

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Beloved, let us

LOVE

ONE ANOTHER:

for love is of God; and every
one that loveth is born of
God, and knoweth God.

I John 4:7
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April 28, 2024
Covenant Presbyterian Church
1065 Gaines School Road
Athens, Ga 30605
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COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: WHITE

April 28, 2024

11:00am Worship

Fifth Sunday of Easter

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION

Sonatina Op. 55, N. 1
Minuets from the Suite in G Major

F. Kuhlau
J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

And the Father Will Dance

Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to worship with joy,
trusting God's holy word will inspire us.

**We lean into God for understanding,
anticipating the Spirit's blessing.**

May God hear our praise!

May we be counted among the great congregation.

**May the words of our mouths
and the meditations of our hearts
be acceptable to God.**

*HYMN 611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen One,

**we confess our silence amid the persecution of others,
silence that has often complied with oppression and brought harm.
What can we do to eradicate poverty, hunger, and homelessness?
Help us to hear your voice above all others,
and teach us how to care for our neighbor, feed the hungry,
and clothe and care for those in need,
for as we do these things unto one another,
we do them also unto you.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*RESPONSE HYMN 591 "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" HALLE, HALLE
Refrain: **Halle, halle, halle-lujah! (3 x's)**
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING I John 4: 7-21

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 8: 26-40

PROCLAMATION Rev. Teresa Franklin

*HYMN 490 "Wash, O God, Your Sons & Daughters" BEACH SPRING

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from The Confession of 1967, adapted*
**God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in humankind.
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which
people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables us to
receive forgiveness as we forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of
God as we make peace among ourselves. In spite of our sin, God gives us
power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of
reconciliation to all the world.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns and Celebrations*

OFFERING *Chanson Triste Op. 40, No. 2* Tchaikovsky

*DOXOLOGY 607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 300 "We Are One In The Spirit" Peter Scholtes

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 600 "Amen" African American Traditional
**A-men, A-men.
A-men, a-men, a-men.**

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ADULT CHOIR

Carenen Osei-Frimpong, cello

Bayard Osei-Frimpong, piano