**9am.** Para más detalles acercarse a alguno de los ujieres.

Spanish translation is offered every Sunday during the 9am service.

For more details, approach one of the ushers.

**Assisted Listening System is offered every service.** Users wishing to try this option should ask a sound tech for assistance.

A simulcast of the worship service will also be available in the Main Level Adult Education Room (Room 112). You may view and hear the full service from this room with others that use this space. As you consider your family's needs during worship, please feel free to use this area to continue your worship!

Nursing Mothers Room available downstairs near the fellowship hall in room 009. You may view and hear the full service, while comfortably nursing and caring for your child.

Nursery is available downstairs for newborn to age 4. Children age 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to continue worship in Children's Church following the offertory song.

**Large Print Bulletin Available.** See one of the greeters for the large print bulletin.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pray with a Shepherd after both worship services.** After each service, leaders of APC's shepherding ministry will be waiting at the front of the Sanctuary. They would love to pray with you about any topic.

**International Worship Service is Saturday, June 29th, from 5-7 pm.** Come together as various nations in a united celebration of Christ! An hour will be devoted to multilingual worship, followed by an hour of fellowship and food samplings downstairs in the fellowship hall.

**Congregational Meeting and Potluck is on June 30th at 5pm.** APC family, we invite you to attend the upcoming Congregational Meeting where we will give updates and present the budget for the upcoming year. The meeting will be followed by a potluck in the fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to share! **Volunteers are needed to and to clean-up afterwards.** 

Save The Date: Women's Summer Bible Study starting Wednesday, July 10. More details to follow.

**Do you know any interns on Capitol Hill this Summer? Are you an intern?** Tell about or join our denomination's Ministry to State for Commons, a summer program for interns working in Washington, D.C. Tuesdays from June 4-July 30 will feature a free dinner, fellowship with other interns, and a talk from Christian leaders in government. Where: The Newman's 1825 Independence Ave SE, 20003. RSVP: https://ministrytostate.typeform.com/commons

#### SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

**Hospitality** This Week: Gladys Acevedo

Nursery This Week (9am): Leslie Bridge, Flora Chipana, Juliet Edem, Nathan

Leamer, Abigail and Ellie Olsen, Jo Porwoll, Juliana Richardson, Margaret

Veenstra

This Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Caitlin Jolly, Gina Mitchell, Tom Mood, Julie

Myers, Eleanor Nagy, Andrea Romyn

**Next Week (9am):** Nikki Blank, Jon Blank, Owen Gentry, Andrea and Mary Ellis Jones, Madison Newman, Amanda and Tom Petelik, Christian Poole,

Evan and Maureen Ward

Next Week (11am): Rick and Sara Eppright, Gina Mitchell, KayCee Poole

Ben and Kimberly Signer

Children's Church 9am: Mary Lou and Chase Chesser, Nathan and Amanda Leamer

**11am:** Ryan and Erin Furgerson Pete Olsen, Collin White, Sam White

**Tech Team** Pete Olsen, Collin White, Sam White **Greeters 9am:** Allison Family, Mike and Vicki Gutshall, Lindsay

Hutter, Bryant and Lynn Streett, Lynette VanderSchaaf

11am: Maggie Cho, Jodie and Anna Kirk, Chris Nelms, Lynette VanderSchaaf

9am: Mark Adams, Femi Adeniji, Sue Edwards, Brian Field, Katty and Daniel

Hoyle, Romedy Murr, Sam White

11am: Christian and Connor Brittle, Rick Eppright, Vynn Huh, Jodie

and Seth Kirk

Ushers

# **KEY EQUIPPING** No Sunday Evening Key Equipping

During our Key Equipping time on Sunday evenings from 5-7pm, ministries are designed to equip all ages, from toddlers to seniors, to be followers and worshipers of Jesus.

Covenant Kids, PROTAS, and adult classes will resume on August 25th.

International Worship Service Food Sign-Up



Congregational

Meeting

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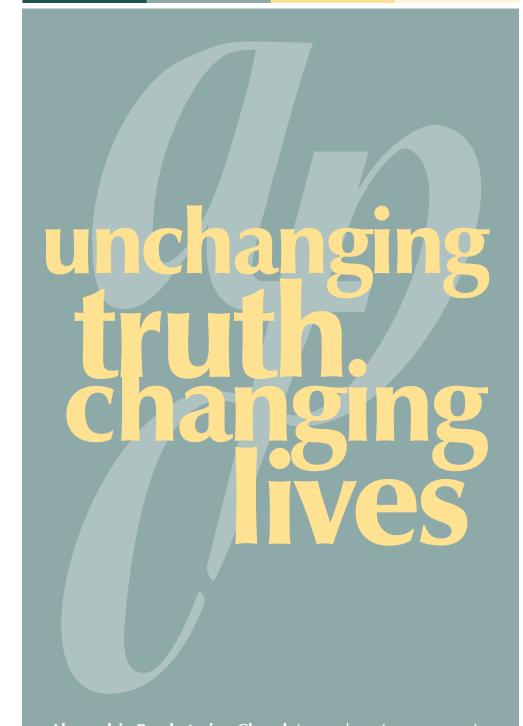


Covenant Fellowship Groups



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# Holy Worship Service GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

prelude

**all to worship** | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

1 John 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup> See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

#### GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

## song of praise

#### O My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears; the bleeding Sacrifice on my behalf appears. Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands; my name is written on His hands.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede, His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead; His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race, and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

O my soul, arise! Behold the risen Christ, your great High Priest, your spotless Sacrifice. O my soul, arise! God owns you as His child. Shake off your guilty fears, my soul, arise!

