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Covenant OPC is a family of followers of Christ who are committed to loving the Lord and loving each other. Our vision for ministry is to glorify God and to enjoy Him by embracing and advancing the gospel of Jesus Christ through faithful proclamation and personal witness of God's Word, actions of Christ-like love, caring fellowship and Christ-centered worship in southwestern Milwaukee, our surrounding communities and throughout the world.

We are a congregation in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church which has been proclaiming the good news of salvation from sin in Jesus Christ and planting churches throughout the United States and the world since 1936.

Covenant is a place of new beginnings, yet with its roots in the past. It is Presbyterian in that it is led by servant-leaders who serve Jesus Christ and His people. Covenant Presbyterian is a church that takes the Bible seriously. We desire to be a community that is formed and informed by His word.

The beliefs of the OPC are set forth in the Westminster Standards. These documents reflect the historical, scriptural teachings on the authority of the Bible, the necessity of faith and repentance for salvation, the conviction of salvation by grace alone and secured by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Because "Covenant" rests on the promise of God and the completed work of Christ, "Covenant" shows great promise for the future.

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*Welcome to*  
**Covenant**  
*Orthodox Presbyterian Church*

*A church with its roots in the past . . .  
showing great promise for the future!*

*For I decided  
to know nothing among you  
except Jesus Christ  
and him crucified.*

*1 Corinthians 2:2*

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## Morning Worship - 10:30 am

Prelude - please make the first note of the prelude your cue for quiet meditation

Welcome - Greeting of one another

Call to Worship the Lord: *Psalm 33*

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. <sup>2</sup> Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. <sup>4</sup> For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. <sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. <sup>6</sup> By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host. <sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses. <sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. <sup>10</sup> The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. <sup>11</sup> The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! <sup>13</sup> The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; <sup>14</sup> from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, <sup>15</sup> he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds. <sup>16</sup> The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. <sup>17</sup> The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue. <sup>18</sup> Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, <sup>19</sup> that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. <sup>20</sup> Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. <sup>21</sup> For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. <sup>22</sup> Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

God's Greeting - Prayer for God's Grace and Power to fill our lives.

Worship songs of praise to God

**#108; Shine, Jesus, Shine**

(Blue Worship Book)

**#33; Lead Me to Calvary**

(Blue Worship Book)

**Battle Hymn of the Republic**

(Insert)

Responsive Reading: 2 Chronicles 7:11-14, Proverbs 14:34, Isaiah 55:6-7, Galatians 2:20, Galatians 5:13-14, 1 John 2:1-2 and Philippians 3:9-10

We listen to God and speak with Him

Congregational Prayer

We receive God's blessing and give to bless others

Tithes and Offerings

God's Word speaks to us

Scripture Reading: **Philippians 1:18-26** (page 980 in ESV Bible)

Sermon Title: **Freedom In Christ to Overcome Opposition and Death**

In preparation for the Lord's Supper

**Hymn #308; Jesus Paid It All**

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Observance and Celebration of The Lord's Supper

*The bread of the Communion plate is Gluten Free and the inner most section of the Communion plate for wine has the non-fermented wine.*

Deacons Offering: In grateful response to Christ's great sacrificial love in dying to remove our sins on His cross, we will now take up an offering to help those in need in our church family.

As the offering is taken, please remain seated to sing **Hymn #565; All for Jesus!**

Diaconal Prayer: Deacon Mr. Glen Grossbier

Benediction **Hymn #733; Doxology**

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

## Responsive Reading

*2 Chronicles 7:11-14, Proverbs 14:34, Isaiah 55:6-7, Galatians 2:20, Galatians 5:13-14,*

*1 John 2:1-2 and Philippians 3:9-10*

<sup>11</sup> Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD and the king's house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the LORD and in his own house he successfully accomplished.

<sup>12</sup> **Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice.**

<sup>13</sup> When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people,

<sup>14</sup> **if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.**

<sup>34</sup> Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

<sup>6</sup> **"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;**

<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>20</sup> **I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.**

<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

<sup>14</sup> **For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."**

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

<sup>2</sup> **He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.**

<sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

<sup>10</sup> **that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death**

## Sunday School - 9:15 am

Please join us for Sunday School, a great opportunity to grow in your knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and to fellowship with others around God's Word.

**Children** - Led by Jayne Langnes

The children's Sunday school meets in the fellowship hall.

**Adults** - Led by Elder John Nyenhuis

The adult Sunday school meets in the fireside room.

## This Week and Upcoming Events

### Custodial Care

July: Covenant OPC - DeLadurantey family / Lisa Peterson  
August: Calvary Community Church  
September: Covenant OPC - Ron Crown / Mike and Rae Putirskis

### Setup/Greeters

Today: Lisa Peterson  
July 10: DeLadurantey Family  
July 17: Becky Metz  
July 24: Josh Agen  
July 31: John Tremann

### Upcoming Events

July 3: Celebrating the Lord's Supper  
July 5: Men's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm  
July 6: Prayer Gathering; 7:00 pm  
July 11: Session Meeting; 7:00 pm  
July 12: Downtown Morning Bible Study; 7:00 am  
July 12: Community Women's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm  
July 14: Community Women's Afternoon Bible Study; 1:30 pm

## Covenant Praise & Prayer Requests

**Praise** God that Jesus Christ is our freedom from the guilt and condemnation of our sin.

**Praise** God that the opposition we face as we live to serve Christ throws us more completely on the faithfulness of our God.

