

# THE LORD'S DAY

June 21, 2026

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go Peace

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you his people!

**People: Praise the Lord, O my soul. Praise him as long as life endures!**

Leader: Do not put your trust in princes who cannot save. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

**People: God upholds the cause of the oppressed. He feeds the hungry, sets the prisoners free, and lifts up those who are bowed down.**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

INVOCATION

\*HYMN 107 Praise Ye the Father!

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Unison: Our Father in heaven, we confess that we do not always believe that we are safe within your hands. Our fears, doubts, and afflictions often overwhelm us, causing us to forget the One who cares for us. We easily forget how powerful you are. We forget how wise you are. We forget how loving you are and how you have proven your love for us through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. Forgive us all our sins of disbelief and enable us to not only trust you, but to proclaim with certainty the riches of your grace to others. For we pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 2:1–2

Leader: My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

\*GLORIA PATRI 734

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 103 (responsive, hymnal p. 821)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY I Sing a Song of the Saints of God Hopkins

\*DOXOLOGY 731

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:4-9 (p. 982)

\*\*HYMN 144 Father of Mercies, in Your Word

SERMON RESTING IN THE FATHER'S CARE  
Matthew 6:25–34 (p. 811)  
Dr. John Muhlfeld

\*HYMN 75 O Father, You Are Sovereign

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Praise to the Triune God Eliot

*\*Please stand if able*

*\*\*Children may proceed to Jr. Church (age 5–grade 1: Room 112; grades 2–3: Room 110)*

*Kindly silence all electronic devices*

*Activity bags for young children are available in the narthex*

*Please see an usher if you would like to utilize an assisted listening device*

***Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today.  
We trust the Lord will strengthen and encourage you  
through our fellowship together.***

***If you are a visitor, please complete the attendance register in full.***

***Upon exiting the main lobby doors,  
please accept a gift of welcome bread.***

Serving this morning:

Worship Leaders – Juan Estevez, Bob McIntyre

Musician – Helen Ro

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### Praise Ye the Father!

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*I will ... praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. Ps. 138:2*

1. Praise ye the Fa-ther! For his lov-ing kind-ness, ten-der-ly  
 2. Praise ye the Sa-vior! Great is his com-pas-sion, gra-cious-ly  
 3. Praise ye the Spir-it! Com-fort-er of Is-rael, sent of the

cares he for his err-ing chil-dren; praise him, ye an-gels,  
 cares he for his cho-sen peo-ple; young men and maid-ens,  
 Fa-ther and the Son to bless us; praise ye the Fa-ther,

praise him in the heav-ens, praise ye Je-ho-vah!  
 ye old men and chil-dren, praise ye the Sav-ior!  
 Son, and Ho-ly Spir-it, praise ye the tri-une God!

Elizabeth R. Charles, ca. 1858

FLEMMING 11.11.11.6.  
 Friedrich F. Fleming, 1811

GOD'S WORD:

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### Father of Mercies, in Your Word

*Great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Ps. 117:2*

1. Fa-ther of mer-cies, in your Word  
 2. Here may the wretch-ed sons of want  
 3. Here the Re-deem-er's wel-come voice  
 4. O may these heav'n-ly pa-ges be  
 5. Di-vine In-struc-tor, gra-cious Lord,

what end-less glo-ry shines; for-ev-er be your  
 ex-haust-less rich-es find; rich-es a-bove what  
 spreads heav'n-ly peace a-round; and life and ev-er-  
 my ev-er-dear de-light; and still new beau-ties  
 O be for-ev-er near; teach me to love your

name a-dored for these ce-les-tial lines.  
 earth can grant and last-ing as the mind.  
 last-ing joys at-tend the bliss-ful sound.  
 may I see, and still in-creas-ing light.  
 sa-cred Word, and view my Sav-ior there.

Anna Steele, 1790  
 Alt. 1990, mod.

BEATITUDO C.M.  
 John B. Dykes, 1875

GOD: HIS SOVEREIGNTY

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### O Father, You Are Sovereign

*The Lord Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back? Is. 14:27*

1. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign in all the worlds you made;  
 2. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign in all af-fairs of man;  
 3. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign, the Lord of hu-man pain,  
 4. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign! We see you dim-ly now,

your might-y word was spo-ken and light and life o-beyed.  
 no pow'rs of death or dark-ness can thwart your per-fect plan.  
 trans-mut-ing earth-ly sor-rows to gold of heav'n-ly gain.  
 but soon be-fore your tri-umph earth's ev-ery knee shall bow.

