

The
**Church of the
Covenant**

Sunday, July 21, 2019
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
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.

* *Please stand as you are able*

Prelude

Peter Bennett, piano

Welcome

The Rev. Melanie Marsh Baum, *Associate Pastor*

* Celebration of Community

* Call to Worship

Kevin J. Lowry, *Campus Chaplain*

One: Look around, everyone!

All: This is God's house, and God is here among us!

So get ready! Open your eyes!

God wants to meet us here.

This place where we gather, this time we set apart-

It is sacred. It is holy.

Let us worship God!

* Hymn 343

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

* Call to Confession

Mary Anne Bromelmeier, *Lay Worship Leader*

* Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we try to be good; forgive us when our goodness makes us focus on our needs first and not that of the greater good. We try to be faithful; forgive us when our faithfulness leads us on a narrow path and our ears are not open to hear all. 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.

OUR LAY WORSHIP

LEADER is Mary Anne Bromelmeier.

Mary Anne is a life-long participant at Covenant. She has served on Deacons, Session, Nominating Committee, the APNC that called Jonyrma and the PNC that called Amy. Currently she is on the IPSC seeking an Interim. Mary Anne is an Ambassador at the Saturday Morning Tutoring Program. She is married to Fritz Haiss with three twenty-something children. Monday-Friday she manages an application development team at Medical Mutual and enjoys running and swimming when not at home or at church.

MUSIC NOTES

We welcome Dr. Peter Bennett as our organist this week. He teaches in the Musicology and Historical Performance Practice programs at CWRU. A scholar of early-modern France – focusing in particular on the intersection of music,

Declaration of Forgiveness

One: Lord we are all sinners. Help us to recognize our imperfections and share kindness with others. Let us walk with Christ on a new path. Friends, believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

* Gloria Patri

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

First Lesson

Genesis 28:10-19

Story Sharing

Mary Anne Bromelmeier

Anthem

Midori Marsh, soloist

Quia Respexit from *Magnificat*, BWV 243

J.S. Bach

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae.

For He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent

Behold, from henceforth, I will be called blessed

Sermon

Sacred Ground

Melanie Marsh Baum

* Hymn 461

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Melanie Marsh Baum

Deacons to be ordained and installed:

Jennifer DoVale

Deacons previously ordained to be installed:

Susan Klein, Kate Williams

Elders previously ordained to be installed:

Clint Fowler

religion, and politics in Louis XIII's Paris – Dr. Bennett has also long been active as a harpsichordist and organist, in Europe (where he studied) and the USA.

Our soloist, Midori Marsh, is a Canadian-American soprano from Cleveland, Ohio. She received her BMUS in Honours Voice Performance from Wilfrid Laurier University in 2017, and her opera diploma in 2018, studying with mezzo soprano Kimberly Barber. Recent opera roles include Rose Murrant in *Street Scene* and Arminda in *La Finta Giardiniera*, both with U of T Opera, where she is currently attending graduate school to receive her MMus degree in opera, studying with Wendy Nielsen. She just returned from the Opera in the 21st Century Program at the BANFF Centre for Arts and Creativity where she sang in two new operas; *No One's Safe* and *Silent Light*. She has been a member of the Church of the Covenant since 2010.

TODAY

8:00 Music Rehearsals

Sanctuary

9:30 Nursery, *Beckwith Hall*

10:00 Worship,

Dowd Commons

10:15 Music and Ministry

Beckwith Hall

11:00 Punch & Fellowship

Activity Room

12:00–3:00 Officer's Training

Dowd Commons

12:30 Science of Spirituality

Sonia Golden Room

1:30 First Brazilian Church

Yost Chapel

Litany for Ordination and Installation

One: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Ordination and Installation Questions

Questions to the Congregation

Mary Anne Bromelmeier

Do we, the members of the church, accept these brothers and sisters in the faith as elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? If so, please respond, **"We do."**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the church? If so, please respond, **"We do."**

Prayer

Charge

Joys and Concerns

Kevin J. Lowry

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.



ENCOUNTER

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

SEND

Having been nurtured and nourished through worship, we are sent from this place to glorify God in the service of our daily lives.

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Ken Wendt, DMA
Audio Visual Services Mgr.
George Leggiero,
Carillonneur

Offertory Midori Marsh, soloist
Nun beut dei Flur das frische Grün from Creation Joseph Haydn
Nun beut die Flur das frische Grün dem Auge zur Ergötzung dar;
 With verdure clad the fields appear delightful to the ravished sense;
den anmutsvollen Blick erhöht der Blumen sanfter Schmuck.
 by flowers sweet and gay enhanced is the charming sight.
Hier duften Kräuter Balsam aus; hier sprosst den Wunden Heil.
 Here vent their fumes the fragrant herbs; here shoots the healing plant.
Die Zweige krümmt der gold'nen Früchte Last;
 By load of fruits the expanded boughs are pressed;
hier wölbt der Hain zum kühlen Schirme sich;
 to shady vaults are ben the tufty groves;
den steilen Berg bekrönt ein dichter Wald.
 the mountain's brow is crowned with closed wood.

* Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all
 creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn 421 *The Church of Christ in Every Age* WAREHAM

* Charge and Benediction

Postlude Peter Bennett, piano

Carillon Concert *A Little Summer Patriotism* David Osborn

*During July and August, the Friday Lunchtime Carillon Concert
 will be repeated on Sunday morning rain or shine at 11:00 am. Look for programs
 at the refreshments table. The tower will be open to visitors. These concerts are
 presented by the Friends of the McGaffin Carillon through a grant from
 Cuyahoga Arts and Culture.*

*Thank you for being 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.*

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