# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



#### 10:00 AM



**APRIL 16, 2023** 

Davidica

Scott Scioli

PRELUDE

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our God Reigns

Leonard E. Smith, Jr.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 111

Leader: Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

#### <u>People</u>: Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them. <u>Leader</u>: Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

<u>People</u>: He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

Leader: He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. People: He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations.

Leader: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy. People: They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. Leader: He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever— holy and awesome is his name.

<u>People</u>: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

HYMN

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

#239

#### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### SCRIPTURE

Luke 15:11-32

Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired

servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!" " 'My son," the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found."

CHORAL ANTHEM	Song of Praise	R. A. Nichols
SERMON	"The Other Brother"	Rev. Jeff Marthins
HYMN	In the Garden	#242

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### **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.* 

HYMN	Alleluia, Sing to Jesus	#263		
CHORAL BENEDICTION	Christ is Risen	Lloyd Larson		
POSTLUDE	The Rejoicing	G. F. Handel		
MINISTERS: Betty Herskovitz and Joan Samph (Ushers), Pat Rothenhofer (Refreshments)				
THE CHANCEL FLOWERS presented to the Glory of God by Dave and B. Ann DuBois in gratitude as they celebrate their 66 <sup>th</sup> anniversary.				

WE WELCOME: Jeff Marthins has been involved with the Saints Prison Ministry since 1990. After playing and traveling with the teams for 25 years, Jeff has moving into a different role as President of Board of Trustees. Jeff has served in his local church as treasurer, Sunday School teacher, and many other ministries.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **1. PIANO BENEFIT CONCERT**

Join Music Directors Greg DiBona and Diana Dohrmann for a piano concert! Piano duets and solos will be presented from composers, John Williams, Scott Joplin, Leonard Bernstein, Claude Debussy and many more. The concert will be on Sunday, April 30 at 3PM located at Calvary Presbyterian Church. All proceeds will assist Music Departments at both Covenant and Calvary.

**2. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Bible study is located in the Lounge on Mondays at 11 AM. The group will be studying the book of Luke. We hope to see you there!

**3. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED!** Members are invited to participate in our services. Please contact Bonnie Cain or Greg DiBona if you are interested in reading scripture or leading our worship services. We are also in need of more volunteers to operate the camera and soundboard. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

**4. STEWARDSHIP:** Total Income for 4/9: \$7950.00, Envelope Giving: \$2255.00, Deacons Fund: \$60.00. Capital Improvement Fund: \$10.00, One Great Hour: \$246.00.

#### **MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES**

Women's Bible Study – Mondays, 11:00 AM, Lounge Choir Rehearsal – Sundays, 11:00 AM Bell Rehearsal – Mondays, 7:00 PM Christian Education (Bonnie Cain and Amanda Rosica) – as needed Deacons – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 PM Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:00 PM Men's Breakfast -Tuesdays, 7:00 AM Membership (Nancy Perritt) – as needed Mission (Dave Sutton) – as needed Music and Worship (Leslie Todd) – Sunday, April 16, after worship Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson Session – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:30 PM



Gregory DiBona and Diana Dohrmann Four Hands Piano Benefit Concert:

PIANO CONCERT\*

## Sunday, April 30, 2023

3:00 PM

Music of Mozart, Bernstein, Debussy, Joplin, and John Williams. All proceeds will assist in funding Covenant and Calvary's Music Department.

Calvary Presbyterian Church 300 Fourth Street Riverton, NJ 08077

## PRAYER LIST

Thankful prayers for all who participated and contributed to our Easter service last week. It was wonderful to have many members of our Covenant family gathered together.

Prayers for all who are ill and for the caregivers who tend to the sick. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.



Please pray for our Covenant families and friends:



Betty Graham - prayers for healing and recovery of strength in rehab following hospital stay due to pneumonia

Bohdonna - Mandy's friend newly diagnosed with breast cancer

Rose - Molly's friend dealing with breast cancer

Mary Lou Newborg - relief from discomfort and healing following surgery on her back in May Cynthia Joffe - healing of her knee following replacement last week and return of strength

Emily Busby - good care in nursing facility

Etna Kessler - good care in memory care facility

Dave and B.Ann DuBois - various health concerns

Peggie Massey - keeping well and active in her Texas home

Marilyn and Eugene Davidoff - keeping Marilyn safe if she is still taking walks and return to better health for Eugene

Karen Schwartz - good results from cataract procedure and prayers for her neighbor's grandson, Colin

Our cancer patients:

