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SERVICE OF WORSHIP, OCTOBER 11, 2026

“Knowing Christ and Making Him Known”

Welcome and good morning! This Lord’s Day, as you prepare for worship and communion, please meditate on our memory verse Ezra 10:11a (NKJ), “Make confession to the LORD God of your fathers, and do His will!”

Welcome and Announcements Elder Chris Cleaveland

WE WORSHIP THE COVENANT GOD

Prelude: Ms. Caroline Cleaveland

Choral Special: “Palms of Victory” Ms. Gail Parker and the Shearer Choir

Call to Worship from Psalm 103:17-22 (NKJ)
Worship Leader Dennis Drennen

L: “The mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, And His righteousness to children’s children,

ALL: “To such as keep His covenant, and to those who remember His com- mandments to do them.

L: “The LORD has established His throne in heaven, and His kingdom rules over all.

ALL: “Bless the LORD, you His angels, who excel in strength, who do His word, heeding the voice of His word.

L: “Bless the LORD, all *you* His hosts, *you* ministers of His, who do His pleasure.

ALL: “Bless the LORD, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!”

CURRENT NEEDS

Lori Pruitt	Rosa Brackett	Rhonda Meadows	Pete Hager
Stephen Stout	Paul Eaton	A. J. Garofolo	Colton Durham
Durham (Deployed)	Maddie Hefner	Pat Westmoreland	Michael Frank Hicks
Judy Nance	May Shaw	Chuck Woschnik	

For prayer requests, contact Cheryl, Chair of the Prayer Warrior Team, at cherylbranz@gmail.com
Or text 704-235-8761

MEMBERS FAMILIES AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Jeremy Dingler (Mooresville Police Department)	Ian Bryen (U.S. Air Force)
Kate Durham, LCDR (U.S Navy Seahawk Pilot)	Eric Lipp (U.S. Army)
Michael Durham , Chief (U.S. Navy Seal Team 5)	Sgt. Tristan Butler (U.S. Marine Corp)
Rik Evans (U.S. Army)	Travis Meadows (NC State Trooper)
Cody Hauser (U.S. Army)	Mark Sheldon (Char-Meck Homicide Detective)
Madeline Hefner (U.S. Air Force National Guard)	Andrew Sherwood (U.S. Army)
Matthew Johnson (Highway Patrol)	Colton Sprinkle (U.S. Army National Guard)
U.S. Army Chaplain Han Cheung, Madigan Army Base	Joshua Stevens (CPO, U.S. Navy)
	Nycholas Weddington (U.S. Marine Corp)

OUR CONTINUING NEEDS

Jean Whatley	JoAnn Gamble	Phyllis Overcash	Mia Crim (Joy Ranch)	May Shaw
Nancy Covington	Courtney Young	Joyce Rogers	Rhonda Meadows (Wilkes Assisted Living	
Jimmy Sherrill (Crestview Room 508)	Sandra VanStory	Steve & Pat Westmoreland		

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Peter & Diane Bakkelar - Japan
Roger & Laura Dye - Chile
Will & Martha Faires - Asia
David & Danielle Grotten - Chile
Shaun & Becky Hurrie-South Afrca
Robin Price - England
Jim Ramsey - Romania
African Bible College
Becky White - Taiwan
Julian Bacon— Brussels, Belgium

U.S. MISSIONS

Chaplain Guardian Corp - U.S.A.
Hope Remains Youth Ranch
The Wadhams - Washington State

LOCAL MISSIONS

The Christian Mission
Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman
Dennis Drennen - Fellowship of Christian Athletes
The Gideons
Mooresville Area Bible Teachers Association (MABTA)
RUF Davidson College & UNCC
Metanoia Prison Ministry

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Young People

Nursery (0 - 3 y/o)	Rm 104
Toddlers (2 - 4 y/o)	Rm 103
Beginners I (PK - 1st)	Rm 105
Beginners II (2nd - 3rd)	Rm 102
Apprentices (4th - 5th)	Rm 110
Catecumens (6th - 8th)	Rm 108
So What? (9th - 12th)	Rm 111

Adult Options

Study	Room	Leader
First Peter	101	D Drennen
Acts	106	JNewcombe/RMusetti
John	107	S Roseman
Consequences of Ideas	Flwshp Hall	J Jorgensen

Fall Quarter | **Sundays**
September - November | **@ 9:45 AM**

Chorus of Worship "Bless the Lord (10,000 Reasons)"

Song by [Matt Redman](#)@2001 Atlas Mountain Songs

Refrain:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul: Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul: I'll worship Your holy name

1] The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes [Refrain]

2] You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find [Refrain]

3] And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession and Invocation

Assurance of Pardon from Hebrews 8:10a, 12 (NKJ)

"This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days,
says the LORD:...Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."

Confession of Faith from the Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 32.”How is the grace of God manifested in the New Covenant?

