



# Confirmation Sunday

Welcome to  
Covenant Congregational Church

*Covenant Congregational Church exists to build a welcoming community  
so that all generations can know God, participate freely, and grow in faith together.*

Covenant Congregational Church  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Confirmation Sunday

Worship Service

May 17, 2026

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

*Lead Me, Lord – arr. Thygerson*

WELCOME

Cheryl Opper

Announcements

GATHERING

\*Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made

**A day for praising God together**

A day for new beginnings

**A day for remembering promises**

Will you seek to relate to us not simply as children in the faith  
but as people on the way with Christ?

**With God's help, we will!**

\*Opening Song

*Goodness of God*

Screen

\*Invocation

Greeting One Another

PROCLAMATION

Testimony of God's Blessing

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism *Pierre Frederick Clark*

Hymn of Response

*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

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Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 23

Confirmands

New Testament Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

Antonio Gomes

Response: The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Homily

Pastor Ryan

RESPONSE

The 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 sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,**

**for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us – Heather Sorenson*

\*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.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Rite of Confirmation

Pierre Frederick Clark, Antonio Robert Gomes  
Rosemary Louise Marie Johnson  
Luke Michael Malasi, Gunnar Andrew McNeil

Address to Congregation

Testimonies of God's Blessing

Statement of Faith

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hades;  
the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy Christian Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Confession of Personal Faith

Prayers of Blessing

Reflections, Thanks and Video

Cheryl Opper

SENDING

\*Closing Hymn

*God, Creator of Your People*

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\*Benediction

(Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.)

POSTLUDE

*All the Way, He Leadeth Me – arr. Wilson*

\*Please stand as able.

## Worship Participants

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| Co-Pastors .....           | Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson                             |
| Greeters .....             | Heather Willis and Bob Hall  |
| Worship Leader .....       | Cheryl Opper   |
| Acolytes .....             | Ada Gomes and Susanna Johnson  |
| Usher .....                | Melissa Gallinaro  |
| Confirmands .....          | Pierre Clark, Antonio Gomes, Rosie Johnson, Luke Malasi, Gunnar McNeil                     |
| Confirmation Leaders ..... | Peter Fredericksen, Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson, Cheryl Opper                               |
| Scripture Reader .....     | Antonio Gomes  |
| Worship Band .....         | Chris Allison, Vicky Papetti, Tony Ivaldi, Jeff Burton, Peter Fredericksen and Pastor Ryan |
| Choir Director/Piano ..... | Alice Fu   |
| Violin .....               | Vicky Papetti  |
| Flute .....                | Lou Ann Falls  |
| Bass .....                 | Chris Allison  |
| Clarinet/Saxophone .....   | Alex West  |
| Organ .....                | Susan Santry   |
| A.V. Tech Team .....       | Jeff Burton, Dave Sproul, Adam Buckley and Andrew West                                     |
| Sanctuary Keepers .....    | Rob Driscoll and Priscilla Driscoll  |

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## Children Are Welcome at CCC

We welcome the movement and whispers (that are often louder than whispers) of children in the worship service. In addition:

- Children are welcome to stay in the worship service. There are clipboards with children's bulletins and activities available in the narthex.
- During worship, children, toddlers through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, are dismissed to Sunday School classes. Children go to their classrooms and are returned to their parents during the final song of the service. Parents will sign their children in at the table in the narthex and, if they wish, are welcome to accompany them to their classroom to get them settled.
- There is a play room off of the narthex with a video feed and a viewing room with a window into the sanctuary. This is also the meeting room for "wobble worship", the class for toddlers to pre-k, which meets during the second half of worship.

Coffee and refreshments are available after worship in the fireside room, hosted today by the Church Council. All are welcome!

Online giving is available at [ecovchurch.org/donate](http://ecovchurch.org/donate) or by scanning the QR code with your phone.



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