Joyful prayers to see Steve Peak on Easter Sunday

Terri Bell - very good and comfortable care for a long-time cancer patient

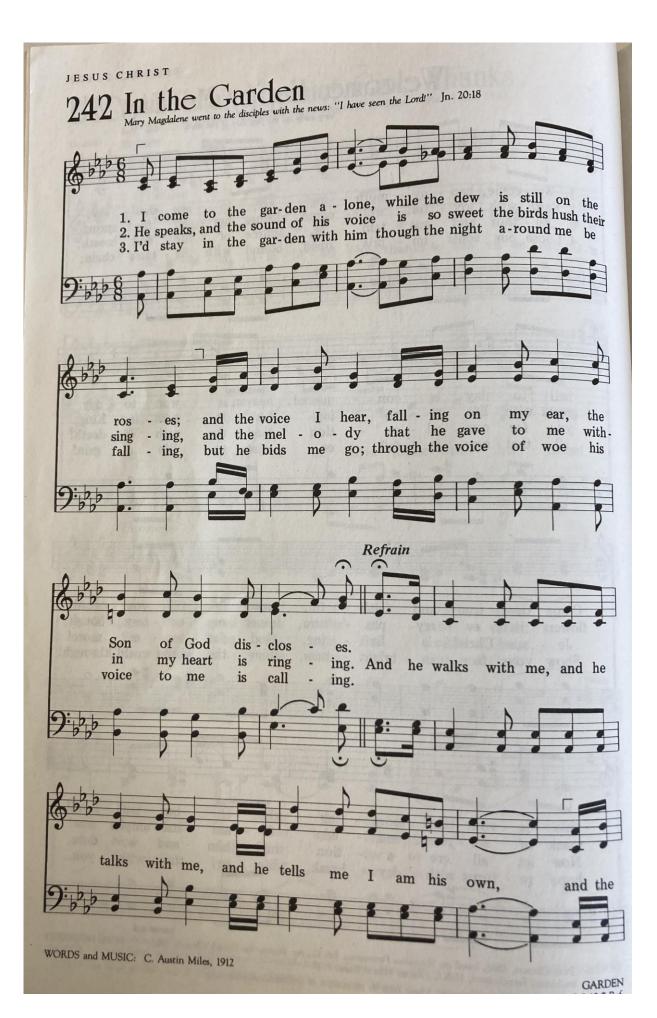
Dawn Mozzi - good care

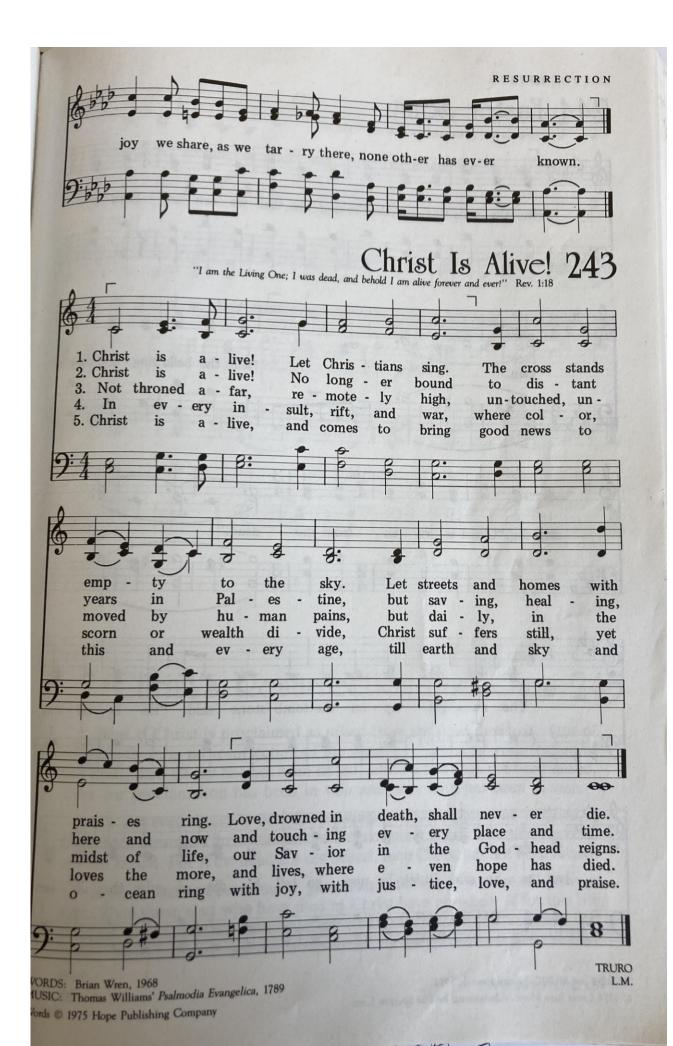
Joan's friend, Mary - good treatment

Mary Lou's friends - Christopher, Sherry, Marcelle, Pat and Ave - good care as they receive treatment

Pastor Kiner - very good care and support from his congregation and strength for his wife

RESURRECTION is worth the liv-ing and life just be-cause he lives. -I Know That My Redeemer Lives 239 I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. Job 19:25 0 • 1. I know that my Re deem - er lives! What joy this tri - um - phant lives 2. He from the he lives еgrave; bless lives 3. He lives to me with love; he to his lives, my kind, lives and 4. He wise, heav - enly friend; he lives, my glo -He lives, all to his name! 5. He ry lives, he lives, who He gives! rance sur lives ex - alt ed, blest as he save; to lives my hun ly gry nal ter he bove; he lives, and while a he me for plead end; the to what joy this blest as me loves same; the still ior, Sav -OU Head! er - liv - ing love. ev lives, my his church in he rule dead; need. of lives to in time was once he help et, Priest, and King! bove; lives to throned a he Proph Re-deem - er lives! feed; lives, my soul to he know that my sing; I'll lives, I gives: sur ance DUKE STREET L.M. WORDS: Samuel Medley, 1775, alt. MUSIC: John Hatton, 1793





JESUS CHRIST Alleluia, Sing to Jesus 263"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!" Rev. 19:6.7 1. Al - le - lu - ia, sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter. the throne: his 2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now; earth our , ia! heav-enly High Priest, here on help, our stay; 3. Al - le - lu -Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor a - lone. ques-tions how. Al - le - lu - , ia! hear the sin - ful cry from day to day. to you Hark! the songs of peace-ful Zi - on thun-der like a might-y flood. Though the cloud from sight re-ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, In - ter-ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, earth's Re-deem-er, hear our plea, Je - sus, out of ev shall our hearts for-get ery na - tion, has where the songs his prom - ise, "I re - deemed us by his blood. of all the sin am with you ev-er-more"? less sweep a - cross 0 the crys-tal sea. WORDS: William C. Dix, 1866, alt. MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard, c. 1830; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 Ausic used by permission of Oxford University Press HYFRYDOL e7.D.