



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship — Mother's Day

May 13, 2018

8:50am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

*SINGING

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman and Beth Redman

Come and Fill This Place

By Brent Helming

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Holbrook

(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord of hosts is with us.

All: The God of Eve, Esther, Naomi, Ruth, Rachel, Mary, Martha, and Lydia is our refuge.

One: Our eyes have seen the Lord of hosts.

All: Blessed are all who follow the way of the Lord. Let us worship God.

COME AS A CHILD

*(Children ages 4 through 1st grade may go to **Awakening to Worship**, our child-friendly worship time. Greeters at the back of the Sanctuary will go with children to Room 12 downstairs where parents may pick up their children following worship. Our Nursery welcomes young children and our ushers can assist families to the nursery located in the children's wing.)*

Sing 250, **v. 1** "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" by Natalie Sleeth

*In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS AND WOMEN *(unison)*

Gracious God, we thank you for adopting us into your family through the miracle of your grace, and for calling us to be brothers and sisters to each other. Today, loving God, we pray for our mothers:

- who cared for us when we were helpless;
- who comforted us when we were hurt;
- whose love and care we often took for granted.

Today we pray for:

- those who are grieving the loss of their mother,
- those who never knew their biological mother, and now yearn for her,
- those who have experienced the wonder of an adopted mother's, aunt's, sister's, or grandmother's love,
- the families separated by war or conflict.

Lord, give them special blessings. Keep us united with you and with each other, so that we can be and become all that we are meant to be, through our Lord Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.

All: And also with you and all others!

(Let us greet one another with expressions of love.)

*SINGING

I Lift My Hands

By Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio
and Matt Maher

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a
Faith That Works in Real Life*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 6:4–9
(Old Testament, Page 163)

Meredith Watson

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON II Timothy 1:3–12
(New Testament, Page 211)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Until That Day"

Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS & MUSIC

*SINGING

Cornerstone

By Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan,
Eric Liljero, and William Batchelder Bradbury

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**If convenient/able, please stand.*

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