



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE MAY 5, 2024

PRELUDE

Welcome & Announcements

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Meditation & Preparation for Worship

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

***Call to Worship** (*from Psalm 27 and John 4:23*)

Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

Congregation: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

Leader: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

Congregation: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Congregation: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

***Opening Prayer**

WE APPROACH GOD

***Songs of Praise:**

His Mercy Is More

Your Great Name

How Deep the Father's Love

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

***Hymn:** #56 *When All Your Mercies, O My God*

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Angie Bortoluzzi & Janis Gomola

*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving: #731

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavn'ly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Children (3 years old – Kindergarten) may be dismissed for Children's Fellowship

GOD SPEAKS TO US

*Hymn: #529 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 4:17-32

Message: "Leaving Old Ways Behind" Rev. Walt Coppersmith

*Hymn: #355 We Are God's People (verses 1-2)

Confession of Sin (Ten Commandments – Exodus 20)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Hymn: #355 We Are God's People (verses 3-4)

*Benediction

*Sending: #735 Gloria Patri

**Congregation please stand as able*

If you are visiting with us today, **welcome!** We hope you are blessed by being here and that you feel comfortable and at home.

For guests with children: We welcome children in the service but if you need other resources, a **Nursery** is available for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and, children 3 years old through kindergarten are welcome to attend **Children's Fellowship** (dismissed after the prayer). The nursery is located across the hall from the sanctuary and Children's Fellowship meets at the end of the hall in our education wing. Children are also welcome to pick up a Children's bulletin clipboard at the Welcome Desk.

This week:

Today (May 5)	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
	Evening	Home Groups
Monday	5:30 pm	Alabaster Children's Theatre in Sanctuary
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts
Friday	9:30 am	Mom's Morning In @ New Covenant
	10:00 am	Sr. Saints Bible Study
Sunday (May 12)	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
	6:00 pm	Youth Group

Serving Today

Greeters:	J & E Fiscus & family D & G Close
Worship Leader:	M. Berkenpas
Nursery:	E. Faith, K. Minnigh, J. Gregory
Children's Fellowship:	A.Meyer, E.Meyer,
D.A.D.	J. Miller

Serving next week: May 12

Greeters:	M&K Cima
Worship Leader:	B. Fisher
Nursery:	C. Miller, E. Parsons, N. Woodhead
Children's Fellowship:	E. Twilla, A. Bender, J. Faith
D.A.D.	J. Miller

Note: Announcements for the bulletin should be submitted to the office by 3 p.m. Wednesday for printing on Thursday.

Connect

I'd like more info about:

- _____ Volunteering
- _____ Membership
- _____ Bible study
- _____ Home groups
- _____ Youth ministry
- _____ Other:

_____ name

_____ address

_____ phone

_____ email

_____ Please add me to the church email list

_____ Please add me to the email prayer chain

_____ Please add/change above information to church directory

Place this tear-off strip in the offering plate.

May 5, 2024

Exodus 20:1-17 (English Standard Version)

The Ten Commandments

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

"You shall have no other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

New Covenant Presbyterian Church Prayer Prompter

<p>Authentic and joyful worship, and life changing encounters with God. Weekly visitors and strong repeat attendance. Powerful proclamation of the Word. Dynamic music and gifted musicians.</p>	<p>SUNDAY Worship</p>
<p>New contacts. Open, healthy friendships. Conversions! Development and growth of small groups for spiritual growth, prayer, nurture and outreach.</p>	<p>MONDAY Friendships</p>
<p>Spiritual growth for leaders and spouses; discipline to feed upon the Word and pray. Sermon and Bible Study preparation. Balance of rest, exercise, and family time.</p>	<p>TUESDAY Leadership</p>
<p>Adults sharing ministry responsibilities. Communication and good organization. New people with leadership potential and diversity of spiritual gifts. Development of ministry teams and volunteer staff.</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY Ministry</p>
<p>Parents spiritually leading their families. Children and youth experiencing genuine faith and enjoying Sunday School, children's and youth ministries.</p>	<p>THURSDAY Families & Children</p>
<p>Generous, faithful, sacrificial giving. Receptivity to concept of tithing and faith promise giving for missions. Increase in number of committed church members. Growth in financial resources.</p>	<p>FRIDAY Finances</p>
<p>For all members to sense the spiritual battle and depend upon prayer. Godliness, love, and unity to characterize those involved in ministry and leadership.</p>	<p>SATURDAY Spiritual Battle</p>

Prayer and Praises for our Church Family:**New Cov Family:**

Pray for the spiritual and all-around blessings for the following church members/friends and their families. This week, pray for ***Isaac & Waverly (VerHill) Jonker, TJ & Kristen Kessler (Tyler, Ryan), and Ben, Bree, Morgan & Luke Kost.***

New Requests and Updates:

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Partridge family as they mourn the loss of Jim, but we also rejoice with them in knowing where he is. Please continue to hold them in prayer in the coming weeks and months. A Memorial Services will be held Saturday, May 11; 3:30 pm @ Trinity Christian School.

