



*March 10, 2024
Covenant Presbyterian Church
Athens, Ga 30605
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COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: Purple

March 10, 2024

11:00am Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Portions of today's liturgy were created by the PCUSA-ECCB partnership for use in Czech and English-speaking congregations.

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION

Here I Am to Worship

by Tim Hughes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Pam Knox, Treasurer

VOLUNTARY

Lithisikiya

South African
arr., Aaron Carter-Enyi

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We enter into worship together, reflections of God's glory.

Inspired by God's presence, we gather to join in praise.

In joy, we lift our voices.

With adoration, we express our gratitude.

***HYMN 401**

"Here In This Place"

GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Lord, we hear of your great deeds, and we see them with our own eyes.

Yet our trust in you wavers, especially when we face times of wilderness and want.

We pray to you, but doubt your goodness.

**We cry out, yet ignore the cries of neighbors near and far,
and the moans of creation itself.**

**You give us a way out of trouble, for you are rich in mercy
and great in your love that will not let us go. Help our unbelief, O Lord.
Help us see the light of Christ and walk in it, for you lead us into life. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*RESPONSE HYMN 434 "Restore In Us, O God" BAYLOR
**Restore in us, O God the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.**

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22

GOSPEL READING Mark 10: 17-31

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

*HYMN 438 "Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me" TOPLADY

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from a Brief Statement of Faith

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, including Concerns and Celebrations

*"...Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**"*

OFFERING

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr., Carol Tornquist

*DOXOLOGY 469

**"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying.**

Ken Medema

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 700

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'M GONNA LIVE

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 541 "God Be With You Until We Meet Again"

RANDOLPH

(verse 1) **God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold
you, with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

*POSTLUDE

Lithisikiya (reprise)

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MUSIC DIRECTOR: Aaron Carter-Enyi

LITURGIST: Warren Combs

ADULT CHOIR

PRAISE BAND Mary Barnett, voice

Anna Murphy, voice

Quintina Carter-Enyi, voice & guitar

Donny Whitehead, saxophone

Abby Horvath, drums

Brandon Foskey, baritone soloist