



Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted that you are worshipping with us this morning.

Thank you for joining us and may you experience

God's blessing in our worship.

The Lord's Day

January 22, 2017

◆Call to Worship:

Psalm 66:1-2, 4-5

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

People: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.

Leader: Come and see what God has done; he is awesome in his deeds towards the children of man!

◆Prayer for God's Blessing

◆Hymn of Adoration: #45 "Now unto Jehovah, Ye Sons of the Mighty"

Call to Confession:

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

1 John 2:1-2

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

◆Hymn of Praise: #460

"Amazing Grace!"

◆Our Scriptural Statement of Faith

— Psalm 46:1-3, 11

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear
though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Hymn of Preparation: #599

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

◆Scripture

~ Old Testament: Isaiah 41:8-13

~ New Testament: 1 Timothy 3:8-13

Sermon: "The Office of the Deacons"

◆Hymn of Response: #559

"Father, I Know That All My Life"

◆Benediction

◆Doxology: #732

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

◆Please stand if you are able

Greeter this week: *Michael Frank*
Greeter next week: *Laura Jeruzal*
Piano: *Mary Beth Lewis*
Nursery: *Camryn Lewis*
Nursery next week: *Mary Ellen Oliver*
Flowers for January: *Frank & Deborah Peters*



The Linden Small Group... will meet tonight 6pm, at the VandenBerg's home. Using the Bible they have been looking at "Imagery in Scripture." For more information, see or phone Norm VandenBerg at: 810-735-8757.

The Whitmore Lake Small Group... meets Wednesday evenings, 7pm, at the Oliver's home. They are doing a study on the book of Genesis. For more information about the study please see or phone Ed Lewis at 248-596-0521.



Communion Set-up: The Session is looking for a volunteer to assume responsibility to set up for the Lord's Supper each month. Set-up includes purchasing the necessary items for which you can be reimbursed by the congregation and then setting up for Communion on the third Sunday of each month. Please see Ed Lewis if you have any questions.

New Horizons magazine... Copies of this month's *New Horizons* magazine are on the Information table. Please feel free to take extra copies to pass out among family, friends, co-workers, etc. If you are a member of Covenant Church, you can also subscribe to *New Horizons* at the OPC.org website.



Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast... will be Saturday morning, February 11, at Jeff Fink's home, from 8:30-10am. Please let Jeff know if you plan to attend at 248-685-0617. Join us as we gather for a time of prayer and fellowship. All men are invited.

2017 OPC MISSIONS CONFERENCE: Please mark your calendars for February 24-25, 2017, for the Annual OPC Missions Conference at Harvest Church in Wyoming, MI! Our speakers will be missionaries Ben & Heather Hopp (Haiti) and Eric Tuininga (Uganda). Friday night there will be special programs for Teens, College/Career, and Women. Saturday's Conference will include a children's program through second grade (age 8).

Upcoming Events

Wed, January 25 ~ Whitmore Lake Small Group, 7pm, Oliver's home
 Sun, January 29 ~ Sunday Evening Study Group, 6pm, Fink's home
 Sat, February 11 ~ Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:30-10am, at Fink's
 Sun, February 19 ~ Lord's Supper & Monthly Fellowship luncheon



Fellowship time... All members and regular attendees are encouraged to participate in bringing refreshments for the fellowship time. You may bring homemade or store bought cookies, brownies, muffins, bread, fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, etc. **Please Note: DO NOT bring any snacks with tree nuts!**

Please be respectful and sensitive to those in our midst who have severe food allergies. Bring your snacks on/in a serving dish or container.

Presbytery Youth Event: Youth, grades 7-12, are encouraged to join other youth from the Presbytery at our annual youth event on Saturday, January 28th. We are again meeting at the 3 Mile Project in Grand Rapids, from 10am-4pm. Pastor Everett Henes will be speaking on "Praying the Psalms." Registration forms at: <http://www.all-of-grace.org/pres/Youth Event 2017 Brochure.pdf>. Come and join us for a time of fun, games, fellowship, and a challenge from God's Word. The 3MP has Reball, Athletic Courts: Volleyball, Dodgeball, Basketball, Skate Park, Game Room, Video Game Station, and more.

January Birthdays

Andy Ireland ~ 1/7
 Rosemary Lewis ~ 1/7
 Alicia Ireland ~ 1/10
 Amber Ireland ~ 1/10
 Katelyn Greenewald ~ 1/12
 Katherine Harmon ~ 1/16

January Wedding Anniversaries

Frank & Deb Peters ~ 1/6
 Josh & Shannon Soma ~ 1/21
 Tom & Sharon Fogarty ~ 1/29