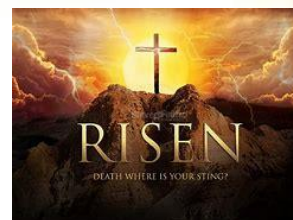
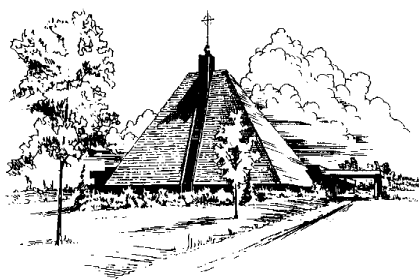


COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY



7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 AM

May 21, 2023

PRELUDE

BELLS

Our God

Canon of Grace

Just As I Am

Elisa Muzzillo - Flute

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Ron Mallory
arr. Linda R. Lamb
setting by Sandra Eithun

Michael Helman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott Scioli

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 21:1-7

Leader: The king rejoices in your strength, LORD. How great is his joy in the victories you give!

People: You have granted him his heart's desire and have not withheld the request of his lips.

Leader: You came to greet him with rich blessings and placed a crown of pure gold on his head.

People: He asked you for life, and you gave it to him— length of days, for ever and ever.

Leader: Through the victories you gave, his glory is great; you have bestowed on him splendor and majesty.

People: Surely you have granted him unending blessings and made him glad with the joy of your presence.

Leader: For the king trusts in the LORD; through the unfailing love of the Most High he will not be shaken.

HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" "Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek. The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, "What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him." News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Waters of Grace
Elisa Muzillo - Flute

Sandra Eithun

SERMON

"When the Devil Goes to Church"

Frank Zeidler

HYMN

The Old Rugged Cross

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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

Standing on the Promises

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CHORAL BENEDICTION

Christ is Risen

Lloyd Larson

POSTLUDE

Siciliana and Giga
Elisa Muzzillo - Flute

G. F. Handel

MINISTERS: Joy Connolly and Jim Bender (Ushers), Bonnie Cain (Refreshments), Christy Jeffries (Flower Delivery)

WE THANK: Frank Zeidler for leading us in worship.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. ATTENTION PHILLIES FANS

Join us for an afternoon at the Phillies Game for Covenant members, friends, and family! Join the fellowship team for a fun afternoon at the ball park as the Phillies take on the Kansas City Royals on August 6th at 1:35PM. Please sign up on the bulletin board to express interest ASAP. Tickets will be \$35 or less and money will be due by June 18th. Please direct any questions to Mandy Rosica.

2. THANK YOU

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, flowers and phone calls. I am so blessed to have my Covenant Family cheering me on as I slowly recover from my back surgery. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Love, Mary Lou Newborg

3. BRUNCH

Covenant will hold brunch following the worship service on Sunday May 21. Please place your name on the signup sheet in the narthex.

4. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY SUMMER BREAK: The Women's Bible Study is on summer break until the Fall. Please check the announcements for the September start date.

5. 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.

6. STEWARDSHIP: Total Income for 5/14: \$5734.00, Envelope Giving: \$1184.00, Deacons Fund: \$75.00.

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 – 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) – 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM

Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2nd 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) – 2nd Wednesday, 1:15 PM

Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson

Session – 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM





PRAYER LIST

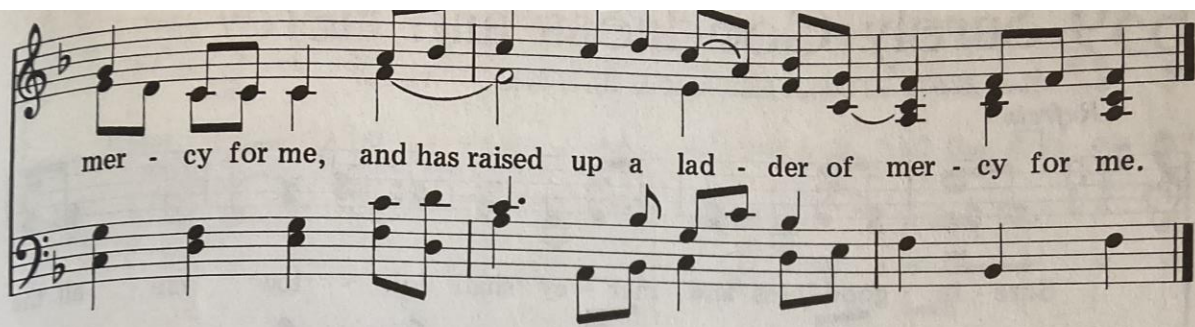


Thank you again to Rev. Kajang for his thoughtful sermon and scripture readings the last few weeks. His enthusiasm is contagious! Mandy Rosica's participation in worship is appreciated, and thanks to Karen Schwartz for serving refreshments last week.

We pray for all of our elected officials, peace in our community, country and world, and for the people of Ukraine.

Please keep our Covenant families and friends in your prayers:

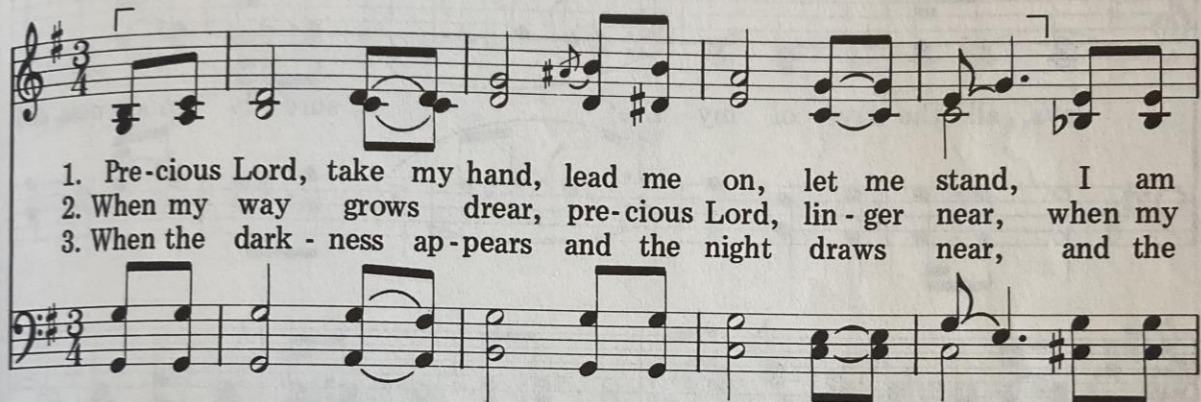
Mary Lou - continued healing and strength following back surgery
Nancy Perritt - thankful prayers for recovery from a persistent Covid infection
Betty Graham - return to good health and being active in her new home
Nina Reeder - session moderator - recovered from hip surgery
Debby Brincivalli - recovery from knee surgery
Emily Busby - very good care at nursing facility
Etna Kessler - very good care at memory care facility
Marilyn and Eugene Davidoff - good care and safety for Marilyn and Eugene
Peggie Massey - keeping well at her home in Texas
Gary Shields - recovery from stroke - former student pastor at Covenant
Betty Herskovitz' friend, Elaine's husband, Bill - receiving chemo for brain illness
Sue Staub - healing and recovery from pain
Cancer patients:
Terri Bell - longtime cancer patient and Covenant member - able to rest comfortably and strength for Ken as he cares for her
Dawn Mozzi - good results from treatment
Pastor Kiner - strength as he receives treatment
Mary Lou's friends - good care for Christopher, Sherry, Pat and Dave
Joan's friend, Mary, as she receives treatment
Bohdonna and Rose - breast cancer patients - good care



