

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.

If you desire more information, or are interested in becoming a member of Covenant, please contact Pastor Frank at 414.541.3282.

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Welcome to

Covenant

Orthodox Presbyterian Church

*A church with its roots in the past . . .
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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 24 and Philippians 2:5-11*

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,
² for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. ³ Who shall ascend
the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? ⁴ He who has clean hands and
a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.
⁵ He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory
may come in. ⁸ Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD,
mighty in battle! ⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the
King of glory may come in. ¹⁰ Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the
King of glory!

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was
in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied
himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being
found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the
name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in
heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is
Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Worship Songs of Praise to God

#54; I Worship You, Almighty God

(Blue Worship Book)

#68; Blessed Be the Name

(Blue Worship Book)

Hymn #235; All Glory, Laud, and Honor

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 118

We listen to God and speak with Him

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #274; Thine Be the Glory

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

We receive God's blessing and give to bless others

Tithes and Offerings: Special music Mrs. Nancy Jo Baratti singing

"Via Dolorosa" accompanied by Miss. Beth Sanders on the key board.

God's Word Speaks To Us

Scripture Reading: **Luke 19:28-44**

Sermon Title: **When the King of Kings Rides Into Your Life**

We respond in faith

Hymn #549; By the Sea of Crystal

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Benediction **Hymn #733; Doxology**

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Sermon Outline

Scripture: Luke 19:28-44

Title: When Jesus Rides Into Your Life

I. When Jesus rides into your life He claims you as His special treasure and property.
Verses 29-34, 1 Peter 2:10-11

II. When Jesus rides into your life it is because He demonstrated His humility.
Verses 29-34, Zechariah 9:9-15

III. When Jesus rides into your life you worship and glorify Him.
Verses 35-38

IV. Look to Jesus who will return as the glorious King of Kings to establish the new
heaven and new earth.
Revelation 21:1-4 and 22-27, Ephesians 1:3-6, Colossians 3:23 and 1 Corinthians 10:31

Praise And Prayer Requests

Praise God that Jesus Christ is the King Of Kings and Lord of Lord's who entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to die on the cross of Calvary in perfect love to redeem us from our sin and to make us children of the living and true God.

Praise God that Jesus is exalted on His kingly throne in Heaven and will one day soon return to establish a new heaven and new earth in which eternal life and righteousness reigns.

Praise God that through the trials of life the Lord causes us to die to sin and selfishness so that His power and love would explode through our lives to others.

Praise God for the love and encouragement of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Praise God for the ministry of our fellowship committee in coordinating our fellowship meals.

Person of the week to pray for: Stan Cassel

Pray for continued physical healing and spiritual strength for John and Patricia Tremann.

Pray for Glenn Grossbier for wisdom, strength and encouragement in his life. Pray that the Lord will give him strength and wisdom with handling his mother's house.

Pray for Jeff Simos for physical healing with the physical complications he is dealing with and for encouragement and comfort in the Lord.

Pray that we will throw ourselves before Jesus Christ acknowledging Him as our King and living for His glory.

Pray that we will trust the promises of God in the midst of our hardships and that they will deepen our trust that King Jesus has everything under control in our lives for His glory.

Pray for Stan Cassel healing from cataract surgery.

Pray that the Lord would give us additional individuals and families to minister to and that we would be active in sharing Christ's love with others in words and actions.

Pray for the Lord to raise up a missionary doctor to minister in the medical clinic in Karamoja, Uganda. Pray for the Lord to provide a missionary deacon to manage the physical plant, housing and repairs in Karamoja, Uganda.

Pray for the Lord to richly bless the ministry of Pastor Jim and Bonnie Hoekstra in Andover, Minnesota. Pray that the Lord would bring additional families to Immanuel Church and assimilate into the life of the congregation those who have recently come.

Pray that the Lord would enable our children young and older to know Christ more deeply and make decision that honor Him.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 118

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! ² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

³ **Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."** ⁴ **Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever."**

⁵ Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.

⁶ **The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?**

⁷ The LORD is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

⁸ **It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.**

⁹ It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

¹⁰ **All nations surrounded me; in the name of the LORD I cut them off!**

¹¹ They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the LORD I cut them off!

