

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 100:1-5

**\*Hymn of Praise**

To God Be the Glory  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #236)*

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Confession of Faith** *Based on the Westminster Shorter Catechism I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass, that God made all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all his creatures and all their actions.*

**CONFESSION OF SIN AND THANKSGIVING**

**Scripture Reading**

Acts 2:1-21  
*(Pew Bible Page 909)*

**Confession of Sin**

*Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy upon us who are ashamed and sorry for everything in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults and forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\*Congregation Standing

**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 Jn 2:1-2)

**\*Psalm of Thanksgiving**

Psalm 11  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #11B)*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology**

*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #568)*  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise him all creatures here below;*  
*Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;*  
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**PROVISION FOR LIFE AND GROWTH**

**Prayer of Intercession**

Mr. Gordon Meiners  
*Ruling Elder*

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

Whate’er My God Ordains Is Right  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #231)*

**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 1:10-20  
*(Pew Bible Page 566)*

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Sermon**

Rev. Jim Curtis  
*Associate Pastor*

“The Christian’s Delight”  
*(Isaiah: Holiness by Grace, 2)*

**RESPONSE AND BLESSING**

**\*Hymn of Response**

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #340)*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

\*Congregation Standing

Evening Worship — 6:00 PM

**Call to Worship**

**\*Psalm of Adoration**

Psalm 46  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #46A)*

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Confession of Faith**

*Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. 91*

Question: How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

Answer: *The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that does administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his Spirit in them that by faith receive them.*

**Scripture Reading**

Joshua 1:1-18  
*(Pew Bible Page 178)*

**Prayer of Confession and Intercession**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

God, in the Gospel of His Son  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #170)*

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 1:1-4  
*(Pew Bible Page 1001)*

**Sermon**

Rev. Jim Curtis  
*Associate Pastor*

“Three Truths, No Lies”  
*(Hebrews: He Who Promised is Faithful, 1)*

**\*Hymn of Response**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing  
*(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #291)*

**\*Benediction**

\*Congregation Standing

**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

**Evening Worship:** We will gather again as a congregation for worship tonight at 6:00 pm. All are invited to join us again as we hear from God in his word, bring our burdens to him in prayer, and respond to his gospel in song. Pastor Jim will be starting a new sermon series though the book of Hebrews.

**Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting:** Join us Wednesdays at 6:00 pm for dinner, followed at 6:45 with a time of devotion in the Psalms, prayer, children's classes, and nursery.

**Lord's Supper Next Week:** We will celebrate the Lord's Supper next week during the morning worship service.

**WMC Spring Bible Study:** Our spring women's Bible study begins this Thursday, January 18. We will meet Thursdays from 10:00-11:30am for ten weeks, and study the "I AM" statements of Jesus using the book *Behold & Believe*. You can grab your copy under the WMC bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Please read the introduction prior to week one. We are unable to offer an evening study for the spring. Contact Madeleine Curtis with any questions.

**Congregational Meeting:** The Session has called a congregational meeting for next Sunday, January 21, 2024, immediately following the morning worship service, for the purpose of electing church officers. The Session has examined Jeff Greene, Drew Lefevre, Noe McHone III, and Carl Tannenbaum, and recommends them to you for the office of deacon. The Session has also examined Ben Badgley and Clay Dangerfield, and recommends them to you for the office of ruling elder. Additionally, the Session recommends Rob Cook, Gordon Meiners, and Tom Voigt for re-election. Please be in prayer for this election, and feel free to approach these candidates ahead of time with any questions you have as you prepare for the meeting.

**2024 Church Budget:** For those interested, our 2024 church budget is available upon request. You can find a digital copy on the members page of our website, or contact the church office for a hard copy. Also, copies of last year's fourth quarter financial summary can be found on the table outside the Sanctuary.

**New Traffic Pattern Through UNCA:** UNCA has entered the next phase of road construction on University Heights. For those who come in from I-26, it is recommended that you take W.T Weaver to Bernard Avenue in order to reach Edgewood Road. UNCA Lot P28 will no longer serve as a detour. We will continue to keep you updated when additional closures occur.

**Preaching out of Town:** Pastor Sean is away this morning preaching for a friend at Rivermont Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg, VA.

#### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

**TODAY, January 14**

**6:00 pm**—Evening Worship

**TUESDAY, January 16**

**9:30 am**—Women's Prayer at Gail Albee's home.

**WEDNESDAY, January 17**

**6:00 pm**—Supper

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

**THURSDAY, January 18**

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

**SUNDAY, January 21**

**9:30 am**—Sunday School

**10:45 am**—Morning Worship

**12:15 pm**—Congregational Meeting

**6:00 pm**—Evening Worship

#### DUTY ROSTERS:

**SUNDAY, January 14**

**Greeters:**

Clay & Carol Dangerfield

**Security:**

Norm Bomer

**Counting/Lockup:**

Rich Bishop

Grey Dixon

**Nursery:**

**9:30 am:**

Madeleine Curtis

Willy Woodard

**10:45 am:**

Jeanette & Scott Carter

Henry Tannenbaum

**6:00 pm:**

Gail & Jim Albee

**WEDNESDAY, January 17**

**Nursery:**

Rachel & Ben Badgley

**Security:**

Mike Cate

**SUNDAY, January 21**

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Linda & Grey Dixon

**Security:**

Tim Wallace

**Counting/Lockup:**

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**Nursery:**

**9:30 am:**

Liz & Carl Tannenbaum

Willy Woodard

**10:45 am:**

Jennifer & Noe McHone

Ellie McCann

**6:00 pm:**

Suzanne & David McCullough

Submit bulletin items to [office@covenantreformed.net](mailto: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](mailto:ceb392@mac.com) and it will be added to our church prayer list.*

**Senior Pastor:** Sean McCann

**Associate Pastor:** Jim Curtis

**Pastoral Intern:** Wilson Goins, David Livernois

**Administrative Assistant:** David Livernois

*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*

**Deacons:** Rich Bishop, Grey Dixon, David McCullough, Stephen Tallman

*Emeritus: Eb Preuninger*

**Deacons' Helper:** Zach Voigt

**Nursery Coordinator:** Rebekah Woodard



**COVENANT**  
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

## THE LORD'S DAY JANUARY 14, 2024

*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  
in the name of the Lord Jesus*

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