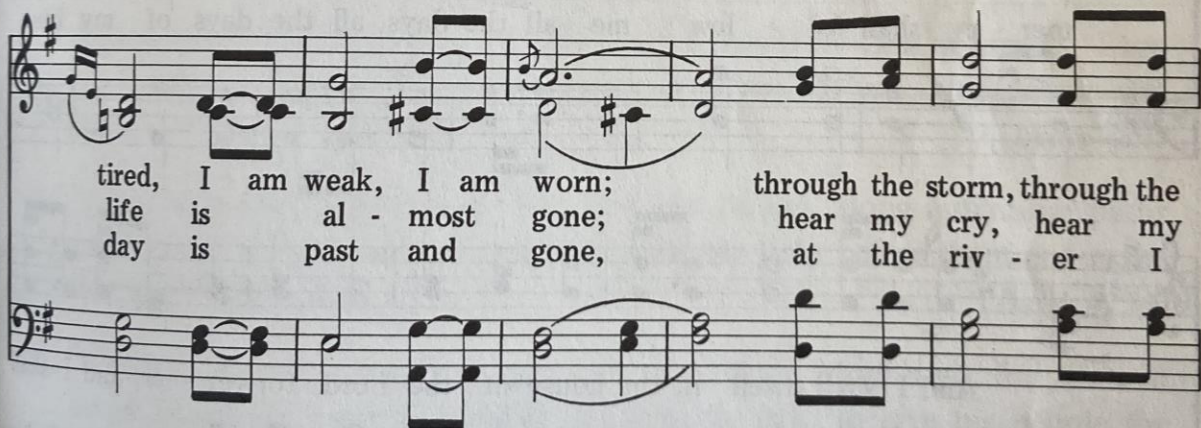
mer - cy for me, and has raised up a lad - der of mer - cy for me.

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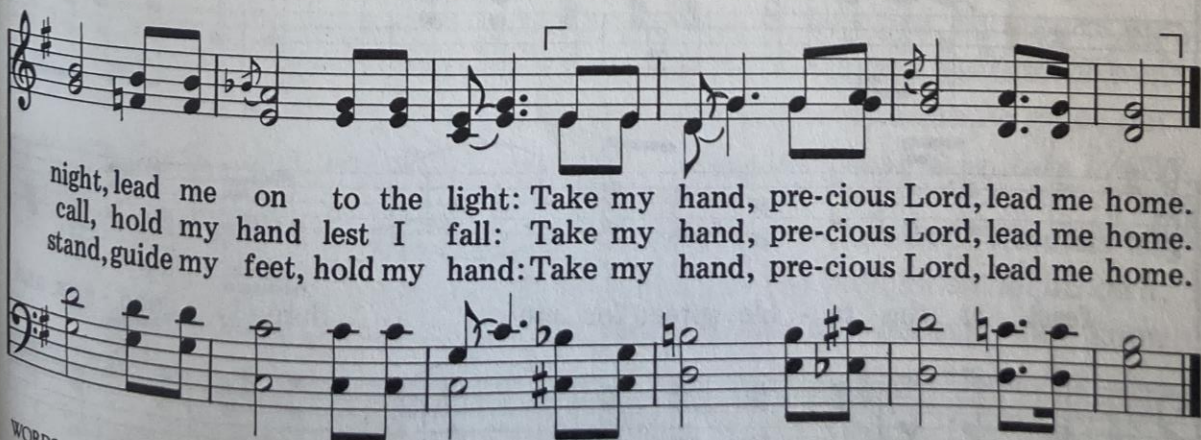
... and lead me in the way everlasting. Ps. 139:24



1. Pre-cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am
 2. When my way grows drear, pre-cious Lord, lin-ger near, when my
 3. When the dark-ness ap-pears and the night draws near, and the



tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the
 life is al-most gone; hear my cry, hear my
 day is past and gone, at the riv-er I



night, lead me on to the light: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
 call, hold my hand lest I fall: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
 stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD
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484 The Old Rugged Cross

Who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame . . . Heb. 12:2

1. On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross, the
 2. O that old rug - ged cross, so de - spised by the world, has a
 3. In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine, a
 4. To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true, its

em - blem of suf - fering and shame; and I love that old cross, where the
 won - drous at - trac - tion for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his
 won - drous beau - ty I see; for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus
 shame and re - proach glad - ly bear; then he'll call me some day to my

Refrain

dear - est and best for a world of lost sin - ners was slain.
 glo - ry a - bove to bear it to dark Cal - va - ry. So I'll cher - ish the
 suf - ered and died to par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.
 home far a - way, where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

old rug - ged cross, till my tro - phies at last I lay down; I will
 cross, the old rug - ged cross,

CHRIST'S SAVING WORK

cling to the old rug-ged cross,
cross, the old rug-ged cross, and ex-change it some day for a crown.

