



*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 31, 2009

Prelude

◆Call to Worship:

Psalm 9:1-2

Leader: I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart;

People: I will tell of all your wonders.

Leader: I will be glad and rejoice in you:

People: I will sing praise to your name O Most High.

Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** #57 "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul"

Call to Confession:

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

1 John 1:7, 9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

◆**Hymn of Praise:** #238

"My Dear Redeemer and My Lord"

◆Our Profession of Faith

— The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** #164 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Old Testament: Isaiah 58:6-10

New Testament: 3 John 1-15

Sermon: "A Hospitable Heart"

◆**Hymn of Response:** #586 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

◆Benediction

◆**Doxology:** #549 "By the Sea of Crystal"
(stanza 3 only)

Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,
and the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone.
God has wrought salvation, he did wondrous things.
Who shall not extol you, holy King of kings!

Postlude

Greeter this week: *Jennifer Frank*
Greeter next week: *Jamie Belden*
Pianist: *Molly Doran*
Nursery: *Staff* (as needed)
Flowers for today: *Stults family*



We welcome Pastor-elect Christopher Post to our worship service this morning. He will be installed as Associate Pastor of Cedar Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Hudsonville, MI on June 12. Chris and his wife Corrie live with their four children in Jenison. He is also the son-in-law of Russ and Marie Stults.

☐ **Annual Covenant Church Picnic...** will be held next Sunday, June 7, at Milford Park in Milford, after the morning worship service. Please bring two of the following: a side dish (vegetable or fruit salad) and/or a dessert. Hot dogs, brats, chips and beverage will be provided. 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.

☐ **Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast...** will be held Saturday morning, June 6, from 8:30-10am, at the Stults' home. All men are invited. Please let Russ or Marie know if you plan to attend, 517-546-3137, or you can e-mail Russ at russ.stults@att.net.



Wednesday Evening Summer Bible Study... Have you ever wondered if Christians should be angry? And if so, what should we be angry about? These questions will be the topic of our Summer Small Groups as we explore what the Bible has to say on "**Anger and the Christian.**" Paul Tripp's DVD entitled *How to Be Good and Angry* to guide our exploration of this powerful emotion.

The study, lasting approximately 8-9 weeks, will meet on **Wednesday evenings** from 7:00-9:00, starting June 10th. Also this summer **we will rotate through several homes** to share the burden of hosting the group. If you are interested in participating in the group, please let Pastor Doll know at, 810-599-4232, so he can plan accordingly.

☐ **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.

☐ **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.

☐ **The Seventy-Sixth OPC General Assembly** is currently meeting at Kuyper College in Grand Rapids, MI, until Wednesday, June 3. Please be in prayer for this governing body as they meet and that their decisions, etc., would be determined in accordance with God's will for the church and the denomination. Pastor Doll is attending this year.

Upcoming Events

Wed-Wed, May 27-June 3 - The 76th OPC General Assembly
Sat, June 6 - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, at Stults' home
Sun, June 7 - Annual Church Picnic, 12pm at Milford Park
Wed, June 10 - Wednesday Evening Study, 7pm
Sun, June 21 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon
Mon-Fri, August 10-14 - OPC Family Camp