



COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 20th, 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

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 – October 13th: \$7,054

Designated giving: \$130

Total giving: \$7,184

General fund giving (year-to-date): \$326,058

Designated giving (year-to-date): \$7,323

Total giving: \$333,381

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith
Lord's Day, October 20th, 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

To God Be the Glory

Striking of the Hour

Greeting

***Call to Worship (Minister)**

Psalm 147:1-5

Let us worship God.

Minister: *Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.*

* = Please stand if able.

***Song of Ascent** (Unison)

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Trinity Hymnal, 295

Scripture Reading

Teaching Elder Jason Glover

Isaiah 53:4-6
Mark 2:15-17

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

***Hymn of Praise** (Unison)

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord
Trinity Hymnal, 465

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Teaching Elder Jason Glover

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 103 vs. 1, 2, 4

1. Bless the Lord, my soul, my whole heart ev - er bless His ho - ly name. Bless the
2. Who with love and mer - cy crowns thee, Sat - is - fies thy mouth with good, So that
3. He made known His ways to Mos - es, and His acts to Is - r'el's race; ten - der
4. For as high as is the heav - en, far a - bove the earth be - low, ev - er

5 Lord, my soul; for - get not all His mer - cies to pro - claim. Who for -
e - ven like the ea - gle Thou art blessed with youth re - newed. In His
9 lov - ing is Je - ho - vah Slow to an - ger, rich in grace. He will
great to them that fear Him is the mer - cy He will show. Far as -

13 gives all thy trans - gress - ions, thy dis - eas - es all Who heals; Who re -
right - eous - ness Je - ho - vah Will de - liv - er those dis - tressed; He will
not for - ev - er chide us Nor will keep His an - ger still, Has not
east from west is dis - tant He has put a - way our sin; like the

deems thee from des - truc - tion, Who with thee so kind - ly deals.
ex - e - cute just judg - ment In the cause of all op - pressed.
dealt as we of - fen - ded Nor re - quit - ed us our ill.
pit - y of a fa - ther has Je - ho - vah's pit - y been.

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.

*According to the Westminster Larger Catechism, "Christ's humiliation after his death consisted in his being buried, and continuing in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day; which hath been otherwise expressed in these words, *He descended into hell*" (WLC 50).

Pastoral 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

And Can It Be?
Trinity Hymnal, 455

***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 Steve Rowland

Sermon

The Great Physician
Matthew 14:34-36 (Pew Bible, 820)

Dr. John Clayton

***Hymn of Response (Unison)**

Benediction
Trinity Hymnal, 730

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

You Came to Us, Dear Jesus

NOTES

The Great Physician

Matthew 14:34-36 (Pew Bible, 820)

I. Introduction

II. Patient Confidence

III. Confirmed Diagnosis

IV. Effective Treatment

*And when they had crossed over, they came to land at
Gennesaret. And when the men of that place recognized
him, they sent around to all that region and brought to him all
who were sick and implored him that they might only touch
the fringe of his garment.*

And as many as touched it were made well.

- Matthew 14:34-36

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Covenant Family Photo: Our annual family church-wide photo will be TODAY following the service.

Chili Cook-Off: Our 7th Annual Chili-Cook Off will be TODAY at 4:30 p.m. at Bonanza Park. Please bring lawn chairs.

Women's Morning Bible Study: Women, please join us as we continue our book study of *God's Mysterious Ways* by Jane Roach. We meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Morning Bible Study: Men, please join us as we continue our study of James. We meet on Thursdays at 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Nursery Workers:

October 20

Church Service – Denise Hendrickson & Caroline King

October 27

Church Service – Patty Hudson & Ashton Garrett

November 3

Church Service – Becky Horne & Hannah 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

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

Diaconate

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

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