Remember the prayer needs of:

Bekah – for comfort and healing following the loss of baby Ezra

Guatemala Mission Trip (Bellefield Church) –for trip preparations and specifically John & Mary Lou Zolko and Jessica & Jude Brown who will participate

Mary Jingles – recovery from a fall

For our Military:

Pray for those serving or training in the military – especially those from our church family or who have friends or relatives in our church family: This week pray for: ***Greg Schuelke, Steve Spear, Christina Daugherty.***

For Missionaries, Ministry and Outreach Partners:

Remember the organizations and individuals that we partner with prayerfully and financially. This week, pray for:

Navigators - Jay

PitCare, Inc.

RUF @ Pitt - Gavin Breeden & Callie Miller

Communion Offering | Our Communion offering is designated to support the work the deacons within our church and locally. Please use the Communion Offering envelope if you wish to contribute to this fund.

May Home Groups | Home Groups normally meet on the first Sunday for fellowship, Bible study and prayer. If interested in joining a Home Group, please see the contact information below.

Group:

Forest Hills Contact Mike Berkenpas @ 412-712-9680.

Monroeville Contact Andy Bovard @ 412-229-8489.

Murrysville Contact Rob Dalbey @ 724-664-9928

Sr. Saints Bible Study | **Friday, May 10 @ 10:00 a.m.** in the Conference Room | All are welcome to join them for fellowship, study and prayer.

Mom's Morning In – Friday, May 10, 9:30 a.m. @ New Covenant | Moms and young children are invited to a morning of fellowship and play time. Contact Bethany Nemit with any questions at 412-443-5673.

Open House Invitation | **Network of Life Monroeville Center; May 9; 6:30-8:30 pm** | Come tour the facility and learn more about the important work they are doing in our community. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information or go to <https://www.networkoflife.org/>.

Volunteers Needed @ Mosaic- Saturday, May 11 @ 11:30 a.m. | Mosaic is partnering with Jeannette Initiative to participate in PA's Pick Up Pennsylvania event. They will be picking up trash around the downtown area and moving to other areas in the community if time allows. Gloves and safety vests will be provided. Contact Kelly Bender at mcdcjtown@gmail.com with any questions or to RSVP. Location: Jeannette City lot.

May Fellowship Lunch – Sunday, May 19 | Fellowship lunches are back! Join us May 19 for fried and baked chicken. The Fellowship committee will provide the chicken and you are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please RSVP to help us plan; use the sign-up sheet at <https://bit.ly/FLMay2024> or respond on the bulletin tear off strip.

Annual Wheels to Meals Fellowship Event – Saturday, May 25 | Chuck & Zeta Turner invite you to their home in Confluence for biking, fellowship, food and fun. Plan a bike trip on the Great Allegheny Passage bike trail and stop in at their house for lunch. Food will be available from 12 noon – 3:00 pm. Pick up a flyer on the Welcome Desk for more details. RSVP by May 23 @ <https://bit.ly/w2m2024>. If you can help with a side dish or dessert, please indicate that on the sign-up.

Baby Supplies Needed – for the ASELSI Baby Clinic in Guatemala | The team traveling to Guatemala in June with Bellefield Presbyterian Church will transport supplies requested by the clinic doctors. Mary Lou Zolko is collecting the following: ***saline nasal drops, gas relief drops, and baby hygiene kits.*** Donations may be dropped off at New Covenant by Sunday, May 19 or shipped to Mary Lou by May 25. See more details on the sign-up sheet at <https://bit.ly/2024ASELSIbabyneeds>.

Ladies' Summer Bible Study - Wednesday evenings; 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Church. Jerri McMichael will be leading this summer's PCA Women's study, *"Relentless Pursuit, a Study on Hosea"*. There will be 8 sessions running **June 5 to July 31, skipping July 17** for the Fairmont Mission Trip. All women are welcome to attend, even if you can't make every session. Please let Jerri know if you are interested so that we can order the books (text 724-882-4099 or email jerri.mcmichael@outlook.com).

Kitchen Registry | The kitchen renovations are complete and we are restocking the cabinets with new supplies in preparation for the return of fellowship events. A **Kitchen Registry List** has been created on Amazon. If you would like to purchase any of these items for the kitchen, you are invited to visit the registry at <https://amzn.to/3Umre6o>. Purchased items should be given to Erin Fiscus.

Fairmont Mission Trip | New Covenant is sending 23 people to Fairmont, WV this summer, July 13-19. Join us on May 19th at the Fellowship Lunch to see photos from last year's trip and meet the team who is excited to serve this year. We would welcome your prayers and financial support to raise \$3000 by the end of May. If you would like to donate, checks should be made payable to the church with *"Fairmont Mission Donation"* in the memo line.