



*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

August 16, 2009

Prelude

◆**Call to Worship:** Psalm 68:34-35

Leader: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

People: Awesome is God from his sanctuary!

Leader: The God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.

ALL: Blessed be God!

Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** #73 "Rejoice, All People, Homage Give"

Call to Confession: 1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Corporate Confession

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 2:2-3

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

◆**Hymn of Praise:** #701 "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!"

◆**Our Scriptural Profession of Faith:** — Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings — Gillian Frank

"Let Us Break Bread Together" by Moses Hogan

Old Testament: Exodus 4:1-17 (sermon text)

New Testament: Hebrews 10:5-7

Sermon: "Excuses, Excuses"

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** #430 "I Hunger and I Thirst"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

◆**Hymn of Response:** #598 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

◆**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: *Ed Lewis*
Greeter next week: *Elizabeth & Sarah Fink*
Pianist: *Molly Doran*
Soloist: *Gillian Frank*
Nursery: *Staff* (as needed)
Flowers for August: *Fink family*



Thank you to the Fink family for opening their home for the Men & Boys Camp-Out Friday and Saturday! We had beautiful weather and a wonderful time of fellowship with great food!

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!



Session News:... We are looking for volunteers to teach the PreK – 8th grade Sunday School classes this coming fall. Please contact Pastor Doll or Jeff Fink regarding your interest. Fred Williams will teach the Senior High class.

~ Nominations for Elder or Deacon are sought. Please prayerfully consider who may have the gifts for these offices, speak to them about it and then let Pastor Doll or Jeff Fink know of your nominations. Enclosed is a form for you to fill out with your nominations. Please complete the form and give it to Pastor Doll or Jeff. There will be training in the coming months with elections at the January 2010 Congregational Meeting.

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 at your doctor/dentist's office next time you have an appointment.

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.

August Birthdays

Nancy Doran - 8/3
Jeff Fink - 8/14
Leah Jagt - 6/16
Nancy Pflieger - 8/23
Jesse Techentin - 8/24

August Wedding Anniversaries

Chuck & Sharon Krueger - 8/3
Norm & Lori Vandenberg - 8/13

Upcoming Events

Sat, Sept 5 - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, TBD
Sun, Sept 13 - Sunday School begins
Sun, Sept 20 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon