



*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 September 20, 2009

Prelude

◆**Call to Worship:** Psalm 121 and Psalm 46

Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** #12 "Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim"

Call to Confession:

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

Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Pardon:

Jesus Christ came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. By his death our sin is forgiven. By his resurrection we are raised into the new life of God. In the name of Jesus Christ I declare you forgiven.

◆**Hymn of Praise:** #246 "Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

◆**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

Old Testament: Leviticus 16:1-5

Psalter Response: Psalm 143 (see insert)

New Testament: Romans 3:21-26

Sermon: "It Takes an Act of God"

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** #301 "Join All the Glorious Names"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution

◆**Hymn of Response:** #521 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing
Less"

◆**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

Greeter this week: *Mary Beth Lewis*
Greeter next week: *David Frank*
Piano: *Emily Doran & Marie Stults*
Nursery: *Staff* (as needed)
Flowers for September: *Fink family*



We welcome Rev. Jeff Wilson to lead us in worship this morning. He is the pastor of Providence OPC in Southfield. Jeff and his wife Heidi, have three children and live in Berkley. Pastor Doll is leading the service at Providence.

☐ **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.

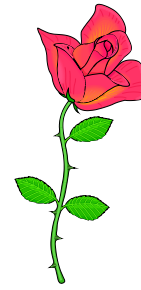
☐ **Brighton Community Group...** meets Wednesday evening, 7-9pm at the Fogarty's home, 775 Peaceful Ct., Brighton. Pastor Doll is leading the study by Jerry Bridges, *The Joy of Fearing God*. For more information please see Pastor Doll or phone him at 810-599-4232. If you plan to attend, please let Tom or Sharon Fogarty know either by phone: 810-227-7341, or email fogarty7@gmail.com.

☐ **Covenant Women's Fellowship Luncheon...** will be held Saturday, September 26, 11:00am, at Sharon Krueger's home. **PLEASE RSVP TO SHARON TODAY!!** This event will kick off the year's activities for the women of our church. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. For more information, see Sharon or phone her at 734-433-2364. If you would like to car pool, please contact Belinda Doll at 810-224-8036.

☐ **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.

Upcoming Events

Wed, Sept 23 – Brighton Community group, 7-9pm
Sat, Sept 26 - Covenant Women's Fellowship Luncheon, 11am
Sun, Sept 27 - Sr. High Youth Group, OHCC, 6pm
Tue, Sept 29 - Session Mtg. 7pm, at Fink's home
Sat, October 3 - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, TBD
Sun, October 18 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon



"Life Chain"... is Sunday, October 4, 2:00-3:00pm. It is an opportunity to gather with the prolife community to pray for an end of abortion in our land. There will be supporters in Pinckney, Howell, Fowlerville, Brighton and at Pregnancy Help Clinic, across from Planned Parenthood between Brighton and Howell. Signs are available at these sites too. Details for "Life Chain" are in the flyer on the Information table. The "roads" flyer is where some church groups have stood in the past and may be used for reference if desired. Thank you for being a voice for the innocent unborn!

☐ **COPC Directory...** the print directory for members and friends of our church is being updated for distribution next week. **A draft copy is available on the Information table for you to look over.** Please check your information and make any necessary corrections. This information is very helpful to Pastor Doll and Jeff Fink, and also so we can notify you with prayer requests, etc. All information is kept private and for church use only.



Women's Bible Study will resume again soon. We will be studying the book, *Damsels in Distress: Bible Solutions for Problems Women Face*, by Martha Peace. If you are interested in joining us on Friday mornings, please see Belinda Doll or phone her at 810-225-8063.

Session News:...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. Nomination forms for you to fill out are on the Information table. 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.