids' Quest is a catechism class for children, ages 5 through elementary grades, taught by Pastor Ron. It meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month (October through May), from 3:30 to 4:45 PM, at the church.

The Leinweber Home Fellowship Group, led by Chad, meets at the Leinwebers' (60 Cranbrook Ln), on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, at 12:30 PM. For more information, see Chad. All (including children) are welcome.

The Martin Home Fellowship Group led by Eric Carpenter and Steve Davis, meets at Kathy Martin's (203 Chapra St), the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They are studying the Gospel of Luke and all are welcome.

The Men's Group meets Wednesdays, from 6:00 to 7:30 AM, at Pastor Ron's office for Bible Study fellowship, and prayer. The group is currently studying Exodus and all are invited.

Prayer Meeting: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the chapel, to pray for one another, the kingdom, and our world. Please join us.

Sermon Notes: "The Humble Announcement of Israel's King" (Luke 1.26-56)

1. The Announcement of the Savior

2. The Response of Faith

3. The Result of Praise

Prayer Concerns

Rev. Andrew Allen continues his battle with cancer. Pray the chemotherapy is effective, that he is granted strength to endure, and that he and Amy are kept in God's peace.

Coram Deo Presbyterian Church: Pray for Rev. Kyle Parker's church planting efforts in Spokane, that they yield much fruit and that the church is strengthened under his leadership.

Mike Givens: Pray for relief from the pain Mike is experiencing, and that God brings healing to his shoulder without the need for surgery.

Brian & Gail Frey: Pray for Brian and the RUF staff, as they reach out to students on the Boise State campus, that God goes before them, softening hearts and granting faith to many.

Lori Jud is home from the hospital after having throat surgery for class 2 cancer. Pray for her complete healing and that she may be able to speak again after treatment is complete.

Vickie Myers is having surgery in Portland this Wednesday. Pray that she is sustained by God's presence, that all goes well and that the procedure leads to a lasting recovery.

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries this Week:

October 16	Duane and Judie Jud
October 18	Seth Alden
October 18	Katie Leinweber

Financial Update: The September financial report has been posted to the church website. If you need the password to view it, Jacob Schroeder would be happy to give it to you.

Reformation Sunday: Please join us October 28, at 6:00 PM, at Grace URC in Kennewick, for a combined service with our Reformed brothers and sisters from Kennewick and Sunnyside. A light dinner and fellowship will follow.

Session Meeting: The elders are meeting Thursday, at 5:30 PM, to pray for and conduct the business of the church. Pray for them as they do, and please let them know how they can pray for you.

Women's Study: Want to grow deeper in God's Word? A study of Acts begins this Thursday, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM at the church (childcare is provided). If you are interested contact Cherry Gonzales.

Explanation of Cover Symbol

The anchor is an ancient Christian symbol for hope. It is derived from Hebrews 6.19: "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul..." When combined with a cross it makes plain that Christian hope is in Christ and His redemption. The symbol was frequently used in this sense in the catacombs of ancient Rome.