

# Covenant Presbyterian Church, PCA

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For the glory of God, Covenant Presbyterian Church  
exists to worship God and equip His people for service.

**Sunday, January 19, 2025**

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May you be still as we trust in our Heavenly Father and rest in the peace Christ has purchased for us and given to us in the gift of the Holy Spirit. Please prepare yourself for worship by prayerfully reading and meditating on the Scriptures and quotes below.

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### Preparation for Worship

Pre-Prelude *Still, Still with Thee* arr. Dan Forrest  
Colleen Gillespie, piano

Prelude *My Jesus, I Love Thee* arr. Carolyn Hamlin  
Brett Levi, organ

*The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.* Psalm 34:10

*For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.* Isaiah 9:6

*Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted His people; He has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.* Isaiah 52:9-10

*'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.'* Luke 6:24

*'And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever.'* John 14:16

*If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer.* 2 Corinthians 1:6

"God does not comfort us to make us comfortable but to make us comforters." John Jowett

"You must live with people to know their problems, and live with God in order to solve them." P. T. Forsyth

"Time is short. Eternity is long. It is only reasonable that this short life be lived in the light of eternity." C.H. Spurgeon

"When led of the Spirit, the child of God must be as ready to wait as to go, as prepared to be silent as to speak." Lewis Sperry Chafer

"Waiting has four purposes. It practices the patience of faith. It gives time for preparation for the coming gift. It makes the blessing the sweeter when it arrives. And it shows the sovereignty of God – to give just when and just as He pleases." James Vaghan

"All death can do to the believer is deliver him to Jesus. It brings us into the eternal presence of our Savior." John MacArthur

"If God has work for me to do I cannot die." Henry Martyn

**The flowers today are in memory of Marcelino from Katie, Mariana, and Cristian.**

## Order of Worship – January 19, 2025

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Adoration of God

**\*Call to Worship** Psalm 40: 1-3  
*I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.*

**\*Hymn of Praise** No. 53 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Invocation** Elder Rod Caldwell

**Affirmation of Our Faith** Westminster Confession of Faith  
*Chapter VIII Of Christ the Mediator*

V. "The Lord Jesus, by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself, which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the justice of His Father, and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the Kingdom of Heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto Him."

**\*Hymn of Comfort** No. 691 *It Is Well with My Soul*

#### Confession of Sin and Means of Grace

##### Pastoral Prayer

**Choral Reflection** *I Want To Walk as a Child of the Light*  
arr. Eric Dewar and Dan Forrest

**\*The Reading of God's Word** Luke 2:21-35

**The Message from God's Word** "What Are You Waiting For?"  
Pastor Steve Mirich

**\*Hymn of Response** *In Christ Alone*

##### Offertory Prayer

**Offertory** *Blessed Assurance* arr. John Ness Beck and Janet Linker  
Brett Levi, organ

#### Response and Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn** *There Is a Redeemer*

**\*Benediction** 2 Thessalonians 1:16-17  
*Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, Who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.*

##### \*Doxology

**Postlude** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* arr. Gordon Young  
Brett Levi, organ

\*Indicates when the congregation stands (if able)