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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**

October 11, 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: #6**  
"O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord"

**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"

### **Public Profession of Faith**

— Amanda Iavasile  
— Hanna VandenBerg

"I acknowledge and receive these sisters, as fellow members of Christ's Church, and I will pledge to them my duty to be devoted to them in love, to honor them above myself, to be kind and tender, forgiving. I will seek to encourage, admonish, and pray for them as I have opportunity, to teach and exhort them to live a holy life. I will be faithful to practice hospitality ungrudgingly, bear their burdens, and serve them, even to supply material need as I am able. I will seek to imitate Christ before them and put away falsehood, grudges, anger, dishonesty, evil talk, bitterness, slander and impurity since we are members of the same body. And I will seek to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, accepting them as Christ has accepted me in order to bring praise to God."

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Worship with Tithes and Offerings**

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** "Speak, O Lord"  
(see insert)

**Old Testament:** Exodus 7:14-8:19 (sermon text)

**New Testament:** I Thessalonians 5:1-11

**Sermon:** "Shots Across the Bow"

◆**Hymn of Response: #684** "My Times Are in Thy Hand"

### ◆**Benediction**

◆**Doxology: #733** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"  
(tune: "All Creatures of Our God and King")

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

### **Postlude**

**Greeter this week:** *Chuck Krueger*  
**Greeter next week:** *Noah Doran & Nathan Fink*  
**Piano:** *Emily Doran & Jennifer Frank*  
**Nursery:** *Staff* (as needed)  
**Flowers for October:** *Frank family*



**Public Profession of Faith...** This morning we welcome Amanda Iavasile and Hanna Vandenberg as communicant members of our church, in making their public profession of faith. We rejoice as these two young adults have openly declared their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

- ☐ **Senior High Youth Group** meets tonight at OHCC, 6pm.
- ☐ **Session Meeting...** The Session will meet this week at the Fink's home at 7pm.
- ☐ **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. See Tom or Sharon Fogarty for directions, or phone Tom at 734-536-2143.
- ☐ **Women's Bible Study** meets Friday, 9:30am, at the Doll's home. We are studying the book, *Damsels in Distress: Bible Solutions for Problems Women Face*, by Martha Peace. If you are interested in joining us please see Belinda Doll or phone her at 810-225-8063.
- ☐ **Lord's Supper and Fellowship Luncheon...** next Sunday, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. After the worship service we will have a fellowship luncheon. Please bring two dishes to pass...one should be a main dish, and the other a salad/side dish or dessert. We will also need several people to bring beverages, i.e., juice, pop, lemonade, etc.

#### Upcoming Events

Tue, October 13 - Session Meeting, 7pm, at Fink's  
Wed, October 14 - Brighton Community group, 7-9pm  
Fri, October 16 - Women's Fellowship Study at Doll's, 9:30am  
Sun, October 18 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon  
Sun, October 25 - Reformation Fellowship & Hymnsing, 6pm  
Sun, November 1 - Daylight Savings Time ends

☐ **19<sup>th</sup> Annual "Focus on Life" Dinner...** will be held Tuesday, October 13, from 6:30-9:30pm, at Crystal Gardens, 5768 E. Grand River, Howell. Ed Rivet, Legislative Director for Right to Life of Michigan, is the featured speaker. For over 30 years, Right to Life has been a voice for the unborn, vulnerable and frail citizens in our county. We coordinate national prolife activities including "Life Chain" in October and a Memorial Service in January. We work with over 120 area churches to strengthen a culture of life. We are a 501 (c) 4 non-profit organization and are **not eligible** for grant money, government funding or United Way dollars; we rely exclusively on private donations from prolife supporters and fundraisers. Tickets for the dinner are \$50/person and include a one year affiliate membership in Right to Life, or purchase a table of 10 people for \$450. Registration begins at 6pm.

☐ **Muskegon State Park Autumn Hike ...** On October 16-17, Cedar OPC is sponsoring a weekend camping & hiking trip for young adults of the presbytery on the back dunes and hardwood forest of Muskegon State Park in Western Michigan. Pastor Steve Igo will join the hikers on the autumn foliage hike, leading them in Bible Study, prayer time, and a closing worship service at Cedar OPC in Hudsonville on Sunday morning. Cost of the trip is \$25/participant. The campground has modern restrooms with warm showers! For more information, please contact Pastor Steve Igo at 616-669-9151 or [steveigo@cedarchurch.net](mailto:steveigo@cedarchurch.net).

☐ **Reformation Fellowship & Hymn Sing ...** Sunday, October 25, 6pm at the Fink's home. Join us for a wonderful time of fellowship and singing. Please bring either an hors d'oeuvre or dessert. See Beth or Jeff Fink for more information.

☐ **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.