



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
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship Service

May 3, 2026

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

How Firm a Foundation – arr. Eithun

WELCOME

Announcements

Ministry Moment

BLESS

Introit

Bless the Lord O My Soul – Ippolitov-Ivanov

GATHERING

*Call to Worship

The Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord make his face shine upon us.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you!

And give us his peace.

*Opening Song

The Blessing

Screen

*Invocation

Greeting One Another

PROCLAMATION

Children's Message

Judy Buck

Dismissal Blessing of the Children

Congregation: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you!

Scripture Readings

Heather Willis

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

New Testament Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Response: The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Questions in the Chaos”

Pastor Ryan

John 14:1-14

RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer & 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 *Jesus Is the Answer/Seek Ye First – arr. Harlan*

*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

The Sacrament Of Holy Communion**

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Hymn of Preparation *We Come to You, O Christ*

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Confession of Sin and Words of Assurance

*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

Sharing the Bread and Cup *Grace Alone – arr. Hayes*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

*Closing Hymn

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

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*Benediction

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

POSTLUDE

Go Forth in Faith – Lani Smith

*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. Others, including children, are welcome to come forward to receive grapes as a sign that the Lord calls all people to himself. Individuals may also remain seated.

Worship Participants

Co-Pastors	Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson
Greeters	Heather Willis and Bob Hall
Acolytes	Aubrey Allison and Susanna Johnson
Usher	Tom McCormick
Scripture Reader	Heather Willis
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 8th 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!

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