

The  
**Church of the  
Covenant**

Sunday, March 17, 2019  
Second Sunday of Lent

Service of Worship  
for the Lord's Day



## WELCOME

Convinced of God's grace, the Church of the Covenant seeks to be a welcoming spiritual home, live God's inclusive love, express Christ's compassion, and do justice in the world.

The Cragin Peal

The McGaffin Carillon

George Leggiero, *Carillonneur*

Organ Prelude

Mark Edwards, *Organist*

Improvisation - *Prelude on "Tu es Petrus"*

Welcome

The Rev. Melanie Marsh Baum, *Associate Pastor*

\* Celebration of Community

Introit

*Tu es Petrus*

Chancel Choir

Chant

*Tu es Petrus*

You are Peter

*et super hanc petram*

and upon this rock

*aedificabo Ecclesiam meam.*

I will build my church.

\* Call to Worship

Kevin J. Lowry, *Student and Family Ministries*

One: Teach us your way, O Holy One

**All: Give us undivided hearts**

Let us seek your wisdom, O Holy One

**Let us praise you all the day long**

For you O God are abounding in steadfast love and mercy

**And all nations glorify your name**

\* Hymn 306

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

VICAR

\* Call to Confession

Julie Mailey, *Lay Worship Leader*

\* Corporate Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we try to be good; forgive us when our goodness makes us judgmental. We try to be faithful; forgive us when our faithfulness makes us intolerant. We try to be helpful; forgive us when our helpfulness becomes condescending. Take our best efforts, O Lord, and transform them by your grace and goodness. We ask your forgiveness as we silently confess our sins.**

\* Silent Confession of Sin

## GATHER

We gather to worship God on the Lord's Day (Sunday) because the Gospels testify that Jesus rose from the dead early on the first day of the week.

\* Please stand as you are able.

## LAY WORSHIP LEADER

Julie Mailey married Fred right here at the Covenant 34 years ago yesterday. She has worked in many places in the Christian Education program at the Covenant and enjoyed working together with other local congregations to plan a Daughters Arise Retreat. Julie and Fred raised two daughters in the Covenant family, Lauren and Anne. She teaches art at Saint Anselm School near her home in Chesterland.

## MUSIC NOTES

As we continue to simplify our musical selections during Lent, you may notice a change in our sung responses this week. You might consider these responses as reflective extensions of the preceding acts of worship, that help bring us together through singing.

\* Declaration of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news!

If we confess our sin, God is faithful and just,  
forgiving and transforming our lives.

Friends, believe the good news:

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

\* Corporate Response

SO GOOD

*God is so good*



God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, Oh so good to me.

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

Psalms 86:1–11

Anthem

Chancel Choir  
Henry Purcell

*Remember not, Lord, our offences*

Remember not, Lord, our offences,  
nor the offences of our forefathers;  
neither take thou vengeance of our sins,  
but spare us, good Lord, spare thy people,  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood  
and be not angry with us forever. Spare us, good Lord.

Message for All Ages

*Learning from Jesus*

Kevin Lowry

*Children preschool–fifth grade are invited to a time of storytelling, discovery,  
and joyful play in the Creche, now located on the third floor in Beckwith Hall.  
Youth sixth–twelfth grade are invited to stay in the service and participate by  
responding to this week’s Wonder Sheet.*

Sending the Children in Song

Go Now In Peace

*Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround  
you, everywhere, everywhere, you may go. (sung in canon)*

Second Lesson

Luke 10:25–37

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Jesus the Teacher  
*The Way of the Heart*

Melanie Marsh Baum

\* Hymn 405

*What Does the Lord Require*

SHARPTHORNE

Joys and Concerns

Kevin Lowry

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Petition

French composer and organist Maurice Duruflé incorporated Gregorian chant into many of his 14 published compositions. You will first hear the melodic inspiration for our anthem, *Tu es Petrus*, in the unison introtit of the same name. The anthem, Duruflé’s composition from a set of four motets on Gregorian themes, features an expansion of the introtit melody in each voice part. *Tu es Petrus* reiterates that Christ’s church rests on a foundation of faith from all disciples.

Each worship service in Lent will conclude with the choir and organ sending us out into the week. These postludes serve as musical reminders that the Holy Spirit will be with us always.

**ENCOUNTER**

We receive the good news of God’s love, mercy, and justice revealed to us through the Bible.

**RESPOND**

Having heard God’s word proclaimed, we offer music, prayers, and a portion of the financial resources we have received. Scan the QR code below to access online giving. Thank you for your generous response to God’s gracious love!



## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Congregational Amen

*All are invited to sing.*



## Offertory

*Tu es Petrus*

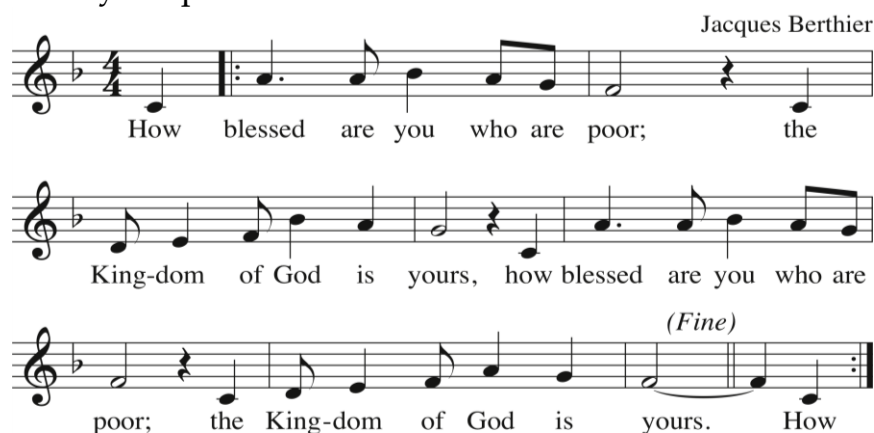
from *Quatre Motets sur des themes grégoriens*, Op. 10  
See Introit for text and translation.

