# Welcome!

Whether you are a long-time member, occasional worshiper, or new visitor with us, we hope that in this service you will encounter the living Christ and be strengthened by God's promises for you. Please visit our website at covenantpresstaunton.org to learn more about our ministries and Covenant life together. We are happy to have you as part of our church family today! May God grant you comfort and peace through these challenging days. Stay safe and be well. Blessings!

The flowers today are given in honor of all fathers but especially Bill Roberson, father/grandfather extraordinaire.

The rose on the communion table is in celebration of the birth of a daughter, Maeve Elaine, to Katie and Joe Bowman. The proud grandparents are Jack and Cindy Bowman.

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# Govenant Presbyterian Church

Striving to be Faithful Disciples of Christ: Worshiping with Joy, Growing in Faith, Serving in Love

JUNE 19, 2022

10:30 AM

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, please silence any mobile devices. This service is live streamed on Facebook.

# STRIVING TO BE FAITHFUL DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION INTROIT

#### WORSHIPING WITH JOY

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 22)

Leader: Praise the Lord and glorify God's name!

**People:** Dominion belongs to the Lord; God rules over all. Leader: Serve the Lord! Proclaim God's deliverance to all

generations!

People: The Lord is our salvation! Praise the Lord!

\*HYMN No. 263.....CORONATION

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

\*INVITATION TO CONFESSION

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we confess that we are flawed people, tainted by sin and in need of your healing grace. Our thoughts, our words, our actions, and our inactions are too seldom faithful and too often selfish and sinful. We make excuses for ourselves, but dare to judge others. We live with too much fear and too little faith. Forgive us. Heal our sin-sick souls, calm our troubled minds, and kindle in us faith to trust you and to follow you more faithfully. Lord, hear our prayer . . . (silent confession) . . . Amen

\*DECLARATION OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE — Hymn No. 288
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

#### **GROWING IN FAITH**

SECOND READING......Pg. 82 of the New Testament, *Pew Bible Luke 8:26-39* 

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON.....JOHN PETERSON

#### "DEALING WITH DEMONS"

#### MUSICAL REFLECTION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — A Brief Statement of Faith
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN No. 792......African American Spiritual

There Is a Balm in Gilead

# **SERVING IN LOVE**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER (..."sins")

FATHER'S DAY OFFERING

DEDICATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

**OFFERTORY** 

PRAYFR

\*HYMN No. 2151 ......African American Spiritual I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE — HYMN No. 295 Alt. (Stanza 4)

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!" Alleluia. Alleluia.

**POSTLUDE** 

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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Following the service, please exit the building and share fellowship outside. Masks are required for everyone inside the building to protect our unvaccinated children and vulnerable adults.

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HYMN No. 263 — All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! HYMN No. 792 — There Is a Balm in Gilead

#### REFRAIN:

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. (Refrain)

Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend, and if you lack for knowledge, he'll not refuse to lend. (Refrain)

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." (Refrain) HYMN No. 2151 — I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, Singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me.

Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me, Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me, Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me, Singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me.

When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, Singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me.