

The  
**Church of the  
Covenant**

Sunday, July 28, 2019  
Seventh 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*

The Cragin Peal

The McGaffin Carillon

George Leggiero, *Carillonneur*

Prelude

*Prelude and Fugue in E-flat, BWV 852*

Jonathan Moyer, piano

Johann Sebastian Bach

Welcome

Kevin J. Lowry, *Campus Chaplain*

Statement of Opportunity

Martha Goble, *Trustees*

\* Celebration of Community

\* Call to Worship

Rev. Melanie Marsh Baum, Associate Pastor

One: Holy God, you have called us time and time again to serve you and only you.

**All: There have been many times we fallen short of living into our promises to you.**

In those times you have not abandon us.

**Holy One, we covenant with you to serve you in sincerity and faithfulness.**

You have given us land we have not worked; towns we have not built; and fruit we have not planted.

**In this house we will revere and serve God.**

**Together, let us worship God!**

\* Hymn 150

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

MADRID

\* Call to Confession

Ed Laylin, *Lay Worship Leader*

## 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 Ed Laylin.

Cherie and I came to the Church of the Covenant with our four-year-old Ray to renew our relationship with God and to give Ray an opportunity for Fellowship in this church.

We have raised three children here and have been of assistance where and when we could. I have participated in a half-dozen interstate mission trips and a handful of overnight stays I've been worship leader for many years and I'm still part of the healing Circle Reiki group along with serving as a Stephen Minister. I am most grateful for the time I have spent with the leadership and the congregation here.

\* Corporate Prayer of Confession

**Eternal gracious and holy God, we come before you as your children and your creation. Perfectly formed; perfect human. We come boldly, directly to your table as you have commanded. We ask that you forgive our lack of faith in the gifts that you have given us. We are human only for a short span and have much to learn and such a short time. Lord, forgive us that our eyes do not see and our ears do not hear. Console us though our words are not your words. Heal us of the wounds that have been caused through our actions and inactions. We come to you seeking your forgiveness as we silently confess our sins.**

\* Silent Confession of Sin

Declaration of Forgiveness

One: Friends, hear the Good news! Through grace and mercy God forgives us of our debits and with assurance of God's grace we too can forgive others.

**All: Friends, believe the Good News!**

\* 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

Joshua 24:1-13

Story Sharing

Ed Laylin

Sending Into The World

Kevin Lowry and Ann Williams

*As a community we offer our blessings to the Marsh Baum children – Violet, Lena, and James – that God may keep them as they set out upon new adventures in new places.*

One: Violet, Lena and James, You are the salt of the Earth

All: **May God sprinkle you across our world, to bring flavor of God's Kingdom wherever you go.**

You are the light of the world.

**May God uncover the radiance that is within you, to shine the truth of your love where you go.**

Let your light shine before others

**MUSIC NOTES**

Our soloist Kiko Weinroth grew up in Japan being fascinated by the beautiful sounds and flows of English. Her dream of wanting to experience American culture led her to come to Ohio, where she earned her B.A. in Applied Voice and Piano from Ashland University and M.A. in Vocal Pedagogy at the Ohio State University. She feels honored to be a part of the Covenant Choir. She teaches voice at a studio in Twinsburg and maintains an active singing schedule with Cleveland area ensembles including The Cleveland Chamber Choir and Contrapunctus Early Music. Her latest engagement with the Cleveland Chamber Chorus includes Cenk Ergün's world premiere of "Formare", which was inspired by the architecture and acoustics of the Cleveland Museum of Art's atrium.

**TODAY**

8:00 Music Rehearsals  
*Sanctuary*

9:30 Nursery, *Beckwith Hall*

10:00 Worship,  
*Dowd Common  
Congregational Meeting*

10:15 Music and Ministry  
*Beckwith Hall*

11:00 Punch & Fellowship  
*Activity Room*

1:30 First Brazilian Church  
*Yost Chapel*

**May everyone you meet see the image of God before them, to bring them the vision of compassion, hope, and justice that is alive within each of you, wherever you go. Children of God, we send you from this place surrounded by the love of God, Wherever you may go. Go now in peace, may the love of God surround you, wherever you may go! Amen.**

Anthem

*At the River*

Kiko Weinroth, soloist

arr. Aaron Copland

Shall we gather by the river, Where bright angels feet have trod,  
With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God.

Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace.

Yes we'll gather by the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the throne of God.

Second Lesson

Joshua 24:14-18

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Covenant*

Kevin J. Lowry

\* Hymn 323

*Standing on the Promises*

PROMISES

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.*



## 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!

## 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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Jonathan Moyer, DMA

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Michael Peters, PhD,

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Kaori Hongo, DMA

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Ken Wendt, DMA

Audio Visual Services Mgr.

George Leggiero,

Carillonneur

Offertory

Jesus bleibet meine Freude  
from Cantata BWV 147

Kiko Weinroth, soloist  
Johann Sebastian Bach

Jesus bleibet meine Freude, Meines Herzens Trost und Saft,  
Jesus remains my joy, the comfort and life's blood of my heart,  
Jesus wehret allem Leide, Er ist meines Lebens Kraft,  
Jesus defends me against all sorrows, he is my life's strength,  
Meiner Augen Lust und Sonne, Meiner Seele Schatz und Wonne;  
The delight and sun of my eyes my soul's treasure and joy;  
Darum lass ich Jesum nicht Aus dem Herzen und Gesicht.  
Therefore I shall not let Jesus go from my heart and sight.

\* 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 100

My Soul Cries Out

CANTICLE OF THE TURNING

Litany of Dissolution and Farewell

Presbytery

\* Charge and Blessing

Congregational Meeting

Rev. June Begany, Moderator  
Laurie Moormann, C.O.M. Liaison

\* Congregational Sending

Shalom Chaverim

SHALOM



Sha - lom, cha - ve-rim! Sha - lom, cha - ve-rot! Sha - lom, sha - lom!  
Fare - well, good friends, Fare - well, good friends, Sha - lom, sha - lom!



Le - hit - ra - ot, le - hit - ra - ot, Sha - lom, sha - lom.  
Till we meet a - gain, till we meet a - gain, Sha - lom, sha - lom.

Carillon Concert, 11:00 am.

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.

SESSION

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