This block contains the musical notation for the first part of the hymn. It features a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a similar key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with some words hyphenated across lines.

I Know a Fount 485

On that day a fountain will be opened . . . to cleanse them from sin and impurity. Zech. 13:1

I know a fount where sins are washed a - way, I know a

This block contains the musical notation for the first part of the hymn 'I Know a Fount'. It features a treble clef staff with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a similar key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with some words hyphenated across lines.

place where night is turned to day, Bur - dens are lift - ed, blind eyes

This block contains the musical notation for the second part of the hymn 'I Know a Fount'. It features a treble clef staff with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a similar key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with some words hyphenated across lines.

made to see; there's a won-der-work-ing power in the blood of Cal-va-ry.

This block contains the musical notation for the third part of the hymn 'I Know a Fount'. It features a treble clef staff with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a similar key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with some words hyphenated across lines.

306 Standing on the Promises

Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises . . . 2 Pet. 1:4

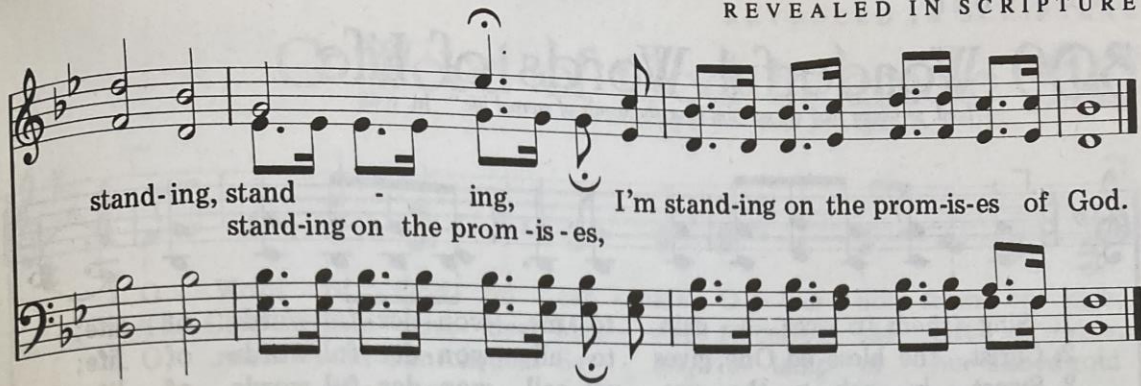
1. Stand-ing on the prom - is - es of Christ my King, through e - ter - nal
 2. Stand-ing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail, when the howl - ing
 3. Stand-ing on the prom - is - es of Christ the Lord, bound to him e -
 4. Stand-ing on the prom - is - es I can - not fall, lis - tening ev - ery

a - ges let his prais - es ring - "Glo - ry in the high - est," I will
 storms of doubt and fear as - sail, by the liv - ing Word of God I
 ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord, o - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the
 mo - ment to the Spir - it's call, rest - ing in my Sav - ior as my

Refrain

shout and sing, stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God.
 shall pre - vail, stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God. Stand - ing,
 Spir - it's sword, stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God.
 all in all, stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God.

stand - ing, stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God my Sav - ior;
 stand-ing on the prom - is - es,



Prayer for Illumination 307

Compassionate God, since faith comes by hearing your Word, help us to listen to the scriptures with all attention, that they may criticize our faults, confirm our faith, and console our spirits, through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. **Amen.**

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The Holy Scriptures 308

First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

2 Peter 1:20-21

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope.

Romans 15:4

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Psalms 119:105, 18, 34

The Lord exists forever; your word is firmly fixed in heaven. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

Psalms 119:89; Isaiah 40:8