Answer: The grace of God is manifested in the [New] covenant, in that He freely provides and offers to sinners a Mediator,¹ and life and salvation by Him;² and requiring faith as the condition to interest them in Him,³ promises and gives his Holy Spirit⁴ to all his elect, to work in them that faith,⁵ with all other saving graces;⁶ and to enable them unto all holy obedience,⁷ as the evidence of the truth of their faith⁸ and thankfulness to God,⁹ and as the way which He has appointed them to salvation.¹⁰

[Citing ¹ Gen. 3:15; Isa. 42:16; John 6:27 ² 1 John 5:11,12 ³ John 3:16; John 1:12 ⁴ Prov. 1:23 ⁵ 2 Cor. 4:13. ⁶ Gal. 5:22,23 ⁷ Ezek. 36:27 ⁸ James 2:18,22 ⁹ 2 Cor. 5:14,15 ¹⁰ Eph. 2:18.]

Hymn of Worship based on Ps 103: # 1
“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven” (to the tune of #754)

WE PRAY TO THE COVENANT GOD

Sharing of Praises and Prayer Requests

Pastoral Prayer

WE LISTEN TO THE COVENANT GOD

Memory Verse for today, from Ezra 10:11a (NKJ)

“Make confession to the LORD God of your fathers, and do His will.”

Memory Verse for next Sunday, October 18, 2026, as we start a new sermon series in the Letter of James:

“James, a bondservant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: Greetings.” (1:1)

The Newcomer’s Class meets today in the library during Sunday School time. Class notebooks are available if you need one.



Announcements

The **Lord's Day** schedule is as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Musicians practice-if you want to play along, come and practice the hymns together.
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School—classes for all ages!
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service with overflow seating in the Fellowship Hall

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- Wednesday, October 14
 - 5:30 p.m. AWANAS Meet
 - 6:00 p.m. Prayer Service
 - 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
 - Monday, October 19
 - 7:00 p.m. Stated Officers Meeting

Nursery Schedule

Mechelle Martin	Alison Martin Debbie Hardy	Oct	11
Marilyn Drennen	Cassidy Martin April Pruitt	Oct	18
Althea DaSilva	Linda Tevepough	Oct	25

Greeters Schedule

Mark Knox	Julie Knox	Oct	11
Maria Green	Isaac Haddock	Oct	18
Josh Norris	Sheila Norris	Oct	25

New Testament Reading from Luke 22:19-26 (NKJ) when Jesus inaugurates His New Covenant

¹⁹ And He took bread, gave thanks and broke *it*, and gave *it* to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”

²⁰ Likewise He also *took* the cup after supper, saying, “This cup *is* the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.

²¹ “But behold, the hand of My betrayer *is* with Me on the table.

²² “And truly the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!”

²³ Then they began to question among themselves, which of them it was who would do this thing.

²⁴ Now there was also a dispute among them, as to which of them should be considered the greatest.

²⁵ And He said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called ‘benefactors.’

²⁶ “But not so *among* you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves.”

Song of Praise: # 347 **“And Can it Be” (Verses 1, 2, 4)**

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory **Ms. Gail Parker**

WE LEARN FROM THE COVENANT GOD

Children’s Bible Chat:

After the chat, children 7 and under are invited to attend the Children’s Church by leaving through the door next to the organ.

Sermon from Ezra 10, What Does it mean to live under God’s Covenant?

[1] Living Under God’s Covenant Means to Repair violations of it (vs. 1-5)

- A. A large Assembly Gathered to confess their violation of God’s covenant in Deut 7:4
 - B] How do we square Shechaniah’s suggestion with New Covenant Directions in 1 Cor 7:12-17?
 - C] The Jews were bound by God’s Covenant to annul pagan marriages, which could apply today of a civil marriage not conforming to Matt 19:3.
- Apply: The Jews vow to repair their violations according to Numbers 30:2, whereas you are to so by Matt 5:37.

[2] Living Under God’s Covenant Means to Respond to it (vs. 6-14)

- A. Ezra’s response is to call the nation to Jerusalem to confront this matter (6-9)
 - B. Ezra’s response in vs. 10-&11 specifies their covenant-breaking
 - C. The assembly responds with a reasonable request (12-14)
- Apply: You also should respond positively to God’s covenant, so do you?

[3] Living Under God’s Covenant Means to be Restored to it (15-43)

- A, Despite opposition (v. 15), the Jews are restored by holding each other accountable (16-17), as we are to do in 1 Cor 11:28
- B. The Jews are restored by a solemn promise to God (v. 19a)—as we are (Luke 7:7)
- C. The Jews are restored by sacrifice (v. 19b), as we are also—not yours but Christ’s! (Heb 10:12)

Closing Application: Vs. 44 reminds that living outside the Covenant brings some hard, sad consequences, so take heed!

WE COMMUNE WITH THE COVENANT GOD

OBSERVANCE OF THE COVENANT SIGN OF COMMUNION

All who have trusted Jesus as Savior, who follow Him as Lord, who are part of an evangelical church, and who have examined themselves by the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 11:28) are invited to share Communion with us.

Hymn of Communion: # 463 **“I Will Remember Thee”**

REFLECTION BASED ON PROVERBS 3:17

“Don’t forget the Covenant of your God!”

BENEDICTION FROM Hebrews 13:20-21 (NKJ)

“Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.”

Benediction Song: # 815 **“The Doxology “**

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts!”
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen