



# COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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>

**Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith**  
**Lord's Day, June 16th, 2019**

*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**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

**Striking of the Hour**

**Greeting**

**\*Call to Worship**

Romans 8:3-4

Let us worship God.

**Leader:** God has done what the law, weakened by flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

\* = Please stand if able.

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

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
Trinity Hymnal, 53 vs. 1, 2, 3, 5

**Scripture Reading**

Elder Steve Clark

*Ezekiel 34:11-16;*  
*John 10:11-18*

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

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

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

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
Trinity Hymnal, 457

**Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

Elder Steve Clark

**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)**

Daniel 9:4-5

*O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love  
with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done  
wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments  
and rules.*

**Silent Confession of Sin**

**Assurance of Pardon (Unison)**

Romans 5:1

*Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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

*Psalm 23*

1. The Lord is my shep-herd; no want shall I know. He makes me lie down where the  
2. My wan-der-ing steps he brings back to his way, in straight paths of right-eous-ness  
3. Tho' I walk in death's val-ley, where dark-ness is near, be-cause you are with me, no  
4. In the sight of my en'-mies a ta-ble you spread. The oil of re-joic-ing you  
5. So sure-ly your cov-e-nant mer-cy and grace will fol-low me close-ly in  
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green pas-tures grow; He leads me to rest where the calm wa-ters flow.  
mak-ing me stay; And this he has done his great name to dis-play.  
e-vil I'll fear; Your rod and your staff bring me com-fort and cheer.  
pour on my head; my cup o-ver-flows and I'm gra-cious-ly fed.  
all of my ways; I will dwell in the house of the Lord all my days.

**Affirmation of Faith (Unison)**

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary,  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayer of Intercession & Thanksgiving**

**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 & Offerings**

*O Day of Rest and Gladness  
Trinity Hymnal, 392*

**\*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 Brian Maurer

**Sermon**

*Covenant Confidence*  
Psalm 23 (Pew Bible, 458)

Joshua Dickens

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

*Benediction*  
Trinity Hymnal, 730

**Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14

**Leader:** *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**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

**NOTES**  
*Covenant Confidence*  
Psalm 23 (Pew Bible, 458)

**I. Introduction**

**II. The Shepherd's Provision**

**III. The Shepherd's Presence**

**IV. The Shepherd's Promise**

**V. Conclusion**

*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

*He makes me lie down in green pastures.*

*He leads me beside still waters.*

*He restores my soul.*

*He leads me in paths of righteousness*

*for his name's sake.*

*Even though I walk through the valley of the*

*shadow of death,*

*I will fear no evil,*

*for you are with me;*

*your rod and your staff,*

*they comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me*

*in the presence of my enemies;*

*you anoint my head with oil;*

*my cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me*

*all the days of my life,*

*and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD*

*forever.*

*- Psalm 23*

## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**ESL Ministry:** If you would be interested in helping with our ESL Summer Sessions, a conversational opportunity for our non-native English speakers, please contact Nancy at 479-420-3052. The sessions will be on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of June and July from 6:30-8:00 pm.

**Pastoral Sabbatical:** The Session is pleased to inform the congregation that Dr. Clayton will be on sabbatical for the month of June. Please join us in praying for him during this time of rest. As a result, the church office will be closed for the month of June. Please contact Brandon Bolin at [bbolin@pcfs.org](mailto:bbolin@pcfs.org) with any immediate needs.

**Leading Worship and Preaching:** Joshua Dickens has been licensed to preach in our presbytery and is approved by the Session to lead our worship service today and preach the Word of God.

### Nursery Workers:

#### June 16

Church Service – Lauren Good & Lindsay Glover

#### June 23

Church Service – Jill Rowland & Beth Smith

#### June 30

Church Service – Nan Hudson & Leanna Leraris

#### July 7

Church Service – Abby Krehbiel & Kris Bush

### 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

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

### Diaconate

Roger Ayers, Deacon  
Greg Bailey, Deacon  
Blain Blaylock, Deacon  
Greg Hartman, Deacon  
Justin Home, Deacon  
Brian Maurer, Deacon  
Steve Rowland, Deacon  
Drake Smith, Deacon

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