

THE LORD’S DAY
August 9, 2026

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE My Jesus, I Love Thee Gordon

CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Exodus 15
Leader: Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
our enemy he has cast down forever!
People: **The LORD God is our glory and strength;
together we will lift up his Name.**
Leader: By his breath he divided the waters
and provided safe passage.
People: **From our bondage to sin he has brought us here
to worship him through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

INVOCATION

*HYMN 342 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
**Unison: Our Father, we confess how easily we lose sight of
that which is central. We confess how quickly we veer to that
which is secondary, fleeting, trivial, or vain. We are willing to
fiercely contend for our own interests and glory, but rarely for
yours. Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the joy of your salvation
in Christ and enable us to contend for the truth of the gospel in
our generation. May we faithfully receive, preserve, and pass
along the faith once for all entrusted to the saints. For we pray in
the Name of the Savior who contended for us on the cross and
rose again victorious, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Peter 3:18, 4:11
Leader: For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the
unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but
made alive by the Spirit... so that in all things God may be praised
through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and power for ever and
ever. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI 734

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 6:1–13 (p. 151)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY This Is My Father’s World Kim

*DOXOLOGY 731

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 (p. 961)

**HYMN 94 How Firm a Foundation

SERMON CONTEND FOR THE FAITH
Jude 1–4 (p. 1027)
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 577 Stand Up, My Soul; Shake Off Your Fears

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Allegro Handel

**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 – Stuart Balmer, Nate Wambold
Musicians – Abbie Clement, Anna Clement, Ruth Clement, Helen Ro

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Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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The Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation." Is. 28:16

1. Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion, Christ the head and cor-ner-stone,
 2. All that ded-i-cat-ed cit-y, dear-ly loved of God on high,
 3. To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, to-day:
 4. Here vouch-safe to all thy ser-vants what they ask of thee to gain,
 5. Laud and hon-or to the Fa-ther, laud and hon-or to the Son,

cho-sen of the Lord and pre-cious, bind-ing all the church in one;
 in ex-ul-tant ju-bi-la-tion pours per-pet-ual mel-o-dy;
 • with thy wont-ed lov-ing-kind-ness hear thy peo-ple as they pray;
 what they gain from thee for-ev-er with the bless-ed to re-tain,
 laud and hon-or to the Spir-it, ev-er Three and ev-er One,

ho-ly Zi-on's help for-ev-er, and her con-fi-dence a-lone.
 God the One in Three a-dor-ing in glad hymns e-ter-nal-ly.
 • and thy full-est ben-e-dic-tion shed with-in its walls al-way.
 and here-af-ter in thy glo-ry ev-er-more with thee to reign.
 One in might, and One in glo-ry, while un-end-ing a-ges run.

Latin, 7th cent.
 Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1851
 Alt. in *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861

REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.
 Henry Smart, 1876

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How Firm a Foundation

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Is. 41:10

1. How firm a foun-da-tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed; for I am your
 3. "When through the deep wa-ters I call you to go, the riv-ers of
 4. "When through fi-ery tri-als your path-way shall lie, my grace, all-suf-

faith in his ex-cel-lent Word! What more can he say than to
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength-en you, help you, and
 sor-row shall not o-ver-flow; for I will be with you, your
 fi-cient, shall be your sup-ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I

you he has said, to you who for ref-uge to Je-sus have fled?
 cause you to stand, up-held by my righ-teous, om-nip-o-tent hand.
 trou-bles to bless, and sanc-ti-fy to you your deep-est dis-tress.
 on-ly de-sign your dross to con-sume and your gold to re-fine.

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
 my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.
6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.
 Mod.

FOUNDATION 11.11.11.11.
 Traditional American melody
 J. Funk's *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music*, 1832

GOD:

CHRISTIAN WARFARE

Stand Up, My Soul; Shake Off Your Fears

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Put on the full armor of God. Eph. 6:13

1. Stand up, my soul; shake off your fears, and gird the
 2. Hell and your sins re-sist your course; but hell and
 3. Then let my soul march bold-ly on, press for-ward
 4. There shall I wear a star-ry crown, and tri-umph

gos-pel ar-mor on; march to the gates of
 sin are van-quished foes; your Je-sus nailed them
 to the heav'n-ly gate; there peace and joy e-
 in al-might-y grace; while all the ar-mies

end-less joy, where your great Cap-tain Sav-ior's gone.
 to the cross, and sang the tri-umph when he rose.
 ter-nal reign, and glit-t'ring robes for con-qu'rors wait.
 of the skies join in my glo-rious Lead-er's praise.

Isaac Watts, 1707
 Mod.

WALTHAM L.M.
 J. Baptiste Calkin, 1872

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us this evening to hear how the Lord worked through our Youth Group on their recent mission trip to Fairmont, WV. Everyone is welcome to gather at 6:00 p.m. and enjoy a time of refreshments afterward.

The latest edition of Covenant’s directory has been placed in church mailboxes. Please use the directory to pray for and encourage others in our church family. Additional copies and the password for the online version may be obtained from the office.

Mark your calendar! The 2026 Harvest Festival is scheduled for Friday, October 23. It may seem like a long way away, but it will be here before we know it. There will be a planning meeting on August 16 immediately following the worship service in room 109. Anyone interested in participating in this wonderful event is encouraged to attend.

Please join us on Saturday, August 22, 2026, for a Celebration of Life Service for Bill Moore, who entered glory on July 16, 2026. The service will be at 11:00 a.m. at Covenant with a time of family visitation at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to a lunch reception following the service.

