



September 06, 2026

Covenant Presbyterian Church

1065 Gaines School Road

Athens, Ga 30605

COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: GREEN

11:00am Worship

Holy Communion/15th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

Communion

D. E. Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who have labored and all who need rest, all who carry gratitude, weariness, hope, or worry.

We come to the God who hears the cries of the burdened and opens ways where none can yet be seen.

God gives food to the hungry, lifts those who are bowed down, and keeps faith from generation to generation.

The powers of this world do not possess our future. Our days are held in the steadfast love of God.

So come and receive this hour as gift. Come to remember who we are and whose we are.

Let us worship God!

* HYMN (see insert) "All Beautiful the March of Days" SURREY FOLK MELODY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*) God of freedom and grace, you created us for lives of dignity, relationship, work, rest, and joy. Yet we confess how easily we learn the ways of Pharaoh. We measure ourselves by what we accomplish and sometimes measure others by what they can produce. We benefit from labor we scarcely notice, accept unjust burdens as inevitable, and allow busyness to crowd out rest, prayer, delight, and love. Forgive us, O God. Free us from habits that diminish our own lives and systems that diminish the lives of others. Teach us to honor the dignity of every person, to seek work that serves life, to receive Sabbath as your gift, and to trust the future you are opening before us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. (*silent prayers of confession*)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS *(Responsive)*

The God who heard the cries of Israel still hears the cries of God's children.

The God who opened a way through the sea still leads people out of bondage and into life.

My friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

*PRAISE HYMN 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" GLORY TO GOD

**1. Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me
free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**2. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without
end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.**

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

(Pew Bible p. 570) Psalm 146: 5 -10

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

(Pew Bible p. 57) Exodus 12: 1 - 14

PROCLAMATION

Don't You Believe It

Rev. Tom Buchanan

*HYMN 738

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

MARYTON

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

OFFERING

One Bread, One Body

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PRESENTATION OF THE COMMUNION ELEMENTS

What do you bring to the Lord's Table?

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER including concerns and celebrations

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Server: The body of Christ was broken for you. *Served:* Thanks be to God.

Server: The blood of Christ was shed for you. *Served:* Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN 530

"One Bread, One Body"

John B. Foley

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 853 "We are Marching in the Light of God"

SIYAHAMBA

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, we are marching, Oh, We are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, we are marching, Oh, We are marching in the light of God.

*POSTLUDE

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