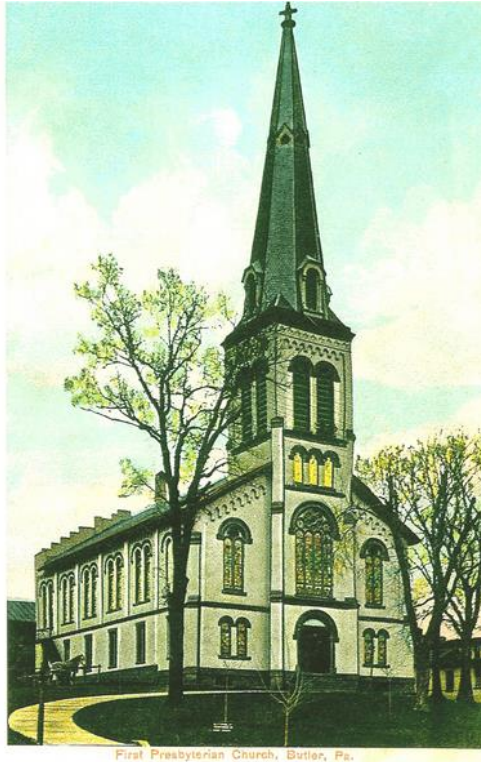


# Covenant Presbyterian Church

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**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 26, 2022**

Pastor: Rev. John C. R. Silbert

Leader: Elder Ann Morrison

Accompanist: Kathy Kemerer

YouTube Producer: Brian F Graff, C.P.

## ~ Order of Service ~

\*\* = Please stand, as able

### The Gathering

PRELUDE *Prelude on Nettleton ~ Stearns*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAMATION

\*\* PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*\*HYMN 611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

INVITATION TO CONFESSION & CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION †

**Here we are, God, walking alongside your prophets, holding on to their coat tails, trying to keep them from going where you call them to go.**

**Some of us are standing at a distance, not daring to go the extra mile, afraid of what is coming, uncertain about what it means.**

**Our words say we want to follow where you lead, but our actions say something different. Do we have the clarity to ask for what we need? Do we have the courage to pick up the mantle?**

**Lord, forgive our hesitancy to follow your lead as you lead your people. Forgive our insecurities. Empower us, we pray, by your Holy Spirit, and lead us ever forward into life-giving ministry in your name.**

A TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: God has promised that when we confess our sin, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sin, removing it as far as the east is from the west, and remembering it no more. Friends, let us affirm the good news of the gospel:

All: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\*\*RESPONSE 581 *Glory Be to the Father* 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, amen.**

\*\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: A harvest of righteousness is sewn in peace for those who make peace. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

## The Word

\*\*ILLUMINATION 286 V. 4 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM  
**Breathe on me, Breath of God, so I shall never die,  
but love with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.**

OT LESSON 2 Kings 2: 1 – 2, 6 - 14 *Pew Bible P. 290*  
Leader: This, is the Word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 77 HYMN 781 *Hear My Cry, O God, and Save Me!* GENEVAN 77

NT LESSON Galatians 5: 1, 13 – 25 *Pew Bible P.948*  
Leader: Here ends the reading of the Epistle.  
People: **Praise be to You, O Lord!**

\*\*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9: 51 – 62 *Pew Bible P.843*  
Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord.  
People: **Glory to You, O Christ!**

CANTICLE 288 *Spirit of the Living God* LIVING GOD  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (x2)  
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

THE SERMON *"Fish or Cut Bait!"* PASTOR JOHN

SERMON RESPONSE 583 *Glory to God* GLORIA (Taizé)  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

\*\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *a brief creed from the Uniting Churches of Australia*  
**We believe in God who created us,  
who loves us and makes us whole.**  
**We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son,  
whose death and resurrection  
is our salvation  
and our example.**  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit of God  
who calls us to abundant life. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER with 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. Amen.**

## The Eucharist

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, & GIFTS

\*\*DOXOLOGY 607 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH (alt.)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;***

***Praise Christ, all creatures here below;***

***Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. A-men.***

\*\*THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Loving God, thank you that you are the light of the world, guiding our steps on your path. Your word says that the earth is yours, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to you. We recognize everything we have belongs to you. We acknowledge that our very lives belong to you. We now offer back to you a portion of what you have given us. May God the Father prepare our journey, Jesus the Son guide our footsteps and the Holy Spirit watch over us, on every path that we follow. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

