



# COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

We are a gospel-centered church of theological depth,  
intimate relationships, joyous worship, relentless evangelism,  
and sacrificial service.

*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without  
wavering, for he who promised is  
faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one  
another to love and good works, not neglecting  
to meet together, as is the habit of some,  
but encouraging one another, and all the more  
as you see the Day drawing near.*

*- Hebrews 10:23-25*

# Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith

## *Welcome & Information*

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**Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith!** We are glad that you have come to worship the true and living God with us. Our worship service, in essence, is a covenant renewal ceremony in which the covenant community gathers to hear the covenant promises, which have been secured for us by Christ, and respond in faith. The congregation is not a passive but active participant in the worship service. If you are visiting with us this morning, please complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate during the offertory so that we may have a record of your visit.

**Paraments:** Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and point us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history. Green is displayed during "ordinary time" which includes the period between Epiphany and Lent and the period between Pentecost and Advent. Green represents spiritual growth and world missions.

**Giving:** We give as an act of worship. We give because God first gave to us (1 John 4:10-11). We are to give freely, sacrificially, and abundantly. We encourage you to give during our offertory today as an act of worship of our Almighty God.

**Seating:** Please be courteous by moving toward the front of the sanctuary providing room in the back for those arriving late.

**Restrooms:** Restrooms are available at the East-end on the sanctuary level or downstairs at the East-end of the hallway. Please use the restrooms downstairs during the worship service.

**Covenant Email List:** Please subscribe to our Covenant email list for church information and announcements. <https://tinyletter.com/cpcfs>

### WEEKLY GIVING SUMMARY

**General fund giving – January 12th: \$8,309**

**Designated giving: \$74**

**Total giving: \$8,383**

**General fund giving (year-to-date): \$15,062**

**Designated giving (year-to-date): \$254**

**Total giving: \$15,316**

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## Lord's Day, January 19th, 2020

*The prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the world and the sanctuary. During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.  
(Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)*

### Prelude

*The Church's One Foundation*

### Striking of the Hour

### Greeting

### \*Call to Worship (Minister)

Psalm 97:6-9

Let us worship God.

**Minister:** *Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength! Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!*

\* = Please stand if able.

**\*Song of Ascent** (Unison)

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*  
Trinity Hymnal, 92

**Scripture Reading**

Ruling Elder Mike Hudson

*Deuteronomy 31:1-2, 32:48-52*  
*2 Timothy 2:8-13*

**Elder:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**\*Hymn of Praise** (Unison)

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*  
Trinity Hymnal, 32

**Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

Ruling Elder Mike Hudson

**Gloria Patri (Unison)**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Confession of Sin (Unison)**

Psalm 51:1-2

*Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!*

**Silent Confession of Sin**

**Assurance of Pardon (Unison)**

Hebrews 8:12

*For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.*

**\*Hymn of Rejoicing (Unison)**

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*  
Trinity Hymnal, 521

**Affirmation of Faith (Unison)**

*The Nicene Creed*

**Minister:** We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

**Congregation:** of all things visible and invisible.

**Minister:** And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds,

**Congregation:** God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

**Minister:** begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

**Congregation:** by whom all things were made;

**Minister:** who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;

**Congregation:** and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;

**Minister:** and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

**Congregation:** and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

**Minister:** And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

**Congregation:** who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

**Minister:** who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

**Congregation:** and we believe in one holy catholic\*\* and apostolic Church;

**Minister:** we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

**Congregation:** and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Thanksgiving**

Dr. John Clayton

\* = Please stand if able.

\*\*The word "catholic" means universal.

**The Lord's Prayer (Unison)**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen*

**Worship with Tithes & Offering**

*If You But Trust in God to Guide You*

**\*The Doxology (Unison)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication**

Deacon Joshua Lochala

**Sermon**

*A Disciple's Life*  
Matthew 16:13-28 (Pew Bible, 822)

Dr. John Clayton

**\*Hymn of Response (Unison)**

*Benediction*  
Trinity Hymnal, 730

**Pastoral Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14

**Minister:** *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Postlude**

*Built on the Rock the Church Doth Stand*

## **NOTES**

*A Disciple's Life*

Matthew 16:13-28 (Pew Bible, 822)

### **I. Introduction**

### **II. Confessing Christ**

### **III. Growing Together**

### **IV. Assisting Satan**

### **V. Denying Self**

### **VI. Awaiting Glory**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ. From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

- Matthew 16:13-28

## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Women's Morning Bible Study:** We will continue our book study, *None Like Him: 10 Ways God is Different From Us (And Why That's a Good Thing!)* by Jen Wilken, on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Book cost is \$10. Invite your friends and join us.

**Men's Morning Bible Study:** Our men's study meets on Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying Philippians and Colossians.

**Children's Catechism Club:** Calling all children ages 4 years old to 6th grade! Starting Wednesday, January 22nd at 4:00 p.m., we are learning and memorizing the *First Catechism* and the *Shorter Catechism* through fun and games in our Children's Catechism Club. Classes will be held in the Children's Sunday School area. For more information, call the church office or contact Greg or Angel Hartman.

**ESL:** Our English Second Language School meets on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you know someone that might be interested, please have them call the church office. Please contact Nancy Krehbiel at [nkrehbiel@cpdfs.org](mailto:nkrehbiel@cpdfs.org) if you are interested in serving.

### Nursery Workers:

**January 19**

**Church Service** – Lindsay Glover & Lauren Good

**January 26**

**Church Service** – Patty Hudson & Ashton Garrett

**February 2**

**Church Service** – Leanna Leraris & Teresa Parker

**February 9**

**Church Service** – Jeanne Wright & Karen Fleming

**February 16**

**Church Service** – Jacki Blaylock & Ashley Nelson

### Staff

Dr. John Clayton, Minister

Reverend Jason Glover, Asst. Minister of Chaplain Ministry

Brandon Bolin, Director of Music & Media

Nancy Krehbiel, Director of Women's Ministry, ESL, and Caregiving

### Session

John Clayton, Teaching Elder  
Greg Bailey, Ruling Elder  
Jon Hendrickson, Ruling Elder  
Mike Hudson, Ruling Elder  
Greg Magness, Ruling Elder

### Diaconate

Roger Ayers, Deacon  
Bradley Burgin, Deacon  
Blain Blaylock, Deacon  
Chandler Garrett, Deacon  
Jeremy Good, Deacon  
Greg Hartman, Deacon  
Justin Horne, Deacon  
Joshua Lochala, Deacon  
Brian Maurer, Deacon  
Steve Rowland, Deacon  
Drake Smith, Deacon

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