



# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2017 8:50am

*Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community*

\* SINGING Awaken the Dawn Stuart Gerard  
Waterfall Chris Tomlin

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
One: Scripture says, "Nothing can separate us from God's love." As we gather today, let us remember this truth.  
**All: We know that nothing, in life or in death, can separate us from God's love. Let us worship God.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Fred Holbrook  
*(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)*

COME AS A CHILD  
*(Worship bags are available for children who remain in the Sanctuary. Nursery age children are welcome to be taken to our Nursery which is located in the Children's Wing. An usher can direct you.)*

Sing (468) "In My Life" LORD, BE GLORIFIED  
*In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.  
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.*

*In your church, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.  
In your church, Lord, be glorified today.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(unison)*  
From A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA (1983)

**We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image,  
male and female, of every race and people,  
to live in one community.  
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.  
Ignoring God's commandments,  
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth,  
exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.  
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love,  
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people  
to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry,  
God delivered the children of Israel  
from the house of bondage.  
Loving us still,  
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
God is faithful still. 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

A LITANY AFTER HARVEY

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS Romans 8:31-39 Harold Frye  
*(New Testament, Page 158)*

Matthew 6:7-13  
*(New Testament, Page 5)*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "God's Deliverance" Fred Holbrook

SINGING OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Sending People to Serve in the World*

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER  
The Invitation to the Table  
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer  
**...Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

The Words of Institution  
The Sharing of the Bread and Cup  
*(The congregation will come forward, stopping at the chancel steps to receive communion by intinction. Take a piece of bread and then move to where the chalice is. Dip your bread into the cup when it is presented to you. Then return to your seat by way of the side aisles. The chalice on your right contains white grape juice while the one on your left contains red wine. If you prefer not to move, or prefer a gluten-free option, notify an usher and an elder will bring the elements to you.)*

Communion Music  
Prayer after Communion

\* SINGING Revelation Song  
By Jenni Lee Riddle

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***\*If convenient/able, please stand.***

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