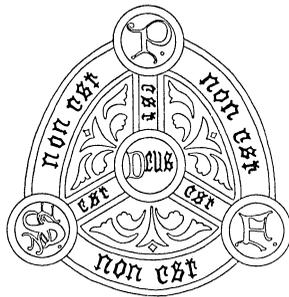


LORD'S DAY

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COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Upon entering the sanctuary, please be sensitive
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

Almighty God, whose glory is above the heavens, praise waits for you in Zion! Out of your great mercy you have gathered us into your church. Receive the adoration of our hearts this day, and grant that we may so honor you, both in spirit and in outward form, that your name may be glorified through the worship of our lips and our hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 113.1-3

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 54

HALLELUJAH! RAISE, O RAISE

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

O Lord, no day of our lives has passed that has not proved us guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from prayerless hearts. Praise has often been praiseless sound. Our best services are filthy rags. All things in us call for our rejection, yet all things in Christ plead our acceptance. Grant us to hear your voice assuring us that by your stripes we are healed; that you were bruised for our iniquities, that you became sin for us that we might become righteous in you. Grant that by resting in your righteousness we may hereafter walk in newness of life and run hard after your commandments; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Jeremiah 50.20

***Song of Praise to Christ**

Hymn No. 166

WONDROUS KING, ALL-GLORIOUS

***Confession of Faith**

How many persons are there in God?

There are three persons in the one true and living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They are the same in substance, equal in power and glory.¹

—The New City Catechism, No. 3

Prayer for the Church and the World

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Scripture Lesson

Luke 6.27-49

Sermon

“God’s Peculiar People”

Rev. Ron Gonzales

***Song of Response**

Hymn No. 335

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, DWELL WITH ME

¹ “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all” (2 Cor 13.14).

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.

Words Thomas Ken, 1709; music Genevan Psalter, 1551; Public Domain

-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 Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are admitting 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.

A Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false pleasure to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. 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 - fering 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 - fered loss. All I can do is give all my praise to the Sweet Lamb of God.

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

*Benediction

2 Corinthians 13.14

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: Abigail and Annie Carpenter

Next Week: Collie Parsons

Gatherings

A Children's Catechism Class, taught by Pastor Ron and Pastoral Intern Ronnie Curfman, meets twice a month (generally the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, during the school year), from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, at the church.

The Martin Home Fellowship Group led by Eric Carpenter and Ronnie Curfman, meets at Kathy Martin's (213 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 men 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.

Psalms Sing: The Schroeders invite you to join them Sundays, at 6:30 PM, at their home (55 Buttonquail Ln) to sing the Psalms and enjoy a time of fellowship. All ages and voices are welcome.

The Women's Study: A study of the Book of Acts, led by Cherry Gonzales, meets Thursdays, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM at the Church (childcare is provided), and all are welcome.

Sermon Notes: "God's Peculiar People" (Luke 6.27-49)

1. In Relationship to the World

2. In Relationship to One Another

Prayer Concerns

Rev. Andrew Allen continues to gain strength and show signs of improvement. Pray for complete healing, and that he and Amy are kept in God's peace.

The Pacific Northwest Presbytery is meeting this Thursday and Friday at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Everett. Pray for travel mercies for the ministers and elders attending, that their work honors God and is a blessing to the Church.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church: Pray for the congregation in Soldotna, AK as they look for a new pastor. May God lead and protect the church and make it a vital witness on the Kenai Peninsula.

Mel Witters (Heidi Leinweber's dad) had a stent inserted to restore blood flow to his heart. Pray for renewed strength and that he is kept from further incidents.

Announcements

Birthday's this Week

January 26 Bruce Hamovitz

Financial Update: The December 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.

Visitors: Welcome to Covenant! We are glad you are here and would love to have you join us downstairs, following the service, for some refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Explanation of Cover Symbol

The Shield of the Holy Trinity is frequently found in stained glass windows of medieval churches. This emblem expresses the Christian doctrine of the triunity of Almighty God, a truth taught in Scripture and affirmed by the Council of Constantinople in AD 381.