



Loving God, loving people, making disciples



...lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called...
(Ephesians 4:1)

October 27, 2024
Steel Drum Sunday

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Gathering

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

*Chiming of the Hour and Presentation of the Word

Prelude "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"
Shores
Spiritual Steel

Welcome and Covenant Life Rev. Rachel Vogado
*During our morning announcements,
please take time to pass and sign the friendship pads.*

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Introit "Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land"
Burleigh
Rebecca Wallenborn, piano; Spiritual Steel; Sanctuary Choir

*Call to Worship

One: To the God of all creation,
All: the Redeemer of all the earth,
One: and the Giver of all that is and is to be,
**All: let us sing our praise
and make a joyful noise to the Lord!**

***Hymn of Praise, #611** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Litany of Confession and Forgiveness

One: Lord, you call us to admit our sin,
All: and we answer, praying:
One: Forgive us for what we have done
All: and for what we have left undone
One: contrary to the way we should be,
All: and the way we should behave according to Christ.
One: In your mercy, teach us:
All: to count our blessings, to share our gifts,
One: to seek your will, and to do your justice,
**All: trusting now, as always, in your forgiving love.
Amen.**

Song of Hope, #48 (2x) "Rain Down"
Children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Time with Our Children Jewel Aagaard
Director of Faith Formation

***Passing of the Peace** (*Greet one another, "Peace be with you."*)
*Children ages 3 – 11 may leave for Children's Worship
and will return during the last hymn.*

***Song of Promise, #48 (1x)** "Rain Down"

Teaching

Prayer for Illumination

Sharon Nanz

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6 (Pew Bible, NT p. 171)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

"Calling"

Dr. Kyle Allen

Covenant Presbyterian Staff

Pranav Singh

Anthem

"Shut De Do"

Fettke

Rebecca Wallenborn, piano; Spiritual Steel; Sanctuary Choir

Nurturing

Blessed to Be a Blessing

Matt Miller

Offertory

"The Lord's Prayer"

Kenneth

Spiritual Steel

***Doxology, #697** (verses 1, 6)

"Take My Life"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

(Hymnal p. 35)

Reaching

***Charge and Benediction**

***Hymn of Unity, #767** (verses 1, 4)

"Together We Serve"

Postlude

"Siyahamba/I'll Fly Away"

Shores

Spiritual Steel

Music Notes from Richard Rudolph: Today's worship uses the voice of steel drums from Trinidad and Tobago, which were developed by descendants of African slaves brought to the island to work sugar plantations. We are celebrating the music of African creativity in songs of hope sung by those slaves in America, confident in the strength to endure, as promised by the great spiritual "Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land." We are also instructed in the beauty of another creative song from believers on the island who found salvation; it gives us guidance to this day of keeping faith strong as directed – "Shut de Do" ... keep out the devil! Enjoy the music, this great gift from our fellow believers, and draw encouragement.



Welcome! We are blessed to have you join our worship today, and we hope to keep seeing you! More information about Covenant is available on our website at covenantroanoke.org. You can also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter. We would love to get to know you better, and a card is available in the pew before you to begin this journey together.

Greetings, Parents! Children are always welcome in our worship services. If you so choose, a professionally staffed nursery is available for children ages 3 and younger. Please ask an usher for assistance. **We also have a Parents Room** just outside the Sanctuary, with a changing table and rocking chairs.

Children's bulletins and activity bags are available on the table in Heritage Hall. **We offer Children's Worship** during the second half of the service for children ages 4 to 11.

Thank you to Richard Rudolph and Spiritual Steel for leading us in musical worship this morning.

We are pleased to welcome to our worship Rebecca Wallenborn as guest pianist today.

Join us for Mingle and Munch! After worship, all are welcome to gather in Heritage Hall (the entrance area) to visit with church members and guests while enjoying light refreshments. Thank you to Rhea Haner and Terri Slate for hosting this morning!

We extend our sympathy and prayers to June House and family on the passing of her beloved mother, Lovella Howard, on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, in Salyersville, Kentucky. A service was held yesterday in Salyersville.

The flowers in the chancel today are given by Joyce Woods to the glory of God and in honor of the Spiritual Steel band and pianist Rebecca Wallenborn.

Elder of the Month: Lisa Farthing

Deacon of the Month: Teri Ponton

Assistant Deacon of the Month: Jinx Weary



In Our Prayers ...

Church Members: Christine Beck, Tricia Cronise, Mary Jane Fisher, Dick Frahm, Lynnmarie Hancock, Jerry Lawson, Mike Miller, Lindsey Nanz, Ann Cecil Renick, Carol Ryan, June and Forrest Smith, Jo Wilson, caregivers, military service members and families

Family & Friends: Greg Adcox, Rob Ahlers, Audrey Bashlor, Lowell Bashlor, Jr., Kenneth Benner, Andrew Craig, Jackie Rose, Mike Cummings, Patrick Dooley, Maria Dreiling, Cesia Enriquez, Heather Ford, Jim Haugen, Jo Jones, Pauline Mudrick, Kathy Roberts, Bob & Betty Sizemore, Ezra Schuyler Soto, Joe Wallace, Daniel Woodbury, Religious violence against Christians in northeast India, Mission co-workers Tyler & Rochelle Holm and the people of Malawi, Jim McGill (Niger)

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