

Announcements

February 27th to March 1st – Annual Missions Conference

- See sign-up sheet at the back of the Sanctuary for food needs
- We are working on some children's activities during the conference! Nursery care for children up to 5 years old will be available on both Friday and Saturday. Kids' activities for children 6 through 9 will be available starting at 8 on Friday and during all sessions on Saturday. We encourage kids age 6 through 9 to sit in some of the sessions Friday evening. There was a link in our weekly email to sign up your children so we can get an accurate head count.

March 1st & March 29th – Fellowship Meals

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Covenant Church

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

Fayetteville, Arkansas

The Lord's Day

February 22, 2026

Reverend Dr. Paul Sagan

Session of Covenant Church

Jordan Carl	Jeff Chewning, Stated Clerk of Session
Pete Golden	Harrison Howle
Nathan Jarvis	Rick 'Dow' Pursley, Emeritus
Paul Sagan, Moderator	Phil Schenewerk

Diaconate of Covenant Church

Darin Akerman	Ken Andersen
Jim Dooley, Emeritus	Mike Golden
John Smith	Dennis Smith, Emeritus
Nathan Taylor	

† Call to Worship

Hebrews 12:28-29

Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

† Invocation & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

† Hymn of Praise

#429, Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer of Confession in Unison

Thomas Cranmer

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Daily Devotions

Monday: Matthew 5:38-39; Luke 6:29-31; Exodus 21:22-27;
Deuteronomy 14:19; Leviticus 24:19-20

Why is the principle of retributive justice important? Does Jesus change this in the Sermon on the Mount? How?

Tuesday: Matthew 5:40-42, 27:32; Mark 15:21; Romans 12:20;
2 Corinthians 9:6-15

How are we called to treat those who we encounter who ask for financial help?

Wednesday: Matthew 5:43; Luke 6:32-36; Psalm 139:21-22;
1 Corinthians 13

How do we love our enemies and not hate them? Does loving them mean accepting evil?

Thursday: Matthew 5:44-45 in light of Matthew 10:36

How do we apply the truth in the midst of family and personal conflicts?

Friday: Matthew 5:46-47; Luke 6:32-35; 1 Peter 2:20-23

How should the teaching and example of Christ apply to us in the midst of a conflict with others?

Saturday: Matthew 5:48; Genesis 17:1; Deuteronomy 18:13;
1 Peter 1:15-16

How is it possible for us to fulfill this commandment of Jesus?

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 51:7-10

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

† Hymn of Assurance

#179, Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

† Confession of Faith in Unison

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon – Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan
“Loving Your Enemies”

Matthew 5:38-48

1. The Law of Retaliation
2. The Law of Forgiveness
3. The Law of Loving Your Enemies

Offertory #488, May the Mind of Christ, My Savior, v. 1 & 2

† Doxology #571, Gloria Patri

† Prayer of Dedication

† Closing Psalm #150C, Sing Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

† Benediction

Evening Worship

Opening Prayer

† Hymn of Praise #375, All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon – Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan Daniel 8:1-15
“The Ram and the Goat”

1. A Ram

2. A Goat

3. The Trampling of the Temple

† Hymn of Preparation #254, Let All Things Now Living

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

† Psalm of Response #33, With Joy Let us Sing to the Lord

† Benediction