Everyone is invited to Covenant’s congregational picnic on Sunday, September 13 (*note rescheduled date!*) immediately following the worship service. Pre-picnic grillers are especially needed! Meat will be provided the Sunday before the picnic, taken home to grill, then brought back the day of the picnic. Kindly sign up in the narthex by Sunday, August 30 to contribute a dish, help with grilling, or assist with set up or clean up. Please contact Debbie Mihoch or Cheryl Sharadin with questions.

All non-communicant members age twelve and up are invited to sign up in the narthex for the next communicants’ class. The course covers essential elements of the Christian faith, preparing students to make a public profession of faith in Christ and be admitted to the Lord’s Supper. Students will meet during the Sunday School hour from September 20 through January 24 (excluding December 20 and 27). For more information, please contact Pastor Muhlfeld.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 8/9	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	4:00	p.m.	Youth Group Leader Meeting
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Mission Trip Presentation

Monday 8/10

Tuesday 8/11	7:00	p.m.	Men’s Bible Study
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Wednesday 8/12

Thursday 8/13	7:00	p.m.	Session Meeting
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Friday 8/14

Saturday 8/15

Sunday 8/16	9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:45	a.m.	Harvest Festival Planning Meeting

For a complete listing of events at Covenant, or for more information on ministries, please visit www.covpreschurch.org



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SUNDAY MORNING
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Aug 9	Aug 16	Aug 23	Aug 30
Sunday School Nursery Room 120	Marie Baldwin	Ashley Benoit	Ella Clement	C. Rutkowski
Worship Service Infants Room 120	Jill Buhay	Cathy Nagy	L. Gottschalk	Kristen Jones
Worship Service 1s-2s Room 123	Ashley O’Hara Alexis O’Hara	Julia Smith Jasmine Muhlfeld	E. Waltenbaugh Lindsey Henry	Kelly Little Aubrey Riggall
Worship Service 3s-4s Room 122	Laura Barbadoro H. Barbadoro	Sarah Iannotti Emry Evans	Yvonne Marshall Jayda Marshall	Abigail English Jesse Moyer
Junior Church 5s – grade 1 Room 112	Kathy McHale Sydney Ford	Kathy McHale Sydney Ford	Paul & Lynn Wichert	Paul & Lynn Wichert
Junior Church Grades 2-3 Room 110	Sondra Cattich	M. Medendorp	Katelyn Reist Carolyn Muench	Katelyn Reist Carolyn Muench
Welcome Bread Bakers	Debbie Schultz	K. Hoogenhuis	K. Kenderdine	Megan Ford
Greeters	Ryan Smith	Collier Kirkland	Bob & Betty Peterson	Bill Kramer
Ushers	Dan Benoit Andy Ford D. Dietterich Ed Gottschalk Dan Hillman Bob Kenderdine Ed Wilson	Ken Markwalter George Schmidt Brandon Jones Kris Malysz Jeremy Riggall Henry Schultz Steve Rutkowski	Rick Castor George Schmidt G. Estevez Jack Kane John Kane Keating Bob McClurken Mark Kleeman	Byron Childs David Schmidt Frank Evans Bob Lagonegro M. McMillan J. Medendorp Paul Wichert

CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS
FOR PRAYER & PRAISE

Health Related

Rita Hageman

Expecting

Sarah Walsh (Due Aug 30)

Colleen Iammatteo (Due Sept 14)

Joy Mahysz (Due Nov 21)

Missions

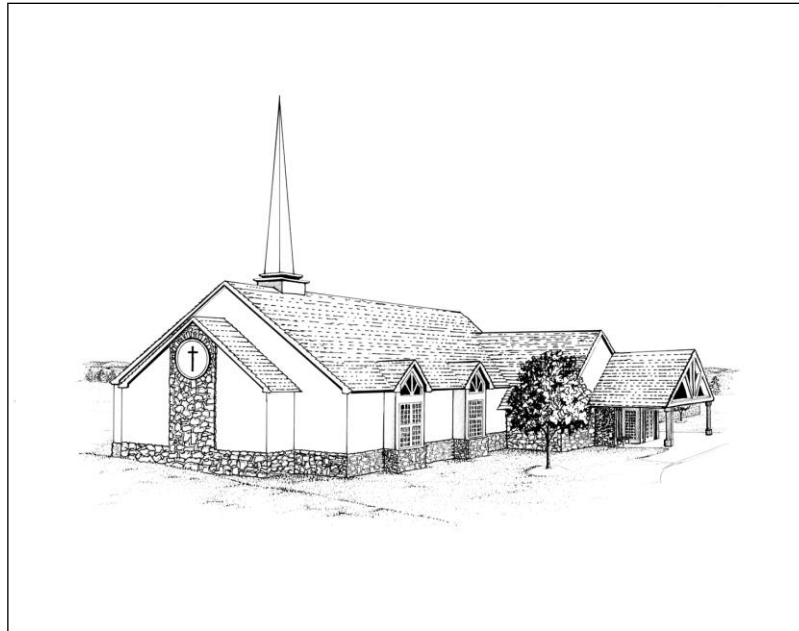
Michael Goodlin serves with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) as Lehigh University’s campus minister.

Michael’s short sabbatical is officially over, and things are rolling right along with pre-semester work. He recently attended RUF’s July Staff Training, where he led a seminar for second-year campus ministers and staff on “Working Hard Without Burning Out.”

Before the new semester starts, Michael has a few sermons to write. He asks for prayer that the Lord would grant him power through His Spirit, insight into the text, detailed illustrations, and clear applications for the sermons.

Please also pray for the team’s leadership retreat preparation in the areas of worship, meditation, training, fellowship, fun, and equipping.

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.*