

Morning Worship — 10:45 AM	
PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP <i>Please be seated by 10:45 for the announcements</i>	
Silent Preparation <i>During the few minutes before the service begins, the congregation is invited to a moment of silent and prayerful preparation for worship.</i>	
Welcome and Announcements <i>Visitors, please complete the Visitor Card located in the rack in front of you. by filling it out and placing it in the offering plate when it comes by during the Collection of Tithes and Offerings. You may also do so by scanning the QR code and completing a digital card online.</i>	
Musical Prelude	
ADORATION OF GOD	
Call to Worship	Psalm 117:1–2
*Hymn of Praise	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #465)</i>
*Prayer of Invocation	
*Confession of Faith	From Westminster Confession of Faith 8.1 <i>We believe that it pleased God, in his eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man; the Prophet, Priest, and King, the Head and Savior of his Church, the Heir of all things, and Judge of the world: unto whom he did from all eternity give a people, to be his seed, and to be by him in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified.</i>
CONFESSION OF SIN AND THANKSGIVING	
Scripture Reading	Exodus 18:13–27 <i>(Pew Bible Page 60)</i>
Confession of Sin	Psalm 79 <i>O God, do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!</i>
Assurance of God’s Pardoning Grace	Psalm 103:8–10 The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
*Psalm of Thanksgiving	Psalm 8 <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #8B)</i>

* Congregation Standing

Prayer of Dedication	
Collection of Tithes and Offerings	
*Doxology	<i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #568)</i> <i>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.</i>

PROVISION FOR LIFE AND GROWTH	
Prayer of Intercession	Mr. Gordon Meiners <i>Ruling Elder</i>
*Hymn of Preparation	O Love of God, How Strong and True <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #240)</i>
Scripture Reading	Romans 12:9–21 <i>(Pew Bible Page 948)</i>
Prayer of Illumination	
Sermon	Rev. Sean McCann <i>Senior Pastor</i>
“Genuine Love” <i>(Romans: Christ our Righteousness, 39)</i>	

RESPONSE AND BLESSING	
*Hymn of Response	What Wonderous Love Is This <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #343)</i>
*Benediction	
*Postlude	

* Congregation Standing

Evening Worship — 6:00 PM	
Call to Worship	
*Psalm of Adoration	Psalm 24 <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #24B)</i>
*Prayer of Invocation	
*Confession of Faith	Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. 107 Question: What does the conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer teach us? Answer: <i>The conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer, which is, “For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen,” teaches us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing, kingdom, power, and glory to him; and, in testimony of our desire, and assurance to be heard, we say, Amen.</i>
Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 9:19–27 <i>(Pew Bible Page 957)</i>
Prayer of Confession and Intercession	
*Hymn of Preparation	Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #479)</i>
Scripture Reading	2 Kings 18:13–37 <i>(Pew Bible Page 325)</i>
Sermon	Rev. Sean McCann <i>Senior Pastor</i>
“On What Do You Rest Your Hope?” <i>(2 Kings: The Kingdom Divided, 36)</i>	
*Hymn of Response	My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less <i>(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #459)</i>

*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 complete the Visitor Card located in the rack in front of you by scanning the QR code, or by filling it out and placing 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. Pastoral Sean will be continuing our sermon series though 2 Kings.

Lord’s Supper Next Week: We will celebrate the Lord’s Supper next week during the evening worship service.

Sunday School Breakfast: Next Sunday, August 30, we will have a special church-wide breakfast during the Sunday School hour to honor our volunteer teachers and assistants and to recognize those students moving to a new class (there will be no classes that day). Please bring a breakfast item to share and join us at 9:30 am.

Wednesday Nights Resume Next Month: Our fellowship meals will resume on Wednesday, September 9 at 6pm. Please let Lindsey McCann (lmccann24@gmail.com) know if you are interested in being a part of a cook team, as we love adding additional volunteers and new menu items to our Wednesday nights each year!

Youth Putt-Putt Night: On Friday, September 20, the youth group will be playing a round of mini golf at Tropical Gardens on Patton Ave. 5:30-8:00 pm. Dinner will be provided. Cost: \$5/student.

Missionary of the Month: Rev. Tom Smith and his wife Mylicah serve with Mission to the World in the Qualla boundary of the Cherokee Indian Reservation. They are part of Grace Community Church, and have twin sons, Nathanael and Elijah. The Smith’s primary ministry focus is outreach, evangelism, and discipleship to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Watering Seeds Podcast: Be sure to check out our church’s weekly podcast, *Watering Seeds*. Each week our pastors review, discuss, and apply the previous Sunday’s sermon. You can find the podcast on any major podcast platform, such as Anchor, Spotify, or Apple Podcast, by searching for our church name or the title, “*Watering Seeds*,” or by scanning the QR code printed to the left.



THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

Today, August 23
6:00 pm:
Evening Worship
Tuesday, August 25
9:30 am:
Women’s Prayer & Sermon
Question Discussion at Carol
Esther Belz’s Home
Thursday, August 27
7:30 am:
R.O.M.E.O.s at Cornerstone

Sunday, August 30
9:30 am:
Sunday School
10:45 am:
Morning Worship
6:00 pm:
Evening Worship



CURRENT AND UPCOMING VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, August 23
Greeters:
Darlene & David Penland
Hall Monitor:
Gordon Meiners
Nursery:
9:30 am:
Carol Bomer
Deborah Linton
10:45 am:
Gloria Boothe
Bekah Woodard
Fern Roper
6:00 pm:
Jeanette Carter
Scott Carter
Stella Dillingham

August Deacons on Duty:
Carl Tannenbaum
Noe McHone
Drew Lefevre (Usher)

Sunday, August 30
Greeters:
Karen Shipley & Pam Walker
Hall Monitor:
Carl Tannenbaum
Nursery:
9:30 am:
Willy Woodard
Madeleine Curtis
10:45 am:
Cathy O’Brien
Ron McEwen
Emmerson Tannenbaum
6:00 pm:
Lindsey McCann
Emily Dillingham
Alistair Dillingham

THE LORD’S DAY
AUGUST 23, 2026

*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*

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 prayer@covenantreformed.net.

Senior Pastor: Sean McCann
Associate Pastor: Jim Curtis
Pastoral Interns: Micaiah Liner, David Livernois
Administrative Assistant: David Livernois
Office Hours: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Tuesday—Friday

Elders: Ben Badgley, Rob Cook, Gordon Meiners, Tom Voigt, Tim Wallace.
Emeritus: Mike Cate

Deacons: Grey Dixon, Drew Lefevre, Noe McHone, Carl Tannenbaum
Deacons’ Helper: Zach Voigt
Nursery Coordinator: Deborah Linton

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