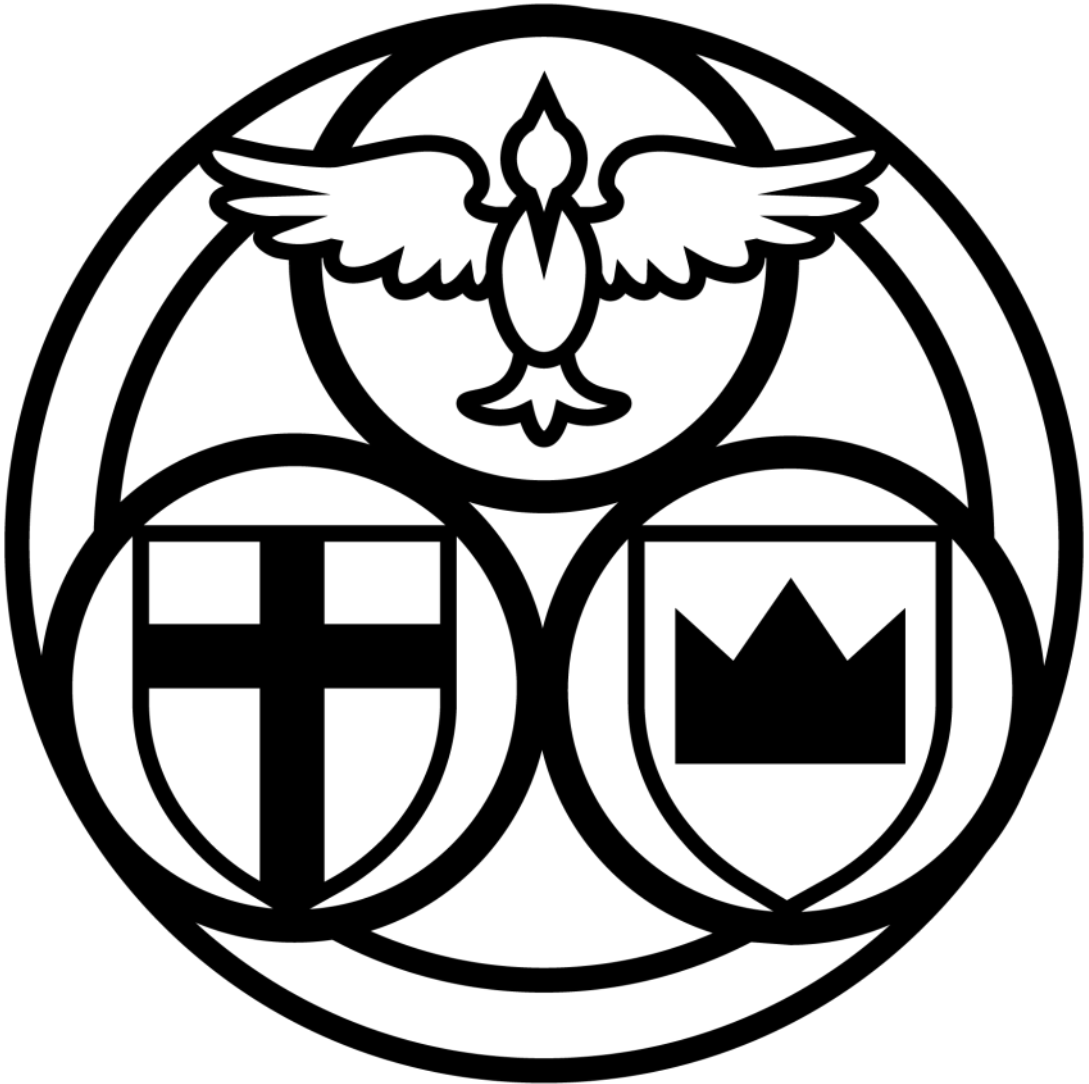




# Covenant-First Presbyterian Church

Our mission is to praise the Father, proclaim the Son  
and submit to the perfecting power of the Holy Spirit.



