



*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

December 6, 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: #194

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Call to Confession:

Psalm 103:8-10

The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
He will not always accuse,
nor will he harbor his anger forever;
he does not treat us as our sins deserve,
or repay us according to our iniquities.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

Psalm 103:11-12

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

◆Hymn of Praise: #518

“Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground”

Reception of New Member

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“I acknowledge and receive this brother, as a fellow member of Christ's Church, and I will pledge to him my duty to be devoted to him in love, to honor him above myself, to be kind and tender, forgiving. I will seek to encourage, admonish, and pray for him as I have opportunity, to teach and exhort him to live a holy life. I will be faithful to practice hospitality ungrudgingly, bear his burdens, and serve him, even to supply material need as I am able. I will seek to imitate Christ before him 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 him as Christ has accepted me in order to bring praise to God.”

◆Hymn of Unity: #359

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Old Testament: Exodus 14:1-31 (sermon text)

New Testament: Hebrews 11:29

Sermon: “The LORD Will Fight For You!”

◆Hymn of Response: #195

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

◆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

Sermon Notes:

Greeter this week: *Belinda Doll*
Greeter next week: *Fred Williams*
Piano: *Mary Beth Leiws*
Nursery: *Staff* (as needed)
Flowers for November: *VandenBerg family*

☐ **Brighton Community Group...** will meet Wednesday evening, at 7pm, at the Fogarty's home. Pastor Doll is leading the study by Jerry Bridges, *The Joy of Fearing God*. For more information, please see Pastor Doll.

☐ **Women's Bible Study** will **NOT** meet this Friday. We will resume our study again in January. We have been studying the book, *Damsels in Distress: Bible Solutions for Problems Women Face*, by Martha Peace.

☐ **Covenant Women's "Christmas Tea"...** We will be having a "Christmas Tea" on Saturday December 12th, 3:00pm at the home of Belinda Doll. We invite you to bring a favorite family or traditional cookie or candy to share with the other women. Please RSVP to Belinda.Doll by Friday, December 11 at 810-225-8063.

☐ **"The Messiah"...** The Hartland Community Chorus performs the complete "Messiah" at the Hartland Music Hall, Saturday, December 12, from 7-10pm. Tickets \$8.00 available at the Cromaïne District Library or from members of the chorus. Several members of Covenant Church are singing in the chorus.

☐ **Lord's Supper and Fellowship Luncheon...** On December 21, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. After the worship service we will have a "Christmas Dinner." Turkey, Ham and beverages will be provided. Please bring a family favorite side dish to share and/or a dessert. Also, **please let Beth Fink know what you are bringing**, so we can have a variety of side dishes. You can email her: finkjb@aol.com or phone her: 248-685-0617.

Upcoming Events

Wed, December 9 - Brighton Community group, 7-9pm
Sat, December 12 - "The Messiah" Hartland Music Hall, 7pm
Sun, December 20 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon
Sun, December 6 - OHCC Youth Group, 6pm
Fri, January 8 - Women's Fellowship Study at Doll's, 9:30am
Sat, January 9 - Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast, 8:30am