## The Sending

MISSION MINUTE UPDATE

*Cathy Chang*

AUDREY CARLSON

\*\*HYMN 726

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

KELVINGROVE

\*\*THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune ~ Powell*

✠ The Confession and Assurance are adapted from Julie Gvillo for this Sunday at *A Space for Grace*. The prayer of Dedication is by

**Offerings, Tithes, & Gifts: Mail to 230 E. Jefferson St.; Online at [www.covenantbutler.org](http://www.covenantbutler.org); Mobile via Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement App**

**Fellowship Hour: No regular Fellowship today. Please visit our Cookout Fundraiser from 12 – 2 PM.**

**Lighthouse Item of the Month: JULY: Jars of Jelly**

**Celebration: (Today) June 26 Gina Loebell's Birthday**

**Joint Services:**

July 3 St. Andrews @ Covenant 11:00 AM Message: Pastor Merry Hope Meloy

July 10 Covenant @ St. Andrews 10:30 AM Message: Pastor John C. R. Silbert

**Prayer Circle: Sunday's at 10:45 AM in the Assembly Room.**

**Prayer Concerns: If you have a prayer request, please contact the Prayer**

**Cordon: Virginia Lokovich 724-287-3920, Jane Hall 724-287-5410, Pastor John 412-779-6148, the church office 724-287-7731 or**

**[covenantprayers@zoominternet.net](mailto:covenantprayers@zoominternet.net).**

**Dr. Ellen Dodge**, a friend of Leanne Heaton, continuing recuperation & physical therapy at home.

**Aria**, young 4-year-old with cancer has been moved from palliative care and is awaiting further tests.

**Frank**, Gina Loebell's Brother-in-law, with esophageal concerns.

**Virginia Lokovich family members & grandson Nathan**, for continued prayers in various situations and concerns & thankfulness that Nathan has found a residence that can meet his physical needs.

**Isabella**, college-aged daughter of **Maria**, a friend of Dave Loebell, anticipating intestinal surgery.

**The family of Bob Specht**, especially wife, **Beverly**, known to Lynn Deluga, grieving Bob's sudden death from a recent accidental fall.

**Josie**, the young ski-accident victim, great joy that according to her doctors, she should make a full and complete recovery!

**Leanne Heaton**, continuing dialysis treatments.

**Rev. Dr. Robert Taylor**, a former pastor of Covenant, doing well in recovery despite a recent stroke.

**Rev. Don Ludwig**, Audrey Carlson's son-in-law, and **37 congregants** from his church in Portland, Oregon, traveling to Puerto Rico for a mission trip.

**Sir Lars Morrison**, for wisdom and discernment.

**Alene Campbell**, Ione Mathias's mother, healing well after successful minor hand surgery.

**Jacquelyn**, known to Elaine Nucci, still grieving the death of her husband.

**David and Rosemary Quadrini**, Elaine Nucci's Aunt and Uncle in Dallas, TX, with health concerns.

**Carl and Katherine**, known to the Morrisons, that their child will be safely delivered.

**Mckenna**, 18-year old neighbor of Connie Swartzfeger, hospitalized with health complications.

**Pam Patterson**, ongoing rehabilitation in Concordia at Cabot.

**The People of Ukraine** in this time of uncertainty and **All called to duty**, there, suffering casualties, while serving in harm's way.

**Joy for the good Town Hall meeting** recently, and **continued prayers for the Holy Spirit's discernment, direction, and guidance for Covenant**, as we contemplate the congregation's mission and ministry into the future.

## Music Dept. Cookout Fundraiser

Today June 26 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Rain or Shine!

**\$8 per person all ages (extra meat \$3)**

**Choice of 1/3 Lb. Angus Burger - or- 2 Hot Dogs**

**Plus Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Chips, Cookie, Drink**

**Help Support Our Music & Worship Arts**

## Galatians 5: 22 - 23

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### Word List

FAITHFULNESS GENTLENESS GENEROSITY GALATIANS PATIENCE KINDNESS  
CONTRAST CONTROL AGAINST THINGS SPIRIT THERE PEACE FRUIT SUCH  
SELF NRSV LOVE LAW JOY AND OF BY

*(Galatians 5:22-23) By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, (23) gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. (NRSV)*