November 2, 2025 • 10:30 AM Worship

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## **Welcome to Covenant-First Presbyterian Church**

Whether you attend Covenant-First Presbyterian Church on a regular basis or are here for the first time, we are glad you are here. Covenant-First Presbyterian Church was founded in 1790, and has been a part of downtown Cincinnati ever since. Our almost 2,000 pound tower bell is from the Paul Revere Foundry in Boston, and first rang from the steeple of one of our earliest buildings. This building was completed in 1875, and the Austin Pipe Organ dates to 1915, with its approximately 3,500 pipes. We have traditional worship with Bible-based preaching each week. Our music program is enhanced by our Music Scholar program and we are excited to have them lead in worship most Sundays.

If you need help with directions to restrooms, the fellowship hall, or to the lower level nursery, the person who greeted you this morning will be glad to help you.

## **Children and worship**

We delight in children, and your children are always welcome to stay with you in worship. However, if you would prefer nursery care for your infants and toddlers, we do have a professionally staffed nursery in the lower level. We invite children ages 2 years to 5 years to participate in Junior Church. If your child wants to participate in Junior Church, you may escort them to the lower level during the singing of the Doxology. You may then pick your child up following the service from the downstairs classrooms.

## **The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

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## **Validated Parking**

Validated parking is available in the 222 W 7th St. Garage. Validation is done using your car's license plate number. Please locate a greeter to complete the validation process which requires your license plate number. Validation must be done each Sunday you park in the garage.

## **Fellowship Time**

After worship, we invite you to gather with us in Metzger Hall for a reception featuring coffee, treats, and encouraging conversation. Many of us travel from a distance to join together in worship on Sunday mornings, and we find this weekly fellowship time to be a valuable and enriching time for us to catch up and meet new people. Please join us!

## **About us**

If you are interested in learning more about Covenant-First Presbyterian Church, please pick up any of the literature located on the back tables, see your morning greeter, contact the church office at 513-621-4144, or visit our website at [www.covfirstchurch.org](http://www.covfirstchurch.org).

# Service for the Lord's Day

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**Pre-Service Music**      Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654      J.S. Bach  
Christie Lee, Organ Scholar

**Concerns of the Congregation**      Rev. Dr. Dan Turis

**Call to Worship**      Kelly Millhaem  
One: Come, people of God, bring your offerings with willing hearts, for the Lord desires a sanctuary, dwelling among those who freely give.

**Prelude**      Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit, BWV 672      J.S. Bach  
Christie Lee, Organ Scholar

**Ringling of the Revere Tower Bell**  
Let the ringing of the Revere bell call our attention away from ourselves  
and onto the living Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**\*Hymn #533** vs. 1,2, & 6      For All the Saints

**\*Invocation**      Kelly Millhaem  
**All: O Lord, you need nothing, yet you invite our gifts. Sanctify our hands and hearts, that we may offer our gifts to your dwelling, not man's vanity.**

**\*Prayer of Confession**      Rev. Dr. Turis  
**All: Merciful God, we confess we often give reluctantly, keeping back our best. We honor thee with lips, but hoard with hearts. Forgive our miserly spirits, cleanse us, and renew our love to offer freely unto thee.**

**\*Moments of Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**  
One: Hear the comfort of the Gospel: The Lord who commanded offerings has given the greatest gift — his own Son. Christ is the true Tabernacle, in whom God dwells with us. His blood has atoned for our failures, his Spirit remakes our hearts. In him, our unwillingness is pardoned, and our hands made willing. Therefore, as you trust Christ, know your sins are forgiven, and your offerings made acceptable in him.

**\*Gloria Patri #575**      Glory Be to the Father  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

## **Anthem**

We Remember You

Walt Harrah and Lloyd Larson

Covenant Choir

We remember you; by your sacrifice of love all glory now is due. At this table here, mercy hovers near. Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.

