

Morning Worship – 10:45 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Please be seated by 10:45 for the announcements

Silent Preparation

During the few minutes before the service begins, the congregation is invited to a moment of silent and prayerful preparation for worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Visitors please fill out the Visitor Card in the rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate during the Collection of Tithes and Offerings.

Musical Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-5

***Hymn of Praise**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #374)

***Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Confession of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I 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.

I 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND THANKSGIVING

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 7:5-73
(Pew Bible Page 401)

Confession of Sin (Silent)

Assurance of God's Pardoning Grace

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

(1 John 2:1-2)

*Congregation Standing

Communicant Members Introduction

Julian Eckley
Solomon Eckley
Anna McCann
Fern Roper

***Psalm of Thanksgiving**

Psalm 84
(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #84B)

Prayer of Dedication

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

***Gloria Patri**

(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #572)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen. Amen.

PROVISION FOR LIFE AND GROWTH

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:32-39
(Pew Bible Page 821)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Rev. Sean McCann
Senior Pastor

“Same Menu, New Location”
(Matthew: God with Us, 44)

***Hymn of Preparation**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #338, Verses 1-3)

The Lord's Supper†

Invitation and Fencing of the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

***Hymn of Response**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #338, Verse 4)

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

*Congregation Standing

Shepherding Groups Meet Today:

At periodic times throughout the year we gather in groups at the church or in various homes for lunch and a time of prayer. These gatherings are called *Shepherding Groups* because they are times for our ruling elders to meet with their groups for prayer and mutual encouragement. If you are a visitor or a regular attender, then we would love to invite you to attend one of the groups today, following morning worship, and get to know our church a little bit better over a shared meal.

- Cate: Will meet in the Fellowship Hall with the Meiners group. Bring favorite main dishes to share; salad, bread, and beverages provided.
- Cook: Will gather at the home of Gail and Jim Albee (559 Old Haw Creek Road, 28805) after morning worship to share a covered dish lunch. The Albees will provide meat and beverages. Please bring salad, side dishes or dessert.
- Meiners: Will meet in the Fellowship Hall with the Cate group. Bring large dishes to share. We will have a time of prayer and fellowship after the meal.
- Voigt: Will meet in the lower level of the Cloisters Clubhouse, (2701 Abbey Circle, 28805). Joy Frances will make a big pot of soup. Bring bread, crackers, or dessert.
- Wallace: Will meet at their home (31 Meadowbrook Dr., 28732). Ham and cheesy potatoes provided. Bring sides and desserts.

Welcome Visitors! We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. We are delighted you are here and we are available to answer any questions you may have about our worship service, our church, or even the gospel of Jesus Christ. If you have children they are most welcome in our worship service, and we also provide a nursery for children up to 3 years of age. **Please fill out the Visitor Card located in the rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it comes by later in the service.**

Announcements

The Lord's Supper: Today we will celebrate the Lord's Supper at the end of our morning worship service. This sacrament consists of giving and receiving bread and wine (or juice) to show forth the death of Jesus and receive spiritual nourishment. The Lord's Supper is open to everyone who has confessed their faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, provided that they have received Christian baptism, are members in good standing in a Bible believing church, and who are not living with secret or unrepentant sin. If you have any questions about these restrictions then please speak with a pastor or elder after the service, we would love to discuss them with you.

Baby Shower: Ladies of CRPC, join us for a baby shower for Katie Tallman on Saturday, February 11 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Katie's registry is on BabyList.com—BabyList.com/baby-registry-katie-tallman. Katie would love to add more books to their shelf, so instead of a card, please bring a book (one request is that books are free of images/depictions of Jesus). If you have any questions, please contact Theresa Wallace (828.231.2876) or email at tkwallac@gmail.com.

Associate Pastor: The Session is excited to announce that we are recommending Jim Curtis for the position of associate pastor. Jim is currently serving as an assistant pastor called by the Session. Our recommendation is that he be elected by the congregation to the position of associate pastor, thus becoming a member of the Session. The authority to call an associate pastor lies in the hands of the congregation, so to that end, the Session is calling a congregational meeting for February 12, after the morning worship service, for the purpose of calling Jim Curtis as an associate pastor. Please speak to an elder if you have any questions.

Mystery Fellowship Dinners (MFDs): Our first Mystery Fellowship Dinners for 2023 will begin Feb. 24 & 25. To understand what MFDs are and how to participate, please read both sides of today's insert and the MFD info in Friday's "Sunday Reminders" email. For more info. or to ask questions, get in touch with Bonnie Cook (828-779-1962; weavervillecooks@gmail.com).

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

TODAY, February 5

12:30 pm—Shepherding Groups

TUESDAY, February 7

9:30 am—Women's Prayer and discussion of Sunday morning sermons at Becca Callahan's home (14 Rhododendron Drive, 28805).

WEDNESDAY, February 8

6:00 pm—Supper

6:45 pm—Prayer, Bible Study, and Lessons for Children

THURSDAY, February 9

7:45 am—R.O.M.E.O.s at Cornerstone Restaurant, Tunnel Road

10:00 am—Women's Bible Study at the church.

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SATURDAY, February 11

10:00 am—Baby Shower for Katie Tallman

SUNDAY, February 12

9:30 am—Sunday School

10:45 am—Morning Worship

12:15 pm—Congregational Meeting

6:00 pm—Evening Worship

DUTY ROSTERS:

SUNDAY, February 5

Greeters: Adam Roper

Lesley Roper

Security: Rich Bishop

Counting/Lockup:

David McCullough

Stephen Tallman

Nursery:

9:30 am: Andrew Shelton

Theresa Wallace

10:45 am: Stephen Tallman

Katie Tallman

Lucy McCann

WEDNESDAY, February 8

Nursery: Elizabeth Tannenbaum

Carl Tannenbaum

Security: Rich Bishop

SUNDAY, February 12

Greeters: Johnathan Tate

Jennifer Tate

Security: Norm Bomer

Counting/Lockup:

David McCullough

Stephen Tallman

Nursery:

9:30 am: Cathy O'Brien

Carl Tannenbaum

10:45 am: Scott Carter

Jeanette Carter

6:00 pm: Jim Albee

Gail Albee



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THE LORD'S DAY FEBRUARY 5, 2023

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come—
this church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome*

Submit bulletin items to office@covenantreformed.net by noon on Thursdays

If you have a prayer request, please speak to a pastor or elder, call the church office at 828-253-6578, or e-mail ceb392@mac.com and it will be added to our church prayer list and remembered during our Prayer of Intercession.

Senior Pastor: Sean McCann

Assistant Pastor: Jim Curtis

Pastoral Intern: Wilson Goins

Administrative Assistant: Lannae Graham

Office Hours: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Tuesday—Friday

Elders: Rob Cook, Gordon Meiners, Tom Voigt, Tim Wallace

Emeritus: Joel Belz, Mike Cate

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