



COVENANT

Bible-Presbyterian Church

Preaching Christ for His Glory and His Kingdom

Order of Worship — 7 June 2015

Theme for the Year: "Out of Myself and into the Savior" (Ezekiel 14:4-6)

Prelude	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>
Call to Worship	
*Opening Hymn	28 - <i>Holy God, We Praise Thy Name</i>
*Invocation & † <i>Gloria Patri</i>	
Responsive Reading	Psalm 112
The Lord's Supper	
Hymn	128 - <i>Wounded for Me</i>
Hymn	TP 112
Tithes & Offering	
*† <i>Doxology</i> & Offertory Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Galatians 2:15-21
Hymn	466 - <i>Christ Liveth in Me</i>
Confession of Faith & Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	"Justified by Faith"
*Closing Hymn	126 - <i>Rock of Ages</i>
*Benediction & † <i>Threefold Amen</i>	
Silent Prayer & Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>
Announcements	† <i>Inside cover of hymnal</i>

**Congregation standing*

Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church meets every Sunday at 3:00 pm
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Hymns Born from Anguish

Many hymns were born from anguish and trial. This follows in the grand tradition of the Psalms as well. David wrote many of his Psalms in his times of sorrow and trials.

A famous one was *It Is Well with My Soul*. Here are others which are less well-known. These teach us that God's people can indeed find peace and strength in God during times of anguish.

May these testimonies, written by Connie Ruth Christiansen, give you insight in your times of trials. ~ Pastor

Standing on the Promises

Russell Kelso Carter (1849-1928) was a star athlete of a military academy and an excellent student academically, who went on to be a successful teacher and coach.

He then spent several years as an ordained Methodist minister, after which he went to medical school. He spent the last of his professional years as a doctor of medicine.

Carter was also a musician and songwriter. In 1886, he co-edited *Songs of Perfect Love* with John Sweney (1837-1899), who wrote the music for such beloved songs as *Beulah Land* and *Fill Me Now*. This hymnbook included Carter's most famous hymn, *Standing on the Promises*.

Although Carter was a professed Christian most of his life, it wasn't until a crisis with his natural heart that he began to understand the reality and power of Bible promises.

At age 30, his health was in critical condition and the physicians could do no more for him. Carter turned to God for help and healing.

He knelt and made a promise that healing or no, his life was finally and

forever, fully consecrated to the service of the Lord.

It was from that moment that the written Word of God became alive to Carter. He began to stand upon the promises of healing, determining to believe no matter what his physical condition, no matter how he felt.

Over the course of the next several months his strength returned, and his heart was completely healed! Carter lived another healthy 49 years.

The hymn Carter had written several years before his healing miracle became more than words and music to him. *Standing on the Promises* became an integral part of his life.

Nearer My God to Thee

Nearer My God to Thee was written by British actress, dramatic poet and hymn writer Sarah Flower Adams (1805-1848). Her sister Eliza wrote the original music. Several versions of melody have emerged over the years.

After Adams' performance in London's 1837 MacBeth, she received rave reviews. Her desire was to continue with the theatre indefinitely, but frail health interrupted her plans. And so she took to writing poems and hymns.

A pastor from the church was visiting with Adams' family one afternoon. He mentioned that he was having difficulty finding a hymn that represented his next week's sermon, taken from on Genesis 28:11-19 (The story of Jacob's dream). Sarah volunteered to write a hymn for the occasion. Within the week, *Nearer My God to Thee* was born.

The beautiful hymn has touched many lives, and has even found its way into the (modern) theatre that Adams so dearly loved.

The song has been sung and/or played in several TV and Hollywood films, including the Academy Award-winning films *San Francisco* (1936), and *Titanic* (1953, 1958, 1997).

One true life Canadian survivor of the 1912 RMS Titanic tragedy reported that the band did indeed play *Nearer My God to Thee* as the ship was sinking.

My Testimony

God is awesome! Ephesians 3:20 - *"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."*

Four weeks ago, I was bleeding unusually after a medical procedure I had undergone. Being at night, the doctor did a house call. Fifteen minutes later, the ambulance was at our door, sooner than expected. I was not ready so I kept them waiting; that was embarrassing!

Twenty minutes later, I was under the best care in the hospital. Upon discharge 2 days later, much to my surprise and delight, I found that all the treatment I had received in this incident are all covered. Free of charge!

Australia is a blessed country, a land endowed with plenty - milk and honey, and gold in the ground waiting to be picked by prospectors. May God continue to bless this beautiful country and the people. I am truly grateful and thankful for God's provision and healing. It's through His grace that my family and I are able to call Australia home. I love Australia, but I ❤️❤️❤️ God lots more. To You alone be the glory, El Shaddai! ~ Jesslyn Leow



Westminster Confession of Faith XXIX - Of the Lord's Supper

1. Our Lord Jesus, in the night wherein He was betrayed, instituted the sacrament of His body and blood, called the Lord's Supper, to be observed in His Church, unto the end of the world, for the perpetual remembrance of the sacrifice of Himself in His death; the sealing all benefits thereof unto true believers, their spiritual nourishment and growth in Him, their further engagement in and to all duties which they owe unto Him; and, to be a bond and pledge of their communion with Him, and with each other, as members of His mystical body.¹
2. In this sacrament, Christ is not offered up to His Father; nor any real sacrifice made at all, for remission of sins of the quick or dead;² but only a commemoration of that one offering up of Himself, by Himself, upon the cross, once for all: and a spiritual oblation of all possible praise unto God, for the same:³ so that the popish sacrifice of the mass (as they call it) is most abominably injurious to Christ's one, only sacrifice, the alone propitiation for all the sins of His elect.⁴

1. 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; 10:16-17, 21; 12:13.

2. Hebrews 9:22, 25-26, 28.

3. 1 Corinthians 11:24-26; Matthew 26:26-27.

4. Hebrews 7:23-24, 27; 10:11-12, 14, 18.

Worship Service Roster

Service	This Week (7.6.15)	Next Week (14.6.15)
Speaker	Ron Nugent	Jim Gibbon
Worship Leader	Jimmy Orchard	Chris Budiman
Pianist	Elizabeth Huang	Eugene Lim
Welcomers	Danny & Susie Tan	Kim & Jesslyn Leow
Offering Stewards	Paul Butler, David Lim	Kim Leow, Yen Fye Yap
Usher	Merilyn Woo	Jesslyn Leow
Kitchen Duties	Mary Loh*, Vincent Chiu, Jemima Ng, Grace Wang	Aliza Chiu*, Maryanne Chan, Ken Hong
<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	<i>10 June 2015</i>	<i>17 June 2015</i>
Speaker	Jimmy Orchard	Raymond Woo
Chairperson	Johnson Lim	Ken Chong
Pianist	Jerome Ng	Wendy Gong

Announcements

1. A warm welcome to all worshippers. May God richly bless you. Please stay behind after the service for fellowship and tea.
2. Next week's message: "Our Redemption - Our Response" (Hebrews 9:11-10:39). The messenger is Jim Gibbon, former pastor of ABC.
3. Sunday School teachers for the month of June are: Stephanie Lim, Jenni Budiman, Aliza Chiu, Lisa Lim; Evelyn Lee, Dorcas Pang; Grace Lee; Wendy Gong; David Ong; Jabez Huang, Ken Chong. Singspiration Leader: Joyce & Jemima Ng. Pianist: Jerome Ng.
4. Please submit your building fund pledges in the offering bag by today.
5. Adult Bible Class is in recess. It will start again on 21 June.
6. Pastor will be overseas for ministry from 5 to 19 June 2015. Worshippers who require pastoral care can call on Mr Philip Gardiner at 0459 693 339.
7. From 10 July 2015, Prayer Meeting will shift to Fridays at 7:45 pm.

Appointments for the Week	Last Lord's Day Tithes & Offering, & Attendance
WED 7:45 pm Prayer Meeting - Psalm 113 FRI 7:45 pm JF, YPG, Parents' Group SAT 8:00 pm Men's Bible Study SUN 2:00 pm Catechism Class 3:00 pm Worship & Sunday School	<i>General Fund - \$3,120.50 (#479 - \$350.00). Missions Fund - \$350.00. Building Fund - \$38,155.00 (#228 - \$1,500.00, #229 - \$105.00, #230 - \$3,000.00, #231 - \$2,000.00, #232 - \$500.00, #233 - \$1,000.00, #234 - \$50.00, #235 - \$30,000). Total Tithes & Offering - \$41,625.50. Attendance - 132.</i>

Building Fund to Date		
Starting Fund	\$54,185.68	Building Fund Account:
Pledges Collected	\$32,155.00	Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church
Non-Pledged Gifts	\$53,430.00	(Westpac Bank, Applecross)
<i>Total Building Fund</i>	<i>\$139,770.68</i>	BSB: 036-031 Acct: 316969
<i>Outstanding Pledges</i>	<i>\$268,065.00</i>	SWIFT: WPACAU2S

Elders: **Mark Chen (Pastor)** 0415 932 373. **Jimmy Orchard** 0413 274 407.
 Deacons: **Ken Chong** 0402 553 313. **LH Chua** 0435 601 373. **Terence Lee** 0418 845 617. **Johnson Lim** 0402 145 682. **SK Loh** 9386 1660.