

### Understandings for Public Worship

\*Please wear facemasks while entering and exiting the sanctuary. You are welcome to wear them throughout the worship service, but it is not required if you have been fully vaccinated.

\*Children and teachers attending Godly Play will continue to wear masks.

\*Your Tithes and Offerings may be contributed at the stationary boxes near each entrance.

\*Adult Education classes will meet in the Covenant room at 9:30 A.M. each Sunday morning. Monday School meets each week at 6:30 P.M. in the Covenant House.

\*Godly play (children age 4 through 2nd grade) and Kidz Time (3rd—6th grade) will meet on the third floor each Sunday after the Children's Message during worship.

### **Come Explore the Rainforest! Vacation Bible School**

July 25-29, 2021, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

We begin on Sunday evening at Nay Aug Park with a family outing and scavenger hunt.

Monday through Thursday we will meet in the Sawtelle Auditorium and education rooms where we'll enjoy music, arts and crafts, a story time, and of course, a meal! Please register with the church office, through Covenant's website, or on Facebook.



### **July - Take Me Out to the Ballgame, Take Me Out with the Crowd!**

Friday, July 9th, 7:05 P.M.

Join us for a Railriders game at Montage Mountain as they take on Syracuse - followed by an Independence Day celebration. Tickets are \$10 (plus parking) and Covenant will cover the cost for anyone 10 years old or younger. Please call or email the church office with your reservations (and send in your payment). You can also register online—just go to our website.

[www.covenantscranton.org](http://www.covenantscranton.org)



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 13, 2021

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

Prelude                      Nocturne Op. 9 #2                      *Frederic Chopin*

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Welcome

Invitation to Confession and Prayer

Assurance of Pardon and Grace

**GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED**

Scripture Reading                      Mark 4: 35-41                      *NRSV*

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Children's Sermon

Musical Selection                      Adagio from Sonata K. 332      *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

Scripture Reading                      II Corinthians 6: 1-13                      *NRSV*

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be

found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

**GOD'S WORD REVEALED**

Sermon                      "The Power of Presence"      *Rev. Dr. Carol Ann Fleming*

Musical Selection                      Song Without Words Op. 19 #1                      *Felix Mendelssohn*

Prayers of the People

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude                      Etude Op. 25 #1 "Aeolian Harp"                      *Frederic Chopin*

NRSV – New Revised Standard Version of the Bible

**Participating in Worship Today**

*Rev. Scott G. Loomer, Pastor*

*Rev. Dr. Carol Ann Fleming, Transitional Associate Pastor  
for Christian Education and Family Ministry*

*Nina Kouznetsov, Guest Pianist*