

The  
**Church of the  
Covenant**

Sunday, May 19, 2019  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

*Sonata no. 5 in C: II. Largo*

Mark Edwards, Organist

J.S. Bach

Welcome

Kevin J. Lowry, *Student & Family Ministries*

Statement of Opportunity

Bob Ault, *Ministry of Service*

\* Celebration of Community

Introit

Chancel Choir

*Let All the World in Every Corner Sing*

AUGUSTINE

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!  
The heavens are not too high, God's praise may thither fly;  
The earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow.  
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

\* Call to Worship

One: A new heaven. A new earth. A new way of thinking.  
A new way of being.

All: **You are making all things new.**

No more Death. No more mourning. No more crying.  
No more pain.

**You are making all things new.**

Renew our minds to renew the world by living out your  
commandment of love.

**You are making all things new.**

\* Hymn 375

*Lord of All Good*

TOULON

## 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.

## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



Our prayers are with you as you enter the next chapter in your lives.

## FOOD COLLECTION

Today we collect food for our Food Pantry. Please place your food donations in the boxes at the entrances and financial donations in the offering, marked "food." We have changed the collection to the third Sunday so the food collected can be used in the bags distributed the last Wednesday and Friday of the month. The Pantry is also open Thursday afternoons for students, and for emergencies.

\* Call to Confession Rev. Melanie Marsh Baum, Associate Pastor

\* Corporate Prayer of Confession

**God, forgive us. Our trust in you is not always visible to the world. Sometimes we allow threats to unity to enter the church, making it hard to see that we are your community. We act as though we do not need each other. We do not always love one another. We do not know and bear one another's burdens. We fail to build each other up. We do not always give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another. Forgive us, and strengthen us so that we may live in the unity that you grant us.**

\* Silent Confession of Sin

\* Declaration of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news!

By Christ's work, we are reconciled and united with God and with one another. Friends, believe the good news:

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

\* Gloria Patri

HYMN 579

**Glory be to the Father\*\* and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

\*\*or Maker

Prayer for Illumination

Kevin J. Lowry

First Lesson

Psalm 23

Anthem

Chancel Choir  
Ned Rorem

*Christ the Lord is Ris'n Today*

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, sons of men and angels say:  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, sing ye heav'ns, and earth reply!  
Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the vict'ry won:  
Jesus' agony is o'er, darkness veils the earth no more.  
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Christ has open'd paradise.  
Soar we now where Christ hath led, following our exalted Head;  
Made like Him, like Him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.  
Christ the Lord is ris'n today, sons of men and angels say:  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, sing ye heav'ns, and earth reply!

Second Lesson

Acts 9:36-43

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*New Beginnings*

Kevin J. Lowry

MUSIC NOTES

We continue to celebrate Eastertide with a rousing choral call to worship: *Let All the World in Every Corner Sing!* Set to a 16<sup>th</sup> Century text, this declaration of praise has been frequently put to music by composers. Our anthem is the third in a series of hymn anthems by American composer, Ned Rorem. The Chancel Choir performed the first two anthems: *Sing, my soul, His wondrous love* and *All glorious God* earlier this year. It is a fitting setting, albeit characteristic of Rorem's idiomatic choral writing, of this Easter text, proclaiming the risen Lord. The congregation joins the choir for the offertory, as we raise our voices together to sing of our *Beautiful Savior*.

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. Thank you for your generous response to God's gracious love!



\* Hymn 421

*The Church of Christ in Every Age*

WAREHAM

Joys and Concerns

Melanie Marsh Baum

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Petition

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

*Beautiful Savior*

Chancel Choir & Congregation

arr. Michael Burkhardt

Verses 1 & 4, Congregation and Choir (see insert)

Verses 2 & 3, Chancel Choir

\* Festival Doxology (Hymn 455, Verse 6)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**All creatures, your Creator bless, and worship God in humbleness. O sing ye! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\* Prayer of Dedication

Kevin J. Lowry

*Includes receipt of donations to support our Food Pantry.*

\* Hymn 386

*O for a World*

AZMON

\* Charge & Benediction

Melanie Marsh Baum

Organ Postlude

*24 Pièces en style libre: carillon*

Louis Vierne

Carillon Postlude

*Sheep May Safely Graze*

J.S. Bach



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## 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.

*A 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  
*Beckwith Hall*

11:00 Coffee & Fellowship  
*Reception Room*

11:00 Offering of Letters  
*Library*

12:30 Science of Spirituality  
*Sonia Golden Room*

1:00 First Brazilian Church  
*Yost Chapel*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**USHERING TODAY ARE** Chris and Marilyn Langmack and Jim and Nancy Smekal. **GREETING ARE** Beth Holbein, Helen Kunsman, and Shirley Thompson.

### BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS TODAY DURING THE RECEPTION | LIBRARY



Sponsored by the Ministry of Service, following worship today we will have an opportunity to participate in *Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters: Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow*. This year's focus urges our government to accelerate progress toward ending hunger by increasing funding for global child nutrition programs. Sample letters will be available. Thank you to Bob Ault and the Ministry of Service.

