

Covenant Congregational Church		
17 th Sunday after Pentecost		
Holy Communion		
Worship Service	October 2, 2022	10:30 a.m.
PRELUDE	<i>This Is My Father's World</i>	arr. Shackley
WELCOME		
Announcements		Marcia Johnson
Greeting One Another		
Introit	<i>Christians, We Have Come to Worship</i>	arr. Wagner
GATHERING		
*Call to Worship		
	Called to be branches in Christ's body,	
	we yearn to be connected to the vine.	
	Called to be mustard bushes offering shade to God's creatures,	
	we search for places to plant the seeds of faith.	
	Called to be growing with God in the midst of this world's painful questions,	
	we seek God's nurturing presence.	
*Hymn of Praise	<i>O Come, Let Us Adore Him</i>	#36
*Invocation		
Choral Anthem	<i>Children of the Heavenly Father</i>	arr. Liemohn
PROCLAMATION		
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:	John Patrick Mercer Jr.	
The Rite of Baptism		
Congregational Blessing	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>	Screen
Scripture Readings		Kym Silva
Psalm Reading:	Psalm 20	
New Testament Lesson:	2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17	
Response:	The Word of the Lord.	
	Thanks be to God!	
Sermon	Mark 4:26-29	Pastor Ryan
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.	

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION		
Invitation to the Lord's Supper		
Hymn of Preparation	<i>I Come with Joy, a Child of God</i>	#550
*Affirmation of Faith		
	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.	
Words of Institution		
Prayer of Consecration		
Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup		
Sharing the Bread and Cup	<i>Remember</i>	arr. Shackley
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
Offertory	<i>Hymn of Promise</i>	arr. Carter
*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	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty</i>	#113
*Benediction		
(Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.)		
POSTLUDE	<i>Sent Forth by God's Blessing</i>	arr. Krug
*Please stand as able		

Holy Communion at Covenant Congregational Church is open to all who confess Jesus as Savior and seek to follow him as Lord.

Today we celebrate the baptism of John Patrick Mercer Jr., son of Emily and John Mercer. They are joined by sponsors Shaunna Lattuca and Gregory Ribelin.

Today's flowers are placed in honor of John Patrick Mercer Jr.'s baptism and in loving memory of Ellen Bousquet, by Emily Mercer.

Worship Participants

Co-Pastors.....	Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson
Greeters.....	Heather Willis, Bob Hall
Worship Leader.....	Marcia Johnson
Usher.....	Cheryl Oppen
Acolyte.....	Elijah Jee
Scripture Reader.....	Kym Silva
Flute.....	Lou Ann Falls
Violin.....	Vicky Papetti
Bass Violin.....	Chris Allison
Piano.....	Alice Fu
Organ.....	Susan Santry
Music Director.....	Ginny Elson
Virtual Music Technician & Camera.....	Dave Sproul
AV Technician.....	Jeff Burton
AV Technician.....	Adam Buckley
Sanctuary Keepers.....	Nancy & Bob Hall

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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 quiet room available during the entire service with an audio feed and window into the sanctuary, second left in the Narthex.
- During the school year, preschool to 4th grade children are dismissed for Junior Church and 5th to 7th grade children are dismissed for Tween worship. Children have their classes downstairs and are returned to their parents during the final song of the service. On these Sundays, parents 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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