



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Morning Worship Service
April 19, 2026
11:00 a.m.

The Centurion's Servant: No Greater Faith
Matthew 8: 5-13

WELCOME

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA) is a reformed and confessional church comprised of a family of Christian believers whose purpose is to glorify God and enjoy him by worshipping in Spirit and Truth. We warmly welcome you to worship with us today and look forward to meeting you. If needed, we have childcare for ages birth to three years and a nursing mother's room in the ladies' room.



VISITORS

LET'S CONNECT! If you desire, please share your contact information by scanning the QR code and complete the secure form so we can get to know you. We also have paper forms on the entry table if you prefer.



MEMBERS

ATTENTION MEMBERS: We are currently in the process of making our Spring 2026 church directory. Please scan this QR code to fill out the form or email covenantchurchmville@gmail.com and provide us with your most up to date information.

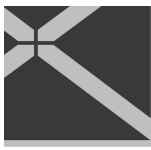
THE LORD'S DAY AT COVENANT

SUNDAY SCHOOL | 10:00 AM

A time of study for all ages

MORNING WORSHIP | 11:00 AM

A time of corporate worship of our sovereign Lord



MORNING WORSHIP

11:00 AM

WELCOME

PRELUDE – Nothing But the Blood – Mr. Logan Brasher



CALL TO WORSHIP – Pastor Bryan

Psalm 98:4-8

Reader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

People: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.



INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

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.



HYMN OF PRAISE – When All Your Mercies, O My God – #56



CONFESSION OF FAITH – Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment is, Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Genesis 13:1-18



PSALM OF PRAISE – Psalm 100A 'All People that on Earth Do Dwell' – In Bulletin



Please stand if you are able.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep."

—John 10:7

100A

Psalm 100

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are arranged in four numbered parts:

1. ¹ All peo - ple that on earth do dwell,
2. ³ Know that the LORD is God in - deed;
3. ⁴ O en - ter then His gates with praise;
4. ⁵ Be - cause the LORD our God is good,
Sing to the LORD with cheer - ful voice.
With - out our aid He did us make.
With - in His courts your thanks pro - claim;
His mer - cy is for - ev - er sure;
² HIM serve with mirth; His praise forth tell;
We are His folk; He doth us feed,
With grate - ful hearts your voic - es raise
His truth at all times firm - ly stood
Come ye be - fore Him and re - joice.
And for His sheep He doth us take.
To bless and mag - ni - fy His name.
And shall from age to age en - dure.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – 1 Timothy 6:1-10

CONFESSION OF SIN –

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.



ASSURANCE OF PARDON – 1 Peter 2:24-25

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. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.



GLORIA PATRI

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER – Pastor Bryan

OFFERTORY / HYMN OF PRAISE – Yet Not I but through Christ in Me – In Bulletin



DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

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HYMN OF RESPONSE – Jesus What A Friend For Sinners – #498



BENEDICTION



NUNC DIMITTIS – Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing – #384, v.1

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. Oh refresh us, oh refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.

POSTLUDE – Facing a Task Unfinished

Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me

Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren

D G D

1. What gift of grace is Je - sus my Re - deem - er, There is no more
 2. The night is dark but I am not for - sak - en, For by my side,
 3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, The fu - ture sure,
 4. With eve - ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus For he has said

Bm⁷ A D G

for hea - ven now to give; He is my joy, my right - eous - ness, and free - dom,
 the Sav - ior he will stay; I la - bor on in weak - ness and rej - oic - ing,
 the price it has been paid; For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my par - don,
 that he will bring me home; And day by day I know he will re - new me,

D A(SUS⁴) A D G

My stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I hold,
 For in my need, his pow - er is dis - played. To this I hold,
 And he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I hold,
 Un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I hold,

D G D A

my hope is on - ly Je - sus, For my life is whol - ly bound to his; Oh how
 my Shep - herd will de - fend me, Through the deep - est val - ley he will lead; Oh the
 my sin has been de - fea - ted, Je - sus now and ev - er is my plea; Oh the
 my hope is on - ly Je - sus, All the glo - ry ev - er - more to him; When the

D Em D/F# G D/A A(SUS⁴) A D

strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

SERMON NOTES

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WORSHIP 101

Welcome to our church and to one of the most vital things we do: worshipping the Living God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We hope that as you worship with us, your hearts will be enriched, your minds opened to the things of God, and your desires shaped to His will. Below is the layout of our morning worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Since we are a worshipping community, we may have a few announcements of common interest before the Prelude, but please read the items of interest in your bulletin. Join us in any of our activities.

PRELUDE: A musical piece planned for reflection and preparation. We recognize that most of us lead very hectic lives. Please calm your heart and prepare to meet God. Meditation on Scripture or reading over the words of hymns for the service is often helpful.

CALL TO WORSHIP: The tone of the service begins with Scripture, reminding us all of our purpose.

SINGING UNTO THE LORD: We welcome you to pray, praise, and witness during our songs. We use hymns that are time-tested, focused on God, and reverent. Our goal is to bring you into the presence of the exalted God, no less, who joins us in worship. When special music is included, it is offered as an act of worship to the glory of God. Since it is not a performance for our entertainment, we ask you hold your applause.

CONFESSION: Often we use historic confessions or creeds to verbalize our faith publicly and to unite us together. Usually, the pastor will identify the time period or setting of an ancient confession. We also use Prayers of Confessions, with an announcement of Pardon from sin — good news for all believers. We invite you to enter sincerely into these opportunities to acknowledge our brokenness – in thought, word, and deed – and to receive God’s forgiveness through Christ.