**Praise** God that for us who have trusted in Jesus as Savior and Lord we can face death with certain expectation that it will be gain for us for we will be with the Lord Jesus forever.

**Praise** God that we can use our freedoms in this country to fruitfully serve and obey Jesus Christ.

### *Family of the week to pray for: Marsh family*

**Pray** that the leaders of our nation and the people of our nation will turn in repentance and faith to Jesus Christ. Pray that the Lord will be merciful to our nation and that His patience will lead us to repentance.

**Pray** for Jeff Wilhelm for healing of an infection he contracted that has been treated. Pray that the Lord will heal him and protect him from any other infections. Pray that the Lord's love will envelop Jeff, Alexia, Hannah and Sophia and draw them near to the Lord.

**Pray** for healing for Rachel Sanders and the Lord's sustaining love for Rachel and her family during this time.

**Pray** for the Lord's comfort for John Nyenhuis, Debbie, Isaac and Isabel in the death of John's grandmother.

**Pray** for the families in Istanbul who lost loved one's in the terrorist attack. Pray for healing for those injured.

**Pray** for Jane Konings healing of her bruised neck and sore hip. Pray that the Lord will give her patience to wait on the Lord for his healing.

**Pray** for Jeff Simos for healing and improved mobility for his new hip.

**Pray** that our confidence will deepen that no matter what adverse circumstances we go through the progress of the gospel in and through our lives will not be thwarted as we are obedient servants of God.

**Pray** for Glen Grossbier for physical and emotional strength as he cares for his mother with lymphoma and his grandmother.

**Pray** for spiritual and numerical growth for New Life Church located in the South Loop of Chicago. Pray for Pastor John Ro and his wife Wenny that the Lord will give them fruitfulness in their service to the Lord.

## Announcements

### Prayer Chain

If you would like to place a prayer request on the prayer chain it is active from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. To place a request contact Gordon Morris at 414-526-4502.

### Celebrating the Lord's Supper - Today

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper during our Worship Service.

### Men's Bible Study - Tuesday, July 5

Men of all ages are warmly invited to our Men's Bible Study in the Fireside Room. We are currently studying the book "The Hole In Our Holiness". We will meet from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

### Covenant Family Prayer Gathering - Wednesday, July 6

Held from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Pastors office. Please join us in our prayer gathering as we gather together to share our praise and prayer requests and to lift them up before the Lord.

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### Upcoming Events

#### **Downtown Morning Bible Study - Tuesday, July 12**

Downtown Morning Bible Study will be held at the 600 East Café on Wisconsin Ave. We are currently studying the Book of Proverbs. Our next study will be on theme of wisdom in the complexities of life. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Frank, Josh Agen or Glenn Grossbier.

#### **Community Women's Evening Bible Study - Tuesday, July 12**

Held at 7:00 pm at the home of Sharon Kolff. They are currently studying Matthew. Sharon's home is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are welcome for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

#### **Community Women's Afternoon Bible Study - Thursday, July 14**

Held at 1:30 pm at the home of Sharon Kolff. They are currently studying Matthew. Sharon's home is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are welcome for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

#### **Falls Church Nature Camp (Vacation Bible School) - July 18-22**

Every summer, for one week, Falls Church is transformed into Nature Camp. This is a great way for kids to learn about God and his creation through stories, nature lessons, crafts, hands-on activities, games, and songs. In past years, we've learned about rocks and minerals, insects and wonderful water. This years theme will be "Birds"! We end the week on Friday evening with a hot dog supper and a program the kids put on. Camp runs M-F from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. You can register online at [www.fallsopc.org/nature-camp](http://www.fallsopc.org/nature-camp).

#### **Our First Informal Lunch and Fellowship will be Sunday July 24**

Please join us for lunch, fellowship, Bible discussion, singing and prayer on July 24. More details to follow.

#### **Donation Opportunity - Sunday, July 24**

On Sunday, July 24, we will be collecting supplies for CareNet Pregnancy Center of Milwaukee. Please bring any baby-related items you would like to donate with you to church and leave them in front of the Covenant mailboxes. CareNet accepts donations of new baby hygiene products such as diapers, wipes, and baby wash. They also will accept donations of new and gently used maternity clothes, baby clothes (sized newborn to 2T), and other baby items such as strollers, bouncy seats, infant toys (not stuffed animals), and BPA-free bottles. Currently, CareNet's greatest needs are for the larger sizes of diapers (4-5) and baby clothes (2T). Questions? Contact Josh Agen ([jaagen@hotmail.com](mailto:jaagen@hotmail.com); 734-645-4482).

#### **August 14 Save-the-date for our annual church picnic.**

This year our picnic will be combined with Calvary Community Church and will be held at Calhoun Park located at 5400 S. Calhoun Rd.