

LORD'S DAY 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 *O Worship the King*

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Elder) Isaiah 45:1, 20, 22-23

Elder: Thus says the Lord, “Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together; turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.”

***SONG OF ASCENT** (Unison) *All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Psalm 100)*
Trinity Hymnal, 1

SCRIPTURE READING Ruling Elder

Isaiah 40:9-11
John 10:7-11

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE** (Unison) *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*
Trinity Hymnal, 629

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION Ruling Elder

GLORIA PATRI (Unison) Trinity Hymnal, 734

CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison) Psalm 79:9-10a

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name’s sake! Why should the nations say, “Where is their God?”

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison) 1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

***HYMN OF REJOICING** (Unison) *Praise Him! Praise Him!*
Trinity Hymnal, 173

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Nicene Creed*
Trinity Hymnal, 846

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Elder

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) Trinity Hymnal, 731

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Deacon

SERMON *A Benediction of Peace* RE Rick Coan
Hebrews 13:20-21 (Pew Bible, 1010)

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** (Unison) *In Christ Alone*

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh; Full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay; Light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the pow'r of Christ in
4 song; This Cor - ner - stone, this so - lid ground, Firm through the fierc - est drought and
babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness Scorned by the ones He came to
slain. Then burst - ing forth in glor - ious day, Up from the grave He rose a -
8 me. From life's first cry to fi - nal breath Je - sus com - mands my des - ti -
12 storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when stri - vings
save; 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died The wrath of God was sat - is -
gain! And as He stands in vic - to - ry Sin's curse has lost its grip on
ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man Can ev - er pluck me from His
cease; My Com - for - ter, my All in All; Here in the love of Christ I stand.
fied; For ev - ery sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
me; For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ!
hand; 'Til he re - turns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

***BENEDICTION** 2 Corinthians 13:14

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE *In Christ Alone*

Sermon Notes

A Benediction of Peace

Hebrews 13:20-21 (Pew Bible, 1010)

I. Introduction

II. The God of Peace

III. A Greater Peace

IV. Peace through Goodness

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. 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.

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. Parents, please accompany your children to the restroom during the worship service.

Prayer Ministry: If you have a prayer request, please send your request to pray@cpcfs.org. If you would like to receive the prayer email, please go to <https://tinyletter.com/cpcfs-prays>.

Sunday School Volunteer: We need a volunteer to teach our 1st and 2nd graders in Sunday School. If you would be interested in teaching or being on a rotation to teach, please call the church office.

Nursery Volunteers: We need more nursery worker volunteers. If you are willing to serve on a volunteer rotation, please contact the church office to sign-up.

Membership: The Session will be conducting membership interviews on Sunday mornings in August and September. If you are interested in becoming a member, please first watch our Membership Matters videos (<https://cpcfs.org/intimate-relationships/membership/membership-matters>) and then call the church office to schedule your interview.

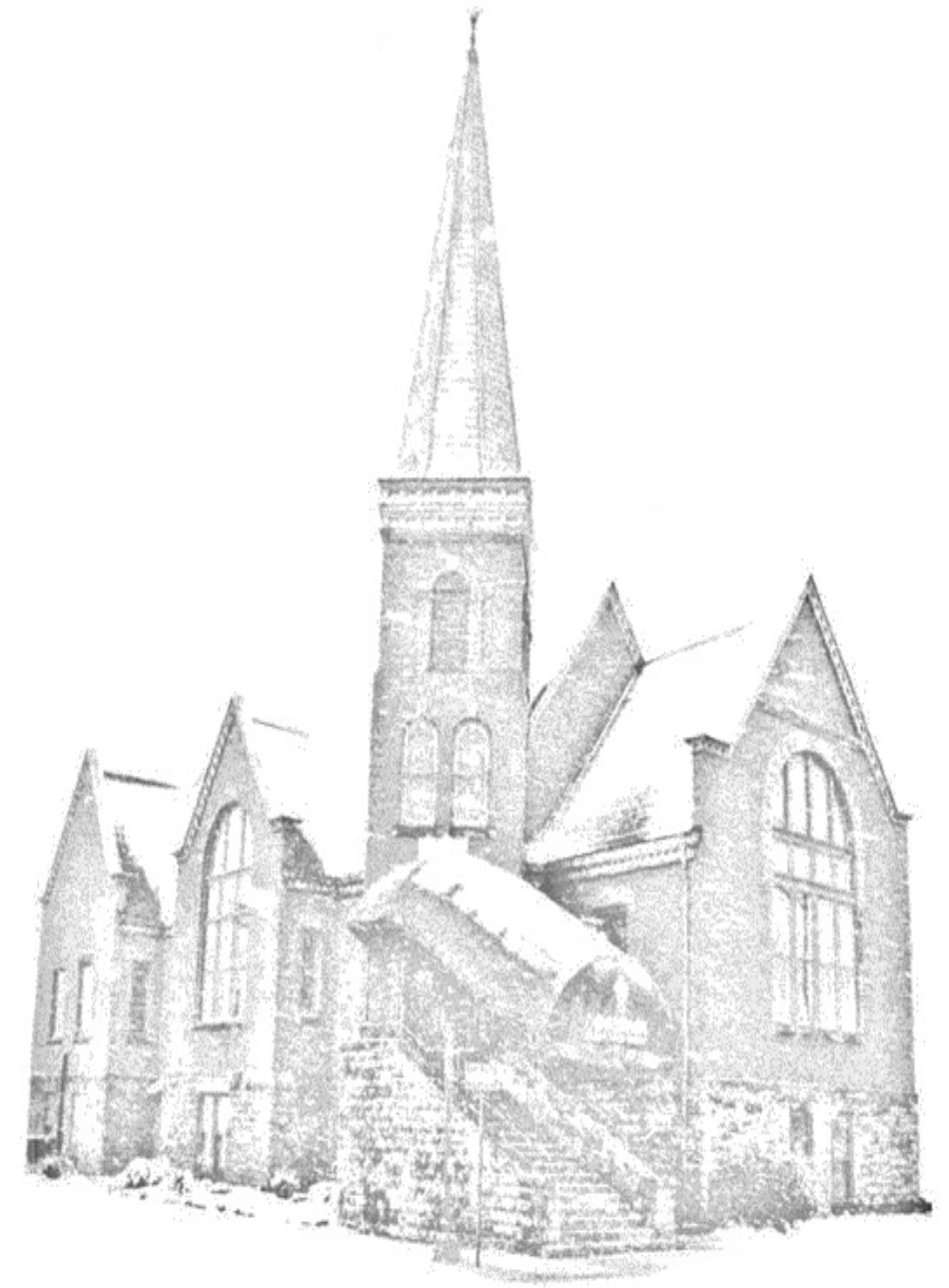
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Chili Cook Off: October 22nd is our 10th Annual Chili-Cook Off at Bonanza Park at 4:30 p.m. **Please have your chili for judging at the park by 4:00 p.m.** Please bring lawn chairs.

Anniversary Picture: October marks our 11-year anniversary. Please be present on Sunday, October 29th, for our church family picture to be taken immediately following the worship service.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

Fort Smith, Arkansas



Lord's Day

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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