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Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning.

Thank you for joining us and may you experience

God's blessing in our worship.

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## The Lord's Day

January 3, 2010

### Prelude

◆**Call to Worship:** Psalm 86:8-10

Leader: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

**People: All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.**

Leader: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

### Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** #54 "Hallelujah! Raise, O Raise"

**Call to Confession:** Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart!  
Try me and know my thoughts!  
And see if there be any grievous way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting!

### Prayer of Confession

**Assurance of Pardon:** Psalm 145:13-14

The LORD is faithful in all his words,  
and kind in all his works.  
The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

◆**Hymn of Praise:** #172 Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

### ◆**Our Profession of Faith**

— The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. AMEN.

### Pastoral Prayer

### Worship with Tithes and Offerings

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** #145 "The Spirit Breathes upon the Word"

**Old Testament:** Jeremiah 31:15-17

**New Testament:** Matthew 2:13-23

**Sermon:** "A New Kind of King!"

◆**Hymn of Response:** #589 "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God"

### ◆**Benediction**

◆**Doxology:** #549 "By the Sea of Crystal"  
(stanza 3 only)

Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,  
and the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone.  
God has wrought salvation, he did wondrous things.  
Who shall not extol you, holy King of kings!

### Postlude

**Greeter this week:** *Marie Stults*  
**Greeter next week:** *Ed Lewis*  
**Piano:** *Mary Beth Lewis*  
**Nursery:** *Staff* (as needed)  
**Flowers for January:** *Fink family*

☐ **Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast...** will be held Saturday morning, January 9, from 8:30-10am, at the Lewis' home. All men are invited. Please let Ed or Mary Beth know if you plan to attend, 248-596-0521, or you can e-mail Ed at: [elewis59@rocketmail.com](mailto:elewis59@rocketmail.com).

☐ **The 2010 OPC Winter Youth Retreat "All-Nighter"...** will be held at the downtown YMCA in Grand Rapids on January 22-23 for 7th-12th grade students and interested parents. Pastor Steve Igo will be speaking on the topic, "Blessed are the Persecuted— How Ill Treatment Builds Enduring Faith in Christ." The YMCA facility includes many amenities, including two swimming pools, a water slide, two climbing walls, two full basketball courts, squash and racquetball courts and other exercise equipment. The cost of the retreat will be \$30. Brochures are available at the presbytery's web site at: [www.all-of-grace.org/pres](http://www.all-of-grace.org/pres).

☐ **Young Adult Winter Ski Retreat...January 29 –31.** We will host our 2nd annual Winter Ski Retreat for young adults (college age and above) at Chain-O-Lakes OPC in Central Lake, MI. There will be lots of good food, fellowship and winter snow sports @ Shanty Creek. Rev. Everett Henes (Hillsdale OPC) will speak on "Learning to Pray through the Psalms." The cost is incredibly affordable—\$15 for the entire weekend! Snow sports cost additionally, but we have incredible discounts—skiing or snowboarding is only \$15 more, and equipment rental is only \$15 more. Brochures are available at the presbytery's web site at [www.all-of-grace.org/pres](http://www.all-of-grace.org/pres).

### Upcoming Events

Wed, January 6 - Brighton Community group, 7-9pm  
Fri, January 8 - Women's Fellowship Study at Doll's, 9:30am  
Sat, January 9 - Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast, 8:30am, at Lewis'  
Sun, January 17 - Lord's Supper & Fellowship Luncheon  
Sun, January 17 - OHCC Youth Group, 6pm  
Fri-Sat, January 22-23 - 2010 OPC Winter Youth Retreat All-Nighter  
Fri-Sun, January 29-31 - Young Adult Winter Ski Retreat