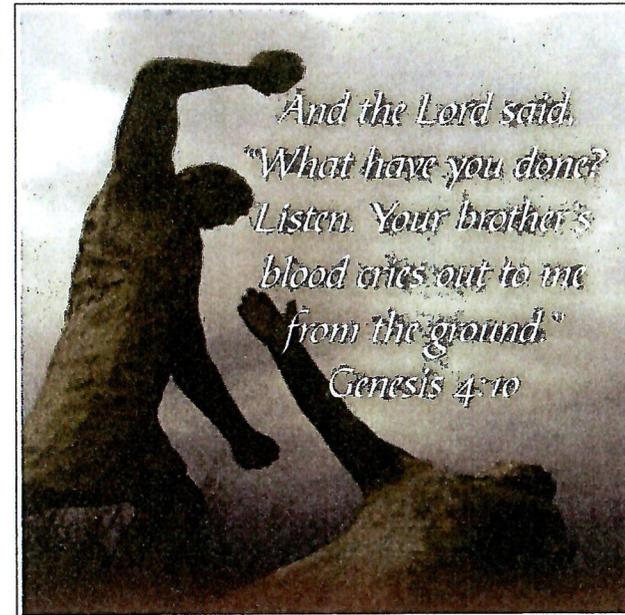


Abel: He Gave God His Best

(Welcome the Hall of Faith: Hebrews 11 & Certain People of Certain Hope #1)
Hebrews 11:1-40; Genesis 4:1-10; Matthew 23:33-39)

- A. The Blood of Abel asks some important questions...
- B. The Life of Abel provides an ancient model for living by faith that continues to speak profoundly up to the present day...
- C. The perfect life, bloody death and amazing resurrection of Jesus Christ does three things of great value for us today...
1. Answers the questions of Abel's blood crying out from the ground
 2. Vindicates Abel's life of faith
 3. Compels us to follow Abel's example

Additional notes:



By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. – Hebrews 11:4

Covenant Presbyterian Church
of
Reno, Nevada
March 1, 2026

Service for Communion Sunday

March 1, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. – Hebrews 12:22-24

We Come to God, the Judge of All, in Worship

Prelude Eric Kao, piano
Welcome and Church Family News Pastor Jay Hull
Call to Worship Psalm 16 (*hymnal, p.788*) Jenny McNeely

We Worship Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant

***Songs of Praise** Samuel Dueñas & the CPC Praise Band
“Savior of the World” and “Mighty to Save”
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***Time of Greeting**
Children’s Prayer Time Katie Guerrero

As the Assembly of the Firstborn, We Confess Our Sin

**Prayer of Confession, Word of Assurance
& Gloria Patri (#734)**

Time of Offering

Anthem “At the Cross – Redman Covenant Choir
***Doxology (#731) & Prayer of Thanksgiving**

God’s Word Tells Us of the Blood that Speaks a Better Word

***Hymn of Preparation:** “Take My Life, and Let It Be” #585

Scripture Readings: Hebrews 12:22-24; 11:1-40;
Genesis 4:1-10; Matthew 23:33-36

Message: *Abel: He Gave God His Best* Pastor Jay
*(Welcome to the Hall of Faith:
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The Lord’s Table Offers a Better Word than the Blood of Abel

***Unison Affirmation** The Apostles’ Creed (Hymnal p.845)

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

We Go Forth as Citizens of the City of The Living God

***Charge & Benediction**

***Congregational Response / Closing Hymn** #32
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

* indicates to stand if you are able