

Covenant Community Church



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Second Sunday in Lent
March 17, 2019

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Today is a day to sing praise to God!

People: God continually blesses us, every day.

Leader: Even in the midst of cold and darkness, the warmth of God's love is real.

People: We can count on God to be here for us.

Leader: Let your hearts rejoice and your voices shout praise to God.

People: For God is great and worthy to be praised. Amen.

*Opening Hymn #

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*Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

*Scripture Lesson

Luke 13:31-35

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

God's Love Made Visible

Interlude

Response to the Word

Leader: Light:

People: shining, burning, beacon, warmth, glowing, showing, salvation, love.

Leader: Rock:

People: stronghold, fortress, foundation, strength, protection, redeemer, salvation, love.

Leader: Hen:

People: mother, parent, safety, care, protection, nurture, salvation, love.

Leader: Jesus:

People: prophet, blessing, transformer, promise, fulfillment, savior, salvation, love.

Leader: These few words are just the beginning of a list of your attributes. We can't even begin to capture the awesomeness of your character, O God. Thank you for being our faithful God.

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offering Response:

He said, "Freely, freely, you have received; freely, freely give.

Go in my name and because you believe, others will know that I live."

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent Into the World

*Closing Hymn #

*Benediction

*Response *(our tradition is to face and bless each other as we sing)*

*The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.*

Leader: Go in the love of God, whose promises are never broken.

People: We go in the light of Christ, whose love transforms us.

Leader: Go in the power of the Holy Spirit, whose fire sustains and encourages us.

People: We go now into the world as witnesses of God's love, light, and power.

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Announcements

- **Adult Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.:** Join us at any time! Lynn Conner is the facilitator.
- **Movie Night, Saturday, March 30, 4:30 p.m.:** Meet at Bill and Patty's home. Bring a dish to share. Movie at 4:30PM, potluck and conversation follows. Movie themes and talk are for adults, not for children.
- **East Coast Conference Annual Meeting Delegates Needed:** Meeting will be at a covenant church in Springfield, Massachusetts on April 26 & 27 (half day). We can send two delegates to represent our church at this meeting. It is a good opportunity to connect with other church representatives in the conference. Please talk with Pastor Jeannette if you have questions.

Helping Us to Worship

Ministers to the World:	The Congregation
Minister to the Congregation:	Rev. Jeannette Conner
Music Leaders:	Peter Olson
Scripture Reader:	Julie Smith
Greeter:	Karen Zidovsky
Cleaners:	Patty Woodham and Bill Wiltshire

Welcome!

Greetings! And a warm welcome to you!

We are glad to have you here—we are better together.
If you are visiting us for the first time,
please sign our guest book at the entrance,
and complete a visitor's card

Please join us for coffee or tea after worship.
We would like to get to know you.

Child care (infant through pre-K) is provided
during the worship service.
We ask that you please pick up your child
promptly after church.

This Week's Events

Sunday, March 17th
Adult Study, 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship—March 24, 2019

Greeters:	Doug & Marcia Morrell
Church Cleaners:	Patty Woodham & Bill Wiltshire
	(March 11-24)

If you have announcements, prayer requests or other special needs contact Pastor Jeannette Conner, 879-4313 (church) or Diane Border, Church Administrative Assistant 879-4313.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 24th

Adult Study, 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 27th

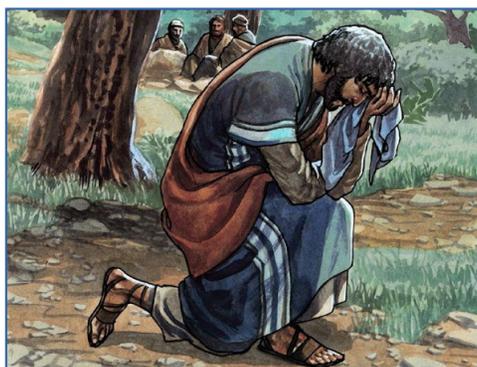
Leadership Team Meeting, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 31st

Adult Study, 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Season of Lent



Lent commemorates the 40 days Jesus spent in the wilderness being honed by God for the ministry that God had planned for Him. Jesus spent those 40 days becoming empowered to do God's work. How might God hone us throughout Lent this year to be equipped for the mission planned for us? We know God's already working. We can feel it! Lent is simply an opportunity to focus even more intently on our ever-growing relationship with God.

We are seeking and trusting God's will.

We are reaching out to our community in love and service.

We are practicing being a thankful generous people.

We are praying alone and in community.

Here is a link that has daily devotions during Lent that include music, Scripture and visual art. They are curated by Biola University staff.

<http://ccca.biola.edu/lent/2019>

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 sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us,
and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever. Amen.

Luke 13:31-35 New Living Translation (NLT)

³¹ At that time some Pharisees said to him, "Get away from here if you want to live! Herod Antipas wants to kill you!"

³² Jesus replied, "Go tell that fox that I will keep on casting out demons and healing people today and tomorrow; and the third day I will accomplish my purpose. ³³ Yes, today, tomorrow, and the next day I must proceed on my way. For it wouldn't do for a prophet of God to be killed except in Jerusalem!"

³⁴ "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn't let me. ³⁵ And now, look, your house is abandoned. And you will never see me again until you say, 'Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD!'"