PASTORAL PRAYER: A time to praise, petition, and communicate with God. We often pray for specific needs of our congregation at this time, as well as use words and phrases from the Bible.

OFFERING: Our church’s work is supported by grateful givers and their tithes, which belong to the Lord (Mal. 3:10).

SCRIPTURE READINGS: We believe that God’s Word is perfect and cannot fail. Thus, we seek to saturate our worship with as much of God’s Word as possible. Every service of worship will feature many portions of God’s Word because it is the bread of life.

SERMON: An explanation of the Bible verses read. Our pastors frequently preach through books of the Bible, trusting God’s Spirit to apply His Word to your hearts. The sermon’s purpose is not so much to entertain as it is to unfold and apply the eternal message of God.

BENEDICTION: While the benediction is pronounced, reverently meditate and rejoice in God’s blessing. It is quite literally a "good word", taken from Scripture to give a concluding blessing to the service.

POSTLUDE: Celebratory music played after the service has concluded. During this time, be sure to greet one another and deepen your friendships as an overflow of worship.

In essence, we seek to worship God as modeled in Scripture, not according to human imagination, custom, creativity, or glamour. This ancient and reverent worship form depends on God’s ordinary methods: preaching, prayer, and the sacraments as effective means by which God conveys grace, strength, truth, love, and eternal life. We extend our hands to invite you to join us.

PASTORAL STAFF

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CHURCH OFFICERS

The Session

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Pastor Bryan

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Dr. Scott Buchanan

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Mr. Bruce Dempster

The Diaconate

Mr. Brione Burrows

Mr. Marty Dominy

Mr. Tom Ivey

Mr. Cason Kelley

Mr. Hunter McComb

MISSIONS

Will & Summer Zimmer, Austin Hessinger, Sara Johnson, Lexie Anderson, & Cameron Watson

Maclain Sewell, Karaline Dunn, Marissa D'Ambriso

Caring Solutions (Formerly CPC)

Covenant Care

David & Erin Pervis

Craig & Stacy Pohl

Rodney & Jana Davilla

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Dan & Mako Gilchrist

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Adam Wilson (UK Partnership)

Deiniol Williams (UK Partnership)

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Macon, GA

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MTW - Tokyo (Chiba), Japan

MTW - El Salvador

MTW - New York, NY

MTW - Kuopio, Finland

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT COVENANT

Friday, May 1st	Men's Steak Dinner @ the Hartleys'
Sunday, May 3rd	Fellowship Sunday & Graduate Celebration

April						
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29	30	31	1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	<u>1</u>	2
<u>3</u>						

CHILDCARE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	CHURCH
April 19th	Summer Zimmer and Ruth Mbiad	Evie Beadles and Lucy Dowdy
April 26th	Kaley Wallace and Lexie Anderson	Kelea Buchanan and Laura Gillespie
APRIL GREETERS	Garrett and Sara Johnson	

REGULAR GROUP MEETINGS

Wednesday..... Men's prayer @ C.E. Building 7:00-7:45 a.m.

Thursday..... Ladies' Bible Study @ Sanctuary Classroom 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Sunday..... Sunday School @ C.E. Building 10:00-10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service @ Sanctuary 11:00 a.m.

COVENANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL: The May fellowship meal will be on May 3rd honoring our college and high school graduates. It will be hosted by the Mbiads, Hartleys, and Watsons immediately following the 11:00 a.m. church service. The main meat will be chicken provided by the church. Please use the QR code on the left to RSVP and sign up to bring a side dish or dessert. **Having a head count for who is coming is extremely helpful!!** Thank you.



MEN'S STEAK DINNER: The men's steak dinner will be hosted by the Hartleys on May 1st at 6:30 p.m. Bring your own steak/meat, seasoning, and drink of choice. Baked potatoes and other sides will be provided. Please RSVP using the QR code to the left so we can get a head count. Bring a dessert if you would like and join us for a great time of fellowship – above all, be sure to come hungry!

STUDY HALL: We will host a study hall May 7–8 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the C.E. Building. Breakfast, snacks, coffee, and pizza (on Friday) will be provided. Students are welcome to come and go as needed and take advantage of this dedicated study space.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: This year's VBS will be held June 3–5 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. for children of all ages. The theme is "Seek and Ye Shall Find." Mark your calendars and join us for a fun and enriching week!

SANCTUARY UPDATE: The Diaconate has proposed, and the Session has approved, replacing the flooring in the sanctuary and narthex with LVP. The project is scheduled for the first two weeks of June at a cost of \$49,000; a special fund will be available for those who wish to contribute toward this important update, with any additional giving helping support future improvements.

LADIES' EMAIL UPDATES: Any women interested in receiving our monthly women's committee email updates can email covenantchurchmville@gmail.com with your contact information and we will include you in our mailing list!

CHILDREN'S SUPERVISION REMINDER: For the safety and respect of our church family, we ask that children refrain from running in the sanctuary and are not outside without adult supervision. Parents, please help us by keeping track of your children at all times and ensuring they are under your direct supervision.

MEN'S PRAYER: The men meet each Wednesday in the C.E. Building from 7 to 7:45 a.m. where they are praying through the Psalms.

ROMANS STUDY: The Thursday morning women's Bible Study meets from 10 a.m. to noon. The ladies are studying Romans and are led by Gail Pohl.

CATECHORUS: This Sunday School class for ages 6–12 is taught by Pastor Bryan, Logan and Rebecca Brasher, with additional helpers. Join us as we explore these timeless truths—building a strong foundation in God's Word for ourselves, our families, and those who will come after us. "The faith you pass to the next generation is the greatest legacy you can leave." There is a resource page available at this link and QR code for more information.

<https://www.covenantchurchmville.org/children>



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