Chancel Choir  
Maurice Duruflé

## \* Offertory Response

*How Blessed Are You*

Taizé Chant



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## \* Prayer of Dedication

## \* Hymn 340

*Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart*

JACOB

## \* Charge & Benediction

## Choral Postlude

*Ah, Holy Jesus*

Chancel Choir  
Johann Crüger

Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,  
That mortal judgement has on You descended?  
By foes derided, by Your own rejected, O most afflicted!  
For me, dear Jesus, was Your incarnation,  
Your mortal sorrow, and Your life's oblation,  
Your death of anguish and your bitter passion, For my salvation.

## Carillon Postlude

*Aberystwyth*

Roy Hamlin Johnson

## SEND

Having been nurtured and nourished through worship, we are sent from this place to glorify God in the service of our daily lives. Please be mindful of those who wish to stay and listen to the postlude.

*Stephen Minister will be in Christ Chapel after worship to talk or pray.*

## TODAY

- 8:00 Music Rehearsals, Sanctuary
- 9:30 Nursery, Beckwith Hall
- 10:00 Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:15 Music and Ministry, Yost Chapel
- 11:00 Coffee & Fellowship, Reception Room
- 11:30 Living the Way, Dowd Commons
- 11:30 Youth Sunday Prep., Beckwith Hall
- 12:30 Science of Spirituality, Sonia Golden Room

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**LIVING THE WAY DISCUSSION, TODAY, 11:30 AM, DOWD COMMONS**

Each Sunday during Lent we will focus on the topic explored that morning in worship. We will take a deeper dive into the story of Jesus and our understanding of the Christian life. Stop for your coffee and come join us.

**WE PRAY FOR** Judy Bourne, Akeya Clark (Marie Jones's niece), Paul Dirksen, Gretchen Drushel, Rob Engel & Lynne Hoffman-Engel, Rolf (Crunch) and Marilyn Krotseng, Greg Madison, Michael Peters, Shirley Roe-Stroup, Emily Carson Williams, and Gabriel (Jenny Conner's grand-nephew). We pray for those struggling with illness, convalescing, or homebound; patients, family, and staff in our surrounding hospitals; and those who have left prayer requests in our Carpenter's Box.

**MEETING JESUS AROUND THE TABLE**

**WEDNESDAYS, 6:00 PM, DOWD COMMONS**

Explore who Jesus was (the pre-Easter Jesus) and who Jesus has become (the post-Easter Jesus). We will be using Marcus Borg's book *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time* and Yasmin Khan's *Zaitoun Recipes and Stories from the Palestinian Kitchen* to guide our journey as we share dinner, discussion, and communion. Marcus Borg's book is available in the office for \$14. **Please RSVP by Tuesday to Kevin at KLowry@CovenantWeb.org so we can get a count for dinner.**

**BIBLE STUDY, TUESDAYS, 11:00 AM, LIBRARY**

Enjoy this small group discussion and get a head start on exploring the scriptures for the coming Sunday. Work, live, or study in the Circle? This is a perfect midday break. All are welcome. Feel free to bring lunch.

**EASTER LILIES IN MEMORY / TO HONOR LOVED ONES DUE APRIL 7**

Each Easter our Sanctuary is transformed by beautiful lilies and flowers. Order forms are available in the office and can be printed from the e-news.

**TIME TO BUILD WITH GREATER CLEVELAND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

**Thursday, April 4 & Saturday, April 6: 9:00 am–3:00 pm**

Join us in our fifth year (!) to help rehab houses. This year we will be the first group to work on two houses in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood on Cleveland's west side. Please sign up in the church office to work or to provide lunch for those working. Talk with Jim Prince to learn more.

**THIS WEEK AT COVENANT:** **Monday:** Weekly Meditation, Interfaith Chapel, 12:15 pm. **Tuesday:** Staff Meeting, Office, 9:45 am; Cache Retail Shop, 10 am; Bible Study, Library, 11 am; Tuesday Noon Concert, 12:05 pm, Sanctuary; Trustees, Library, 6:30 pm. **Wednesday:** 12 Steps to Freedom, Beckwith, 5:30 pm; Ministry of Service, Office, 5:30 pm; Meeting Jesus, Dowd Commons, 6 pm; IPSC, 6:30 pm, Library; Session, Dowd Commons, 7 pm. **Thursday:** Theology on Tap, Jolly Scholar, 5:30 pm; Handbell Rehearsal, Conference Room, 6:30 pm; Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, 7:30 pm; **Friday:** CEIRS Board, Library, 8:30 am; Carillion Concert, 12:15 pm; **Saturday:** Guitar Society, Interfaith Chapel, 9:30 am; Saturday Tutoring, Lower Level, 10 am.

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