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*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.*

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## The Lord's Day

June 7, 2009

### Prelude

#### ◆Call to Worship:

Psalm 34:1-3

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
let the humble hear and be glad.**

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!

### Prayer for God's Blessing

◆Hymn of Adoration: #1 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Call to Confession: James 1:14-15

Each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own  
desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and  
sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

### Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death,  
but the free gift of God is eternal life  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

◆Hymn of Praise: #648 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

◆Our Statement of Faith — from the Heidelberg Catechism. Q&A 1

My only comfort in life and in death is  
that I am not my own,  
but belong—

body and soul,  
in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven:

in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him,

Christ, by his Holy Spirit,

assures me of eternal life

and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready

from now on to live for him.

### Pastoral Prayer

### Worship with Tithes and Offerings

#### ◆Hymn of Preparation:

"Speak, O Lord"  
(see insert)

Old Testament: Genesis 50:15-21

New Testament: 1 Peter 4:12-19

Sermon: "Responding to Suffering"

◆Hymn of Response: #691 "It Is Well with My Soul"

#### ◆Benediction

◆Doxology: "Psalm 117"  
(tune: "All Creatures of Our God and King")

From all that dwell below the skies,  
O let Jehovah's praise arise! *Alleluia, Alleluia!*  
And let His glorious name be sung  
In every land, by every tongue!  
*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*


Great are the mercies of the LORD,  
And truth eternal is His word; *Alleluia, Alleluia!*  
Ye nations, sound from shore to shore  
Jehovah's praise for evermore!  
*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

### Postlude

**Greeter this week:** *Jamie Belden*  
**Greeter next week:** *Chuck Krueger*  
**Pianists:** *Emily Doran & Jennifer Frank*  
**Nursery:** *Staff* (as needed)  
**Flowers for June:** *Belden family*

☐ **Annual Covenant Church Picnic...** is Today!! We will meet at Milford Park in Milford, after the morning worship. If you are visiting with us today, or you forgot, please join us for a wonderful time of fellowship, with great food (there's always plenty), games, and singing. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other better.

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 **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 begin this **Wednesday evening**, June 10th, from 7:00-9:00pm, at Doll's home. 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.

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☐ **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.

☐ **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.

☐ **Fellowship time...** Now that Sunday School has ended for the Summer, we have more time for fellowship after morning worship. All members and regular attendees are encouraged to participate in bringing refreshments for the fellowship time after the morning worship. You can bring either homemade or store bought cookies, brownies, muffins, bread, fresh vegetables, etc. Please bring your snacks on/in a serving dish or container.

#### Upcoming Events

Tue, June 9 - Session meeting, 7pm, at Doll's home  
Wed, June 10 - Wednesday Evening Study, 7pm, at Dolls  
Sun, June 21 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon  
Sat, July 11 - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, TBD  
Mon-Fri, August 10-14 - OPC Family Camp