

We glorify God by loving Him and loving people.



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP THE LORD'S DAY

**January 11, 2026
10:30AM & 5:00PM**

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Apart from Christ we can do nothing.

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

† Call to Worship

Psalm 92:1-2

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
²to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,

† *Please stand if able.*

† Invocation

Minister

† Lord's Prayer

Unison

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 of Praise

TPH 216

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

† Please stand if able.

Prayer of Confession of Sin

Holy and righteous God, we confess that like Isaiah, we are a people of unclean lips. But it is not only unclean lips we possess. We are people with unclean hands and unclean hearts. We have broken Your law times without number, and are guilty of pride, unbelief, self-centeredness, and idolatry. Affect our hearts with the severity of our sin and the glory of Your righteousness as we now acknowledge our sins in Your holy presence. We have had other gods before You. We have taken Your name in vain, We have not kept Your Day holy. We have murdered in our hearts. We have committed adultery with our eyes. We have stolen what is not ours and coveted what belongs to others. We have lied to You and to others. God, we have sinned against Your mercy times without number. Our iniquities have gone over our heads. If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities. O Lord, who could stand? How shall we answer You? We lay our hands on our mouths. We have no answer to your righteous wrath and just judgment, except for the one you have provided for us through the death of Christ. Amen.

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Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:8-10

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

† Psalm of Assurance

TPH 33

With Joy Let Us Sing to the Lord

verses 1 & 4-5

† *Please stand if able.*

† Confession of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; On the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. AMEN.

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Pastoral Prayer

Minister

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:13-25

*Pew Bible page
number 809*

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

“The Beginning of Jesus’ Ministry”

Introduction (v. 12-16)

- I. He Began to Preach (v. 17a) and
Teach (v. 23a)
- II. He Preached Repentance (v. 17b)
- III. He Called Disciples (v. 18-22)
- IV. He Performed Miracles (v. 23-25)

Conclusion

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Offertory *see bulletin insert*
Clothed in Righteousness

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

† Gloria Patri **TPH 571**

† Prayer of Dedication *Minister*

† Hymn of Response **TPH 538**
Take My Life, and Let It Be

† Benediction *Minister*

Postlude

† Please stand if able.

Clothed in Righteousness

Isaiah 1:18/ R. C. Sproul/C. Courtney

Sent Fall - en race in E - den fair, ex - posed and full of
 from the gar - den to the east, out - side of E - den's
 Scar - let souls are now like snow by Thy a - ton - ing a -
 No work of ours is good e - nough for Thy e - vil to a -

shade gale. grace. tone. Your Fled we nak - ed from Thy sight, far from Thy ho - ly
 Ban - ished there from Thy pure light were Ad - am and his
 Crim - son hearts be - come like wool for Ad - am's fall - en
 mer - it, Lord, is all we have. It saves, and it a -

name, mate, race, lone! Clothe us in Your right - eous - ness, hide filth - y rags of sin.

Dress us in Your per - fect garb, both out - side and with - in.

EVENING WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Minister

† Hymn of Praise

TPH 219

O Worship the King

Pastoral Prayer

Minister

† Please stand if able.

Scripture Reading

Daniel 6:1-13

*Pew Bible
page number
743*

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

“Daniel Prepared for the Lion’s Den”

Introduction

I. Daniel’s Authority (v. 1-5)

II. The Plot to Destroy Daniel (v. 6-13)

Conclusion

† Psalm of Preparation

TPH 119E

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

† Hymn of Response

TPH 557

Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer

† Benediction

Minister

Postlude

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WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

Monday	Matthew 4:12-16; Isaiah 9:1-2; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Ephesians 4:14	Look at a Bible map of the New Testament. Where is the sea of Galilee located in the land of Israel?
Tuesday	Matthew 4:17, 3:2, & 10:5-7; Romans 1:16	What was the content of Jesus' preaching? How is it different than that of John the Baptist?
Wednesday	Matthew 4:18-20; Revelation 21:19-20	What kinds of occupations are Jesus' disciples called from? What are they called to do after Jesus called them?
Thursday	Matthew 4:21-22; Proverbs 11:30; 1 Corinthians 9:22; Matthew 11:28	Why was it necessary for the disciples to leave their nets in order to pursue following Jesus?
Friday	Matthew 4:23-24a, 6:10, & 16:18-19; Luke 17:21	What was the primary subject of Jesus' preaching and teaching ministry?
Saturday	Matthew 4:24b-25, 9:33, 12:22, 17:15 & 18; Mark 9:23; Luke 13:10-12	How many of the people with illnesses did Jesus heal? What leads the list of illnesses that Jesus healed in verse 24b?

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday	12:00pm Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	5:30 pm Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting (childcare provided) Youth Group (6-12 th grade) Covenant Kids Club (PreK-5 th grade)
Thursday	7:00pm Choir Meeting 9:30am Men's Coffee at Rick's Bakery 9:30am Women's Bible Study 7:00pm Men's Thursday Evening Fellowship <i>1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month</i>
Friday	6:00am Men's Larger Catechism Study
Saturday	9:00am Spanish/English Bible Study <i>Springdale Public Library</i>

Events with no listed location will meet at the church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ladies Thursday Bible Study has begun a new 19-week Ligonier series based on the well-known allegory Pilgrims Progress taught by Derek Thomas. Study guides are available, please contact Denise Sagan for more information.

The Friday 6 am Men's Bible Study will resume of Friday morning January 16th at the church. We will be studying the Bible References of the Westminster Larger Catechism. Men join us for a good breakfast and Christ-centered fellowship.




Church officer nominations will remain open through January 15th. Nomination forms are available at the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to nominate someone, please confirm that he is willing to serve **before** submitting the form.

Biblical Counseling Training Institute invites you to an informational meeting January 29th at 7:00 PM hosted at Covenant Church! Come find out more about the mission behind BCTI's nonprofit ministry. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to Paul Tamelung at arbcti@proton.me

Mark your calendars for February 27th to March 1st for our annual Missions conference. Dave Culmer, one of the missionaries we support through Faith Promise will be the Plenary speaker. We are looking for host homes for missionaries who will be visiting. Most would arrive Friday and depart Monday morning. Please contact Nathan Jarvis if you would like to host.

We are greatly in need of more volunteers to serve our children in the nursery during worship. Nursery service is open to men with younger children and women. Even if you can only serve a semester, please prayerfully consider helping serve our church in this way. Contact Rachel Carl for about joining this important ministry.

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Please join us for a
Baby Shower Honoring






Chandler Gaesswitz



FEBRUARY 7TH 2:00 TO 4:00PM

MADISON TAYLOR'S HOME
911 WESTMINSTER
CAVE SPRINGS, ARKANSAS



Registered through Babylist
RSVP to Madison Taylor at 501-920-1801

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Date	Worship
Jan. 11	Gizelle Mrosak, Rachel Carl, Kristyn Ersteniuk
Jan. 18	Amy Gaessewitz, Katie Alberty, Kathi Stayman
Jan. 25	Karine Kirkland, Leslie Shaw, KirbyAnn Carl
Feb. 1	Katie Welsch, Katie Alberty, Jan House

ELDERS & DEACONS OF COVENANT CHURCH

SESSION

Jordan Carl
Pete Golden
Nathan Jarvis
Paul Sagan, *Moderator*

Jeff Chewning, *Stated Clerk of Session*
Harrison Howle
Rick (Dow) Pursley *Emeritus*
Phil Schenewerk

Deacons

Darin Akerman
Jim Dooley *Emeritus*
John Smith
Nathan Taylor

Ken Andersen
Mike Golden
Dennis Smith *Emeritus*