Jesus, King of kings, name above all names, precious holy Lamb of God, your praises we proclaim! Gladly we embrace both these signs of grace, thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you. We remember you; by your sacrifice of love all glory now is due. At this table here mercy hovers near. Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.

## **Prayers of the People**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**All: 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.**

### **Call for the Offering**

*(If you would like to give online see the back of the bulletin.)*

### **Offertory**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Arr. Mark Hayes

Kayla Sconiers, Mezzo Soprano

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the Saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who, wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity!

### **\*Doxology #572**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*At this time all children are invited to go to Children's Church*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

### **Scripture Lesson**

Exodus 25:1-9

Rev. Dr. Turis

The LORD said to Moses, <sup>2</sup> “Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. You are to receive the offering for me from everyone whose heart prompts them to give. <sup>3</sup> These are the offerings you are to receive from them: gold, silver and bronze; <sup>4</sup> blue, purple and scarlet yarn and fine linen; goat hair; <sup>5</sup> ram skins dyed red and another type of durable leather; acacia wood; <sup>6</sup> olive oil for the light; spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense; <sup>7</sup> and onyx stones and other gems to be mounted on the ephod and breastpiece. <sup>8</sup> Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them. <sup>9</sup> Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you.”

One: This is God’s Word for God’s People.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

The Worship of Giving and the Giving of Worship

Rev. Dr. Turis

### **\*Apostles Creed**

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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**The Invitation**

**The Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Communion**

We will share in the body together. You may drink of the cup when desired.

**The Prayer of Blessing**

**\*Hymn #401**

## When Peace Like a River

### \*Benediction

## Postlude

# Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671

J.S. Bach

Christie Lee, Organ Scholar

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## This week at CFPC

## Sunday, November 2

8:45 AM — Choir Rehearsal

9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School

9:45 AM — Bell Ringing Workshop

10:30 AM — Worship

11:45 PM — Fellowship Time

## Wednesday, November 5

12 Noon — Brown Bag Bible Study

8 PM — Wednesday Evening Bible Study

## Saturday, November 8

7:30 AM — Men's Bible Study

4 PM — Hayden Glasgow Organ Recital

## Planning Ahead

Sunday, November 9

8:45 AM — Choir Rehearsal

9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School

9:45 AM — Bell Ringing Workshop

10:30 AM — Worship

11:45 PM — Fellowship Time

## Monday, November 10

6:30 PM — Session Meeting

## Tuesday, November 11

Veteran's Day Holiday

## Wednesday, November 12

12 Noon — Brown Bag Bible Study

8 PM — Wednesday Evening Bible Study

## Saturday, November 15

7:30 AM — Men's Bible Study

10 AM — Piatt Park Decorating

# Verses 1, 2 and 6

## 533 For All the Saints

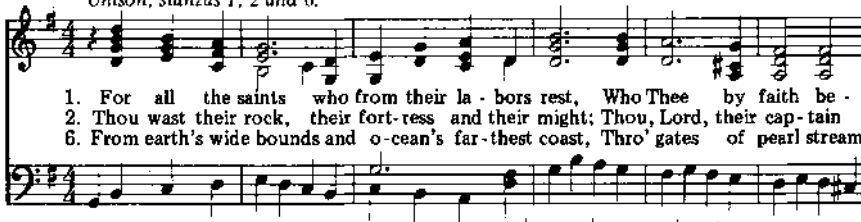
*These all died in faith . . . and confessed that they were . . . pilgrims. Heb. 11:13*

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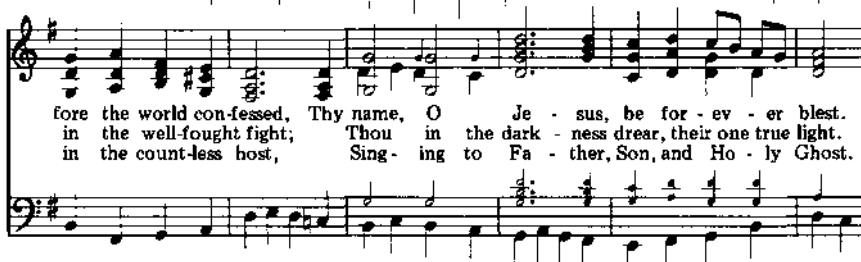
William W. How, 1864

Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

*Unison, stanzas 1, 2 and 6.*



1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith be -  
 2. Thou wast their rock, their fort-ress and their might; Thou, Lord, their cap-tain  
 6. From earth's wide bounds and o - cean's far - thest coast, Thro' gates of pearl stream

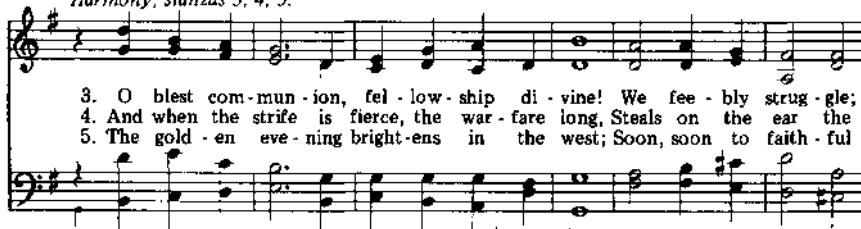


fore the world con-fessed, Thy name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 in the well-fought fight; Thou in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 in the count-less host, Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

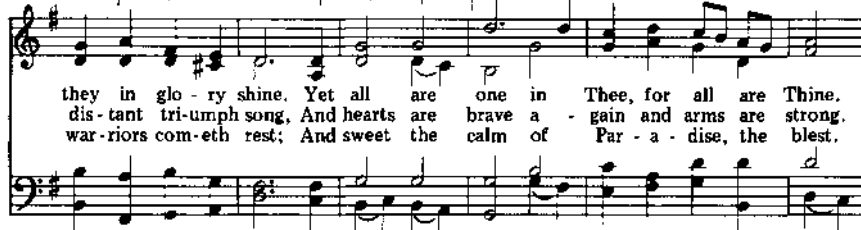


(after stanza 6)  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

*Harmony, stanzas 3, 4, 5.*



3. O blest com-mun-ion, fel-low-ship di-vine! We fee-bly strug-gle;  
 4. And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, Steals on the ear the  
 5. The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; Soon, soon to faith-ful



they in glo-ry shine. Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
 dis-tant tri-umph song, And hearts are brave a - gain and arms are strong.  
 war-riors com-eth rest; And sweet the calm of Par - a - dise, the blest.

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# When Peace Like a River Attendeth 401

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits . . . Psa. 103:2*

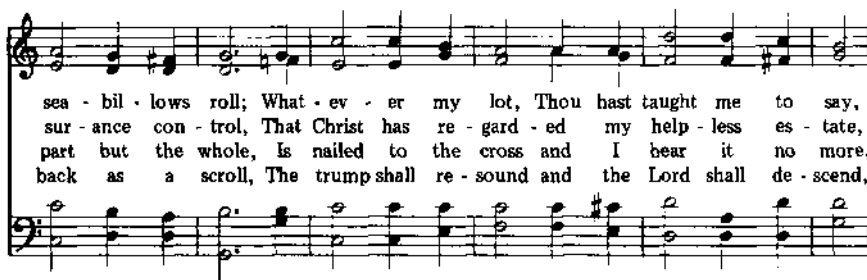
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Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

Philip P. Bliss, 1876



1. When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, When sor - rows like  
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, tho' tri - als should come, Let this blest as -  
 3. My sin— O, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought, My sin— not in  
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled



sea - bil - lows roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
 sur - ance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,  
 part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,  
 back as a scroll, The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,



*Refrain*

"It is well, it is well with my soul."  
 And hath shed His own blood for my soul. It is well with my  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well  
 "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.



soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 with my soul,

PEACE AND JOY