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary;

they pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.

"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,

"don't let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear. He owns me as His child; I can no longer fear. With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh, and "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

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## prayer of adoration

# GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

scripture reading | Steve Sylvia (9am); Dave Broyles (11am)

Romans 8:12-17 (pg. 888)

#### **Heirs with Christ**

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him

#### GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

# songs of praise

#### Father, How Sweet

Father, how sweet must be the pleasure You find in Your eternal Son; for long before You made the heavens, both You and He rejoiced as one; and long before You formed the angels, before You made the day and night, Jesus exulted in Your presence, and He was all of Your delight.

Father, what love You've shown to rebels, that You would send Your Son so dear into this world of grief and trouble to bring unworthy sinners near. We'll never fathom how it pained You when You supplied the offering, to rescue those who had disdained You, to watch Your dear Son suffering.

Jesus, it fills our hearts with wonder, that You would leave Your heavenly place to take on flesh, to thirst and hunger, to save the ones who spurned Your grace. You came to forfeit every mercy, to die, that mercy we would find; and then You hung alone in darkness, so in our hearts Your grace would shine.

Jesus, in glory You've ascended, never again to leave Your throne; because of You, we are befriended, received and welcomed as God's own. Father, how sweet now is Your pleasure in us, Your daughters and Your sons. We will delight in You forever; in Jesus, You have made us one.

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#### Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art; I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart. Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, and Thy beauty fills my soul, for by Thy transforming power Thou hast made me whole.

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art; I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

O how great Thy lovingkindness—vaster, broader than the sea: O how marvelous Thy goodness, lavished all on me! Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine, know Thy certainty of promise, and have made it mine.

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art, and Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart—satisfies its deepest longings; meets, supplies its every need; compasseth me round with blessings—Thine is love indeed!

Ever lift Thy face upon me, as I work and wait for Thee; resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee. Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face—keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace.

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## sacrament of baptism

This morning we are pleased to baptize the following covenant children: Evelyn Marie Jessee, daughter of Ben and Abigail Jessee (9am) Joseph Stanley Girgenti, son of Frank and Caroline Girgenti (11am)

## **covenantal** blessing

from the liturgy of the French Reformed Church

For you, little one, the Spirit of God moved over the waters at creation, and the Lord God made covenants with his people.

For you the Word of God became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth.

For you Jesus Christ suffered death, crying out at the end, "It is finished!"

And for you Christ triumphed over death, rose in newness of life, and ascended to rule over all.

All of this was done for you, though you do not know any of this yet. But we will continue to tell you this good news until it becomes your own by faith. And so the promise of the gospel is fulfilled: "We love because God first loved us."

## **congregational prayer**

# offertory prayer

## offertory | Adult Choir (9am)

#### O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

O Savior, rend the heavens wide; come down, come down with mighty stride; unlock the gates, the doors break down, unbar the way to heaven's crown.

O Morning Star, O Radiant Sun, when will our hearts behold Your dawn? O Sun, arise; without Your light, we grope in gloom and dark of night.

Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies; grim death looms fierce before our eyes. O come, lead us with mighty hand through exile to the promised land.

There shall we all our praises bring ever to You, our Savior King; there shall we laud You, and adore—forever and forevermore.

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Children ages 5 through 2nd grade are now invited to continue worship in Children's Church. Children should exit the Sanctuary using the door to the left of the stage.

#### GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

#### sermon scripture reading

Luke 15:11-32 (pg. 821)

#### The Parable of the Prodigal Son

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. 13 Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." 20 And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. 22 But the father said to his servants, Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. 23 And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. 24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup> "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

## **prayer for illumination**

**sermon** | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

"The Father Loves the Two Lost Sons"

Sermon Series: Heaven's Perspective, Heaven's Joy!

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

## song of praise

#### His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done; omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum, thrown into a sea without bottom or shore: Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more—stronger than darkness, new every morn: Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam, what Father so tender is calling us home; He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor: Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us; His blood was the payment, His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford: Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

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#### dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth and serve our city and our world as those who love the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: We will go forth and serve our city and our world in the name of Christ.

#### benediction

announcements | Rob Coit, Operations Manager (9am)

Ben Elliott, Director of Music Ministries (11am)