¹² **They surrounded me like bees; they went out like a fire among thorns; in the name of the LORD I cut them off!**

¹³ I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the LORD helped me.

¹⁴ **The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.**

¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD does valiantly, ¹⁶ the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"

¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

¹⁸ **The LORD has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.**

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ **This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

²⁵ Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!

²⁶ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

²⁸ **You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.**

²⁹ **Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!**

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.

Fellowship Meal - Today

All are welcome to stay for lunch following our Worship Service. Enjoy a refreshing salad along with other delicious items.

Community Women's Bible Studies - Thursday, April 13

The afternoon study is at 1:30 pm and the evening study is at 7:00 pm both are held at the home of Sharon Kolff which is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are invited for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

Good Friday - Friday, April 14

Our Good Friday Service will be held at 7:00 pm.

Easter Breakfast - Sunday, April 16

Come Celebrate on Christ's Resurrection Morning Sunday, April 16 for a time of Fellowship and Food With Calvary at Calvary's Easter Breakfast. Breakfast will begin is 8:00 am and there is a signup sheet for bringing a dish to pass on the refreshment table in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship and breakfast as we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ together.

Dear Covenant Church Family,

I wanted to share with all of you that I have accepted a job offer in the Green Bay area and am planning to move there in early May. I am excited about the job and the opportunity to be closer to family, but at the same time I am saddened at the prospect of leaving Covenant and the wonderful fellowship and teaching I have enjoyed here. Being part of Covenant has been a tremendous blessing during my time in Milwaukee, and I thank the Lord and all of you for your friendship as brothers and sisters in Christ. I hope to stay in touch and visit whenever I am in Milwaukee!

Josh A.

Palms are available in the fellowship hall if you wish to take one home.

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Downtown Bible Study - Tuesday, April 18

The downtown Bible Study meets from 7:00-8:00 am at the 600 East Café on Wisconsin Avenue in downtown Milwaukee. All are invited to join us for an enriching and nourishing time of Bible Study led by Pastor Frank.

Men's Bible Study - Tuesday, April 18

Men's Bible Study is at 7:00 pm and held in the Fireside Room. We will be studying and discussing together the book "Man In The Mirror". This a book on growing as a disciple of Christ to become the Christ like men the Lord wants us to be.

Presbytery Youth Conference - April, 21 & 22

Spiritual Stewardship in the New Media Environment is a conference sponsored by the Presbytery Youth Committee and will be hosted by Christ OPC in Janesville. Their speaker, Dr. Joel S. Ward, is an assistant professor in the Communication Department at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA. His research and teaching are primarily directed at understanding how new media shapes culture, communities, and Christians. All youth are invited, together with parents, leaders, pastors, elders or anyone else interested.

The cost is \$25 per person or \$50 per family. There are brochures available on our book table located just outside the sanctuary. If you have any questions please email the youth committee at youth.committee@pmwopc.org or call Ben Snodgrass at 262.309.8266.

Church Property Workday - Saturday, April 29

Church work day Saturday at 9:00 am. A list of work related projects is being worked on by Calvary that we should have soon. All are invited to join in for as long as you have time for to take care of God's property and building.

Informal Lunch and Fellowship - Sunday, April 30

Please plan to join us for lunch, fellowship, Bible discussion, singing and prayer. To be held in the fellowship hall following our Worship Service.

You are Invited to Camp Westminster this summer!

Come for a great time of fellowship with other believers in Orthodox Presbyterian Churches, enjoy the beautiful Green Lake area and deepen your understanding of Biblical Truth. The dates are July 31st to August 3rd. The speaker this year is the Reverend Lendall Smith. He will be speaking on Christ's Parables. For more information or registration: Please take a Camp Westminster brochure on the information/book table right outside the sanctuary or contact Lois Cotta at huintina@hotmail.com

Greeters

Today: Ron Crown
April 14: Nancy Jo Baratti
April 16: Lisa Peterson
April 23: DeLadurantey Family
April 30: Becky Metz

Children's Memory Verse: Psalm 1:4

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.