

COVENANT CHURCH OF THOMASTON

*Passionately Pursuing Jesus
Sacrificially Serving Our Neighbor*



April 27, 2025
Worship 10:00 am
“What Matters”
Psalm 50:7-15 and Leviticus 27:30

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Our mission

***is to go and be living evidence of God's love
by the transforming power of his forgiveness and grace.***

PRELUDE Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant

WELCOME AND LIFE TOGETHER

CALL TO WORSHIP Good, Good Father

Well, I've heard a thousand stories
of what they think you're like,
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night,
And you tell me that you're pleased
And that I'm never alone.

(chorus) You're a good, good Father;
It's who you are; it's who you are; it's who you are,
And I'm loved by you;
It's who I am; it's who I am; it's who I am.

Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide,
But I know we're all searching For answers only you provide,
'Cause you know what we need
Before we say a word. *(chorus)*

(bridge) 'Cause you are perfect in all of your ways;
You are perfect in all of your ways;
You are perfect in all of your ways to us. *(repeat bridge)*

Oh, it's love so undeniable, I, I can hardly speak,
Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think,
As you call me deeper still; as you call me deeper still;
As you call me deeper still into love, love, love.

(chorus) (chorus)

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Be Praised

(chorus) From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same,
Let the name of the Lord be praised!
Both now and forevermore,
all of heaven and earth proclaim,
“Let the name of the Lord be praised!”

Come now, all you children, open up your eyes.
Where two or more are gathered, his presence will abide.
Lift your voice to heaven. There's only one to glorify:

Jesus Christ (*chorus*)

Come now, all you sinners, lay your burdens down
At the feet of Jesus, where mercy can be found.
In beautiful surrender, we're singing here on holy ground.
How sweet the sound. (*chorus*)

(*chorus tag*) Let the name of the Lord be praised!

(*bridge*) Be praised, King Jesus!
Be praised for your goodness!
For all that you've done be praised!
Be praised in the highest; be praised for your kindness!
Let the name of the Lord be praised!

(*half chorus*) From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same
Let the name of the Lord be praised!
(*chorus and key change*^)

(*chorus tag*) Let the name of the Lord be praised!
Let the name of the Lord be praised!

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***PRAYER OF ADORATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER** (debts, debtors)

HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD Rebecca DeLotto
Psalm 104:27-35

Leader:
All creatures look to you
to give them their food at the proper time.

Congregation:
When you give it to them,
they gather it up;

Leader:
When you open your hand,
they are satisfied with good things.

Congregation:
When you hide your face,
they are terrified;

Leader:
When you take away their breath,
they die and return to the dust.

Congregation:
When you send your Spirit,
they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.

Leader:
May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works —

Congregation
He who looks at the earth, and it trembles,
who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

Leader:
I will sing to the Lord all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Congregation
May my meditation be pleasing to him,
as I rejoice in the Lord.

Leader:
But may sinners vanish from the earth
and the wicked be no more.

Congregation
Praise the Lord, my soul.

Leader:
Praise the Lord.
This is the word of the Lord.

Congregation:
Thanks be to God!

Hymn #58

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

**OFFERING – GIVE AS THE LORD LEADS YOU, WITH OPEN HANDS
AND ALL YOUR HEART**

Offertory: Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

SPECIAL MUSIC

Christ Is Enough

SERMON

Pastor Stephanie Nelson

“What Matters”

Psalms 50:7-15 and Leviticus 27:30

SENDING SONG

Goodness, Love, and Mercy

(congregation sings **bold**)

Oh Lord, you're my Shepherd.

You make me lie in fields of green.

You lead me by the still waters.

You restore righteousness to me.

Though I walk through the valley,

I will fear no evil thing,

For you are with me, (God), and you comfort me.

(chorus) Surely goodness, love, and mercy

Will follow wherever I go.

Surely goodness, love, and mercy

Will follow wherever I go.

Surely goodness, love and mercy

Will follow wherever I go.

(key change ↑ and repeat from top)

(post-chorus) Yeah! Wherever I go, wherever I go.

Surely goodness, and mercy

(bridge) I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

I said I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever,

Wherever I go (chorus)

(repeat first verse)

(verse tag) For you are with me, God,

and you comfort me.

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***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** Tricia Dunn Oporto and Brenda Tousignant

• TODAY

9:00 am Sunday School / D/C

10:00 am Worship

Nursery: *Courtney Ayer* / Screen Monitor: *Peggy Schwetz*

• TODAY, CONTINUED

11:15 am Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Room)

• THIS WEEK

Mon. 10:30 am 39ers Study (Fellowship Room)
6:30 pm Tres Dias Secretariat (Fellowship Room)
7:00 pm Zoom Prayer
Tue. 9:30 am Women's Study (Conference Room)
5:00 pm Prayer (church office)
Wed. 6:30 pm NA (Fellowship Room)
Thur. 7:30 pm NA Subcommittee (Gathering Room)
Fri. 6:00 pm Crafty Fridays (Potter's House)
Sat. 8:30-12:00 Tres Dias Women's Team (Fellowship)
9:30 am WM Outing to Elizabeth Park
Sun. 9:00 am Sunday School / D/C
10:00 am Worship
7:30 pm M&E Board (Zoom)

- **THE MAY CALENDAR** is available in the wings and in the Narthex.
- **ZOOM PRAYER:** Join us on Monday nights, 7:00-7:30 pm, to pray. Contact Jessica Bedosky or Ruth Johnson (cmouse@covchurchhomaston.org) for the Zoom link.
- **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP AFTER WORSHIP** is hosted by the boards (CE, M&E, Trustees and Diaconate), Women Ministries, and the Social Committee. Each group hosts two months per year. If you want to sign up to host a particular Sunday, a clipboard is on the Kitchen counter. Food and beverages are provided by the church, so only setup, serving, and cleanup are needed.
- **WM OUTING:** Next Saturday, May 3, we will visit Elizabeth Park to view the tulips, followed by lunch. Meet at the church to leave at 9:30 am. Sign up in the Potter's House. Contact: Martha Tillow.
- **INSTEAD OF ZUMBA:** Coming in May on Mondays – Walking Nystroms' track at 6:30 pm, weather permitting. Contact: Peggy Schwetz.
- **NIGHT OF HOPE** at the Opera House: Several Thomaston churches and their Worship Teams will join together on

Friday night, May 30, at 7:00 pm to worship and sing and raise funds for the Town Pantry. Contact: Glenn Hafele.

- **BENEVOLENCE NEEDS:** Small envelopes are in the pews so you can contribute to help those who need basic necessities. If you have a benevolence need, contact Pastor Stephanie (pastor@covchurchthomaston.org or 860-283-9146) or John Butkevich or Linda Lawrence.

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- **GIVING MADE EASY:** Give online in two minutes. Opt for one time, weekly or monthly donations. Open the camera app on your phone and scan the QR Code, which takes you to the Giving Page on our website.

- **BANQUET OF BLESSING**

- Need, solid white tuna, Chef Boyardee beef ravioli, lasagna, Spaghettios, canned green beans, creamed corn, mixed vegetables, granola bars/other snacks, paper towels, toilet paper.
- No perishable foods. Check expiration dates. We don't give away out-of-date food.

- **SERMON NOTES: "What Matters" Psalm 50:7-15 and Leviticus 27:30**

- 1) Empty Rituals
- 2) None the Richer
- 3) Faith That Acts