Your voice com-mands the sea-sons and bounds the o-cean's shore,  
 All chance and change tran-scend-ing, su-preme in time and space,  
 All e-vil o-ver-rul-ing, as none but Con-qu'ror could,  
 With this glad hope be-fore us our faith springs up a-new;

sets stars with-in their cours-es and stills the tem-pest's roar.  
 you hold your trust-ing chil-dren se-cure in your em-brace.  
 your love pur-sues its pur-pose—our souls' e-ter-nal good.  
 our sov-ereign Lord and Sav-ior, we trust and wor-ship you!

Margaret Clarkson, 1982

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ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.  
 Melchor Teuchner, ca. 1616

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Invitations and registration information for Vacation Bible School are now available in the narthex. Please take several postcard invitations to give to friends, neighbors, grandchildren, or anyone you would like to invite. Help with decorations are needed! Please consider donating cardboard boxes ranging in size from 8 x 8 x 8 in. to 2 ft. x 3 ft. x 18 in. Supplies and easy instructions will also be on the table to take home to make some simple paper flowers and leaves for the sets. Boxes and decorations may be left at the table in the narthex on or before Sunday, June 28. May the Lord be glorified as we plan and pray for this vibrant ministry to our children and community!

An updated version of Covenant's directory will soon be published. Please take a moment to check the draft copy in the narthex and make any desired changes by July 26. Updated contact information and pictures may also be emailed to the church office.

Volunteer weeders are welcome any time to help beautify our church property. Please stop by at your convenience to tend to a parking lot island, the area surrounding the church sign on Rt. 63, or any of the edges along our curbsides. And thank you once again to our wonderful mowing volunteers who do such a great job week by week. We thank the Lord for you!

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

**Sunday 6/21**      9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
                         10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**Monday 6/22**

**Tuesday 6/23**      7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

**Wednesday 6/24**

**Thursday 6/25**

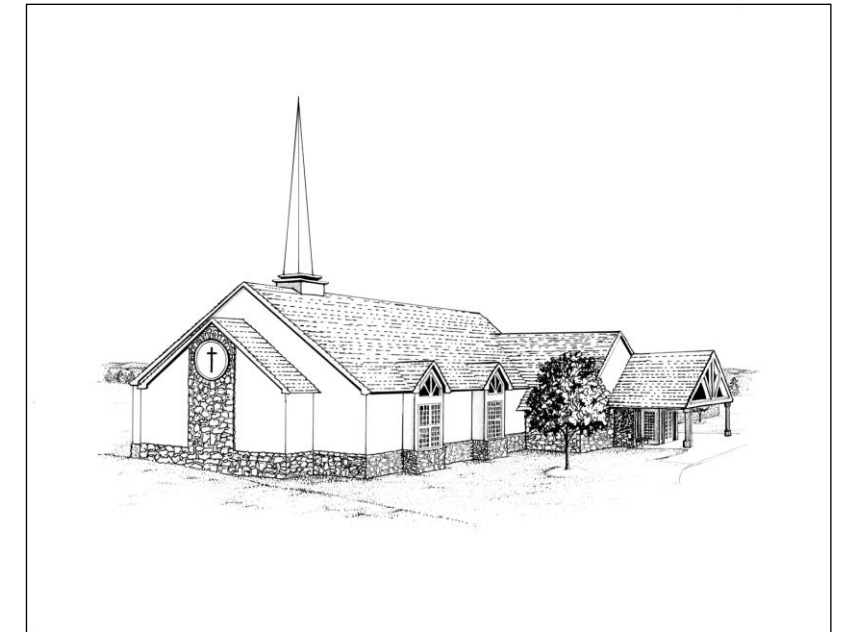
**Friday 6/26**

**Saturday 6/27**

**Sunday 6/28**      9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
                         10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
                         11:45 a.m. VBS Set Up  
                         6:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School

**For a complete listing of events at Covenant, or for more information on ministries, please visit [www.covpreschurch.org](http://www.covpreschurch.org)**

# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*The mission of Covenant Presbyterian Church  
is to help people know Christ,  
grow together in the grace of Christ,  
and advance the kingdom of Christ,  
all to the glory and worship of God forever.*



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