

Covenant of Grace Sunday Worship

July 19, 2020

Announcements



In-person worship has resumed at the COG facility. A live-stream capability is available for any who are unable to attend or uncomfortable worshipping in person. Visit <https://cogpca.org/join-us-for-worship/> for more information.



In place of VBS this summer, COG families will be hosting Backyard Get-Togethers! Also, Jill will be hosting weekly meetings via Zoom for 5th grade and younger children. Parents, check your e-mails for details or [contact Jill Burnett](#).



Secure online giving for your tithes and offerings is now available @ cogpca.churchcenter.com/giving. Additionally, new offering boxes have been mounted near the exits to the COG Worship Center.

WELCOME

Pastor Mark Samuel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CALL TO WORSHIP: Ephesians 1-3; 2:4-5; 4:4-6

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
People: who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

Leader: But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy;

People: Made us alive with Christ, even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace we have been saved.

Leader: There is one body and one Spirit -

People: Just as you were called to one hope when you were called –

Leader: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE “*We Worship Together*” **Music Team**

BELIEVERS BAPTISM **Matthew 28:19-20**

BAPTISM OF COVENANT CHILDREN

Genesis 17:7; Acts 16:28-34

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

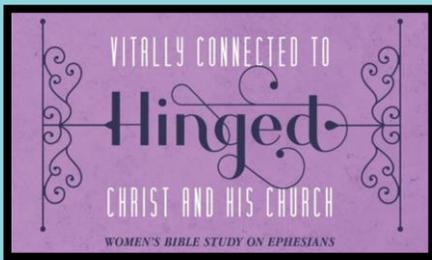
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

SPECIAL MUSIC: “*In His Presence*”
Nancy Rodo, soloist

SCRIPTURE: *Acts 2:38-39, Gal. 3:26-29, Romans 6:3-4

³⁸ Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”



The Women's Ministry will be hosting a Bible Study in conjunction with the National Women's Ministry Leadership of the PCA. Please [click here](#) to find out more information about the upcoming study and to sign up.

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MESSAGE: Signed, Sealed, Delivered-

Text: Acts 2:38-39

Introduction

Big Idea: As a sign and seal of God's grace, Baptism sets us apart for a life following Christ Jesus.

- I. Baptism seals God's gracious covenant promises (Acts 2:38-39)
- II. Baptism signifies our new identity in Christ. (Galatians 3:26-29)
- III. Baptism sets us apart for a new life of meaning and value in Christ (Romans 6:3-4)

Conclusion

BENEDICTION

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION / REFLECTION

Question 1: If you've been baptized (either as an adult or a child), how does this sacrament impact your thinking about your identity?

Question 2: Galatians 3:27 says that we have "clothed ourselves with Christ", through Baptism, making us "children of God through faith." How does your new identity as "child of God" direct and guide your daily life?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Galatians 3:28 says that the impact of having been clothed with Christ is that there are to be no preferences or divisions among God's people. What divisions are we called to overcome as God's community; what preferences/divisions do we need to lay down so that God's people might become one?
2. Read Ephesians 4:3-6 - Compare this with Galatians 3:28. What is at the root of unity in the body of Christ?
3. "Baptism...is like a sealed document to confirm to us that all our sins are so abolished, remitted, and effaced that they can never come to his sight, be recalled, or charged against us. For (God) wills that all who believe be baptized for the remission of sins." - John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion IV.XV.1

NEXT WEEK'S MESSAGE: "At Home With the Lord"
Psalm 23:6
Herb Ruby, preaching