

DIVINE WORSHIP

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

How Firm a Foundation

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Minister)

Psalm 145:10-13

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

*SONG OF ASCENT (Unison)

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
(Psalm 103)
Trinity Hymnal, 53 vs 1, 2, 3, 5*

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruling Elder

*Deuteronomy 20:1-4
1 Corinthians 15:54-58*

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE (Unison)

*To God Be the Glory
Trinity Hymnal, 55*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

Ruling Elder

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 130:1-2

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison)

Isaiah 53:5

[Christ] was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

*HYMN OF REJOICING (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed



1. I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, Ma - ker of the heav'n and earth, and in
2. Suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, cru - ci - fied, en - dur - ing hell, laid with -
3. At God's right hand he is seat - ed, 'til his com - ing, as he said; fin - al
4. I be - lieve the church of Je - sus ho - ly, cath - o - lic re - mains; we are

Je - sus Christ, our Sav - ior, God's own Son, of match - less worth; by the
in the grave so si - lent, as the proph - ets did fore - tell. But the
judg - ment will be met - ed to the liv - ing and the dead. I con -
one thro' all the ag - es, the com - mun - ion of the saints. I be -

Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ed, vir - gin Mar - y bore God's Son, he in
stone - sealed tomb was emp - tied on the third day; he a - rose: in - to
fess the Ho - ly Spir - it has been sent thro' Christ the Son to ap -
lieve sins are for - giv - en, that our bod - ies will be raised, life with

whom I have be - liev - ed: God Al - might - y, Three in One.
heav - en made his en - try, Might - y Con - queror of his foes.
ply sal - va - tion's mer - it; God the Spir - it, Three in One.
God is nev - er end - ed. A - men, let his name be praised.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND 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 AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY (Unison)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Deacon


SERMON

*The War Song of Jesus
Psalm 124 (Pew Bible, 517)*

Tyler Kenyon

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

We Will Feast in the House of Zion



We will feast in the house of Zi - on, we will sing with our hearts re - stored. He has
done great things, we will say to - geth - er; we will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be burned by the fire; He is the LORD our
2. In the dark of night, be - fore the dawn, my soul be not a -
3. Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed; You are the Faith - ful

God. We are not con - sumed by the flood; up - held, pro - tect - ed, lift - ed up.
fraid. For the prom - ised mor - ning, oh how long? Oh God of Ja - cob, be my strength.
one. And from the gar - den to the grave, bind us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (Unison)

*Benediction
Trinity Hymnal, 730*

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION (Minister)

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Congregation: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Now Israel May Say, and That in Truth

Sermon Notes

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Psalm 124 (Pew Bible, 517)

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith! We are thankful 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. White paraments adorn the pulpit and communion table during the celebration of Christmas, Easter, and other days to represent the purity of Christ and the joy and peace believers find in Him.

Lord's Supper: We will be observing the Lord's Supper this morning. We ask that you begin now examining yourself and preparing your heart to celebrate the sacrament. If you are not a member of Covenant, you are welcome to celebrate the sacrament with us if you have made a credible profession of faith in Christ, have been baptized, and are in good standing with a like-kind Protestant church.

Benevolence Giving: We take up a separate offering for benevolence on the Lord's Supper Sunday (first Sunday of each month). Please designate benevolence gifts on your giving envelope and place it in the benevolence box at the back of the sanctuary.

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.

Prayer Ministry: If you have a prayer request that you would like the church to pray for, you can send your request to pray@cpcfs.org. Your prayer request will be sent out in our weekly prayer ministry email. If you would like to receive the weekly prayer email, please go to <https://tinyletter.com/cpcfs-prays>.

Masks and COVID protocol: While masks are not required for church attendance, if you prefer to wear a mask, please do so. If you develop symptoms or are diagnosed with COVID and attended Sunday School or worship service the previous Sunday, please contact the church office immediately.

Guest Preacher: Please welcome our guest preacher today, Rev. Tyler Kenyon. A Northwest Arkansas native, Tyler currently serves as the Associate Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church of Somerville, TN.

Congregational Meeting: Last Sunday, August 22nd, a congregational meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. for the election of new church officers. Rick Coan was elected to the office of Ruling Elder, and Pete Fleps and Steve Kirk were elected to the office of Deacon. Minutes from the meeting are available from the church office upon request.

Ordination and Installation Service: Please join us on the evening of September 12th at 5:30 p.m. for the ordination and installation of our new church officers.

Women's Morning Bible Study: Our Wednesday morning study will begin on September 15th at 10:00 a.m. We will be using *A Holy Fear: Trading Lesser Fears for the Fear of the Lord* by Christina Fox.

Women's Evening Bible Study: The monthly evening study will begin Thursday, September 16th and will meet the first Thursday of the month afterward. We're using *Alive in Him: How Being Embraced by the Love of Christ Changes Everything* by Gloria Furman. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 pm.

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Lord's Day, September 5, 2021

10:30 A.M.

“It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name,
O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night” (Psalm 92:1,2)

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