



*Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church!
We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning.
Thank you for joining us and may you experience
God's blessing in our worship.*

The Lord's Day

May 17, 2009

Prelude

◆**Call to Worship:** Psalm 66:1-2, 4-5

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!

**People: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing
praises to your name.**

Leader: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds
toward the children of man.

Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** #165
"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

Call to Confession: Isaiah 44:21-22

I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be
forgotten by me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 45:17-18

Israel is saved by the LORD with everlasting salvation; you shall
not be put to shame or confounded to all eternity. For thus says the
LORD, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth
and made it (he established it; he did not create it empty, he formed
it to be inhabited!); I am the LORD, and there is no other.

◆**Hymn of Praise:** #164 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Our Profession of Faith: — from the Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 60

Q. How are you right with God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.

Even though my conscience accuses me
of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments
and of never having kept any of them,
and even though I am still inclined toward all evil,
nevertheless,
without my deserving it at all,
out of sheer grace,
God grants and credits to me
the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ,
as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner,
as if I had been as perfectly obedient
as Christ was obedient for me.

All I need to do
is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Old Testament: Ezekiel 36:16-38

New Testament: 1 Peter 2:1-12

Sermon: "For the Sake of His Name"

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** #335 "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

◆**Hymn of Response:** #647
"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

◆Benediction

◆**Doxology:** #731 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly hosts:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Postlude

Greeter this week: *Angela Belden*
Greeter next week: *Norm VandenBerg*
Pianists: *Emily Doran & Marie Stults*
Nursery: *Staff* (as needed)
Flowers for today: *Stults family*

☐ **Please welcome Rev. Doug Clawson** as he leads our worship service this morning. He is Associate General Secretary of the Committee on Foreign Missions for the OPC. Doug and his wife Patricia, live in Horsham, Pennsylvania.

☐ **Fellowship Luncheon today!...** After the worship service, we will have our monthly fellowship luncheon. If you are visiting with us today, or if you forgot, please join us for a wonderful time of fellowship and great food! There will be no Sunday School today.



Congratulations to Patrick & Danielle (Clerebout)

Arnold who were married yesterday in Livonia. May God richly bless them and their future together as they grow in their relationship to each other and with the Lord. Below is their new address and phone number:

2249 Cram Pl., Apt 7
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734-565-9786

☐ **Women's Bible Study...** meets Friday mornings from 9:30-11am, at the Doll's home. Our study is "*Hope in Hard Times... studies in the Book of Ruth.*" This week's lesson is from Chapter 12, Ruth 4:1-10, "*Buying a Woman.*" Next week, is our final lesson until Fall, and we will have a luncheon following the lesson. Nursery is provided.

☐ **OPC Family Camp...** You are invited to join with other individuals and families around the Michigan and Ontario Presbytery for a week of refreshment and fun. This year's camp is scheduled for August 10-14 in West Michigan. We're excited to welcome back Pastor Kevin De Young and his family as he speaks on the topic of the church using material from his new book coming out this summer. Plan now to join us for a wonderful time of fellowship with others in our Presbytery. Registration forms are on the Information table and are due July 31.

☐ **Annual Covenant Church Picnic...** will be held Sunday, June 7, after the morning worship service. Everyone is welcome and we always have a wonderful time of fellowship, with great food, games, and singing. This is also a good time to invite your friends. More information will follow.

☐ **New Horizons magazine...** Copies of this month's *New Horizons* magazine are on the Information table. Please feel free to take extra copies to pass out among family, friends, co-workers, etc, or leave a copy on your next visit to your doctor or dentist's office.

☐ **Fellowship time...** All members and regular attendees are encouraged to participate in bringing refreshments for the fellowship time after the morning worship. You may bring either homemade or store bought cookies, brownies, muffins, bread, fresh vegetables, etc. Please bring your snacks on/in a serving dish or container.

☐ **The Seventy-Sixth OPC General Assembly** will meet at Kuyper College in Grand Rapids, MI, from May 27-June 3. General Assembly is the governing body of the whole church and the highest court of appeal in judicial matters. It consists of approximately 150 voting commissioners, including the moderator and stated clerk of the previous assembly and such ministers and ruling elders as are commissioned by their respective presbyteries. Pastor Doll will be attending this year.

Upcoming Events

Fri, May 22 - Women's Bible Study, 9:30am, at Doll's
Wed-Wed, May 27-June 3 - The 76th OPC General Assembly
Fri, May 29 - Women's Bible Study & Luncheon, 9:30 at Doll's
Sat, June 6 - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, TBD
Sun, June 7 - Annual Church Picnic, 12pm
Sun, June 21 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon
Mon-Fri, August 10-14 - OPC Family Camp