

Covenant Congregational Church
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Service September 17, 2023 10:30 a.m.
PRELUDE *There's a Wideness In God's Mercy* arr. Blake

WELCOME Peter Fredericksen
Announcements

GATHERING
*Gathering Hymn *When We Walk With the Lord* #376

*Call to Worship
Happy are we who hear the joyful call to worship,
for we walk in the light of God's presence!
Let's worship God together—
celebrating who he is and all that he has done!
For God is our strength and our protection,
the One in whom we trust.

*Invocation
Greeting One Another

PROCLAMATION
Children's Message Pastor Ryan

Dismissal Blessing of the Children
Congregation: The Lord be with you.
Children: And also with you!

Scripture Readings Sara Papetti
Psalm Reading: Psalm 114
Gospel Reading: Matthew 18: 21-35
Response: The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Preparation *He's Ever over Me* #428
Sermon God Makes a Way Pastor Ryan
Exodus 14: 5-22

RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer and 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 *Go Down Moses* Spiritual
Men's Chorus
Bob Peoples, Mike Bassett and Gary Hight, soloists

*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

SENDING
*Closing Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* #412

*Benediction

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

POSTLUDE *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* arr. Walz
*Please stand as able.

Worship Participants

Co-Pastors.....Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson
Greeters.....Heather Willis and Ed Willis
Worship Leader.....Peter Fredericksen
Usher.....Melissa Gallinaro
Scripture Reader.....Sara Papetti
Soloists.....Bob Peoples, Mike Bassett and Gary Hight
Violin.....Vicky Papetti
Bass.....Chris Allison
Flute.....Lou Ann Falls
Piano.....Alice Fu
Organ.....Susan Santry
Music Director.....Ginny Elson
A.V. Tech Team.....Jeff Burton, Dave Sproul and Adam Buckley
Sanctuary Keepers.....Priscilla and Rob 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.
- There is a viewing and play room available during the entire service with an audio feed and window into the sanctuary, second left in the Narthex.
- During worship, children are dismissed to Sunday School classes. Children have their classes downstairs 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.

Coffee and refreshments are available after worship in the fireside room. All are welcome!

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