### WE KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

Judy Bourne, Akeya Clark (Marie Jones's niece), Barb Clint, Paul Dirksen, Gretchen Drushel (preparing for the Peace Corp), Rob Engel & Lynne Hoffman-Engel, David Keltner, Rolf (Crunch) and Marilyn Krotseng, Greg Madison, Shirley Roe-Stroup, 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; our Interim Pastor Search Committee, and those who have left prayer requests in our Carpenter's Box.

**Our prayers** are with the family of Alice Fehl who died on May, 7 in Farmington Hills, Michigan. Details for her service are pending.

**Este Pozza** will be on vacation May 24 through June 7.

### THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

**Monday:** No scheduled activities. **Tuesday:** Staff Meeting, Office, 9:45 am; Cache Resale Shop, 10 am; Bible Study, Library, 11 am; Tuesday concert, Sanctuary, 12:05 pm; Interim Pastor Search, Library, 6:30 pm; Trustees, off site, 6:30 pm; Covenant University & Community Ministries, Office, 6:30 pm. **Wednesday:** 12 Steps to Freedom, Beckwith, 5:30 pm; Session, Dowd Commons, 6 pm. **Thursday:** Friends of McGaffin Carillon, Herrick Room, 5 pm; **Friday:** Carillon Concert, 12:15 pm; Meme/McNamara Wedding rehearsal, Sanctuary, 4 pm. **Saturday:** Meme/McNamara wedding, Sanctuary, 12 pm.

**Annual Meeting:** The Session has set the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, June 9, following worship.

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CLASS OF 2021: Patty Fowler,  
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### OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY:

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Keith Kallay, Treasurer  
Jim Mate, Secretary

## Beautiful Savior



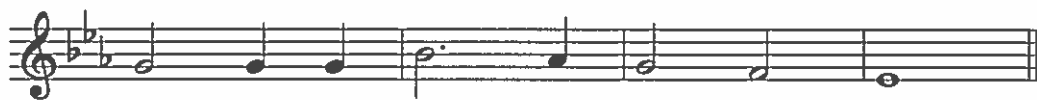
*All:* 1. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
*Choir:* 2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
*Choir:* 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
*All:* 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
*robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;*  
*bright the spark - ling stars on high;*  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
*Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,*  
*Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er*  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
*he makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.*  
*than all the an - gels in the sky.*  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Münsterisch Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. J. A. Seiss, 1823-1904 (PD).  
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# MUSIC AT COVENANT

**TUESDAY NOON CONCERT | May 21 | 12:05 pm**

**RECITAL: MUSIC FOR VOICE AND ORGAN**

**MICHAEL PETERS, VOICE AND ORGAN | ERIC CHARNOFSKY, PIANO**

This final Tuesday Noon concert for this spring season features Covenant's own Associate Music Director, Michael Peters, and Eric Charnofsky. Repertoire includes vocal works by Purcell, Flégier, Strauss, and Hogan. Organ works by Franck, Bolcolm, Hampton, and Marpurg.

The program honors women and mothers significant to vocalist and organist, Dr. Michael B. Peters. Peters studied organ at the University of Michigan with the late Marilyn Mason. A mother figure to many in the organ world, Professor Mason commissioned and premiered Bolcolm's "Sweet Hour of Prayer," which is from a set of Gospel Preludes. Two of Dr. Peters's earliest musical influences were his late mother, who was a vocalist and organist in their local church; and Joan Boytim, his first voice teacher. Join us for an afternoon of musical tributes to these special women.

Free and open to the public. Free parking in the Covenant parking lot

**MCGAFFIN CARILLON FRIDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERT | 12:15–12:45 PM**

Join us each Friday for a lunchtime concert performed by Covenant and University Circle Carillonneur George Leggiero and guests on the 15,000 lb. McGaffin Memorial Carillon of 47 bronze bells. Go to [ucbells.org](http://ucbells.org) for program information. Co-sponsored by Friends of the McGaffin Carillon in University Circle with the support of Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, a picnic, and a friend. Free with free parking in the Covenant lot. A tour of the tower is available following the concert.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT COVENANT

### SUNDAY MORNING RECEPTION DESK COVERAGE

We've had a dedicated group of volunteers serving at the church office reception desk on Sunday mornings. We are grateful for the time and commitment of Renee Boykin, Donna Prease, Mildred Russin, and Jules Tryk! We are looking for new volunteers to cover one Sunday a month from 9:30 am until the reception begins. You will be able to hear the service! Contact Melanie Marsh Baum if you are interested.

### AUDIO SYSTEM VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to help operate our audio systems with guidance from Ken Wendt. You do not need to know anything about audio technology. To learn more, contact Ken at [KWendt@CovenantWeb.org](mailto:KWendt@CovenantWeb.org) or Matthew at [MGarrett@CovenantWeb.org](mailto:MGarrett@CovenantWeb.org).

### CACHE RESALE SHOP

Join a terrific crew on Tuesdays in our Cache Resale Shop. Help prepare the donations for sale or work at the check-out desk. The Cache is open from 10 am until 4 pm. You can select your hours. Contact Marilyn Langmack to learn how to be part of this ministry. The Cache welcomes your gently used clothing, books, jewelry, toys, or small household items. You may bring to the church during office hours or drop off on Sunday mornings. And – don't forget to shop for great bargains!