# LIVE STREAMING

CCPC live streams worship services every Sunday morning. Please join us in spirit by going to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/live-stream. You can give, fill out a Connection Card, and also view archives of past services and sermons all from the comfort of your home.

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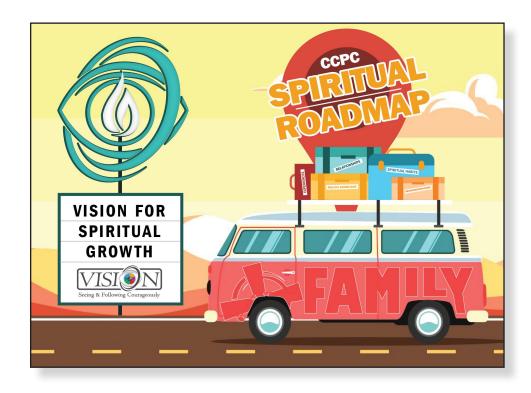






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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 - 10 A.M. ·

VISION FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH: EXPERIENCES

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy" Les Fraaza

#### Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

Scripture challenges us to walk by faith, not by sight; to see the world through the eyes of Christ. What present, and future, does Jesus see when looking at our world? At your life? Where does God's vision compliment or conflict with the dreams you have for yourself, or the expectations others have for you? Prayerfully reflect this morning on how you might come to see God's vision with greater clarity.

#### Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles:

Call to Worship: Exodus 33:17-19

I will do the very thing that you have asked;,

For you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.

Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said,

I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD.'"

\*Hymn: "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" (vs. 1,2,3) #354

#### \*Call to Confession:

In the midst of the worst our world can offer, Jesus speaks these simple words: "Do not fear. Only believe." But our fears, sins, and lack of faith often keep us from experiencing God's goodness. Let us together turn away from those patterns and towards the power of Christ.

### \*Prayer of Confession:

Too often, O Lord, the experiences of sin and fear keep us from experiencing you. You tell us to taste and see that you are good, but we often settle for spiritual junk food. You tell us that you will satisfy our souls, but we compromise with lesser things that leave us empty and longing for more.

Jesus, today we again turn away from false promises, fear, and selfishness, and towards you. Show up in our lives in extraordinary ways. Give us the faith to trust in you, and help our unbelief, so that we can experience your goodness.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

#### \*Assurance of Pardon:

Matthew 25:21

"The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers

### BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—The men begin a new study of the Minor Prophets *THIS* Tuesday, October 26 at noon. All are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and discipleship.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**—Celebrate Recovery is a Bible-centered recovery ministry that meets at the church (Bouldin Hall) *EVERY Tuesday* at 7pm. It is for those looking for healing and restoration from addiction, depression, anger, abuse, grief, and any other form of heavy burden. C.R. is a safe, discrete, loving group that can walk beside you throughout this process of growth. Meetings are open to anyone! Please contact Drew Bouché (*drew@covenantcommunitypc.org*) with any questions.

**READING THROUGH THE BIBLE TOGETHER - PRAYER PRACTICE**—Our online group is continuing a study focused on *21 days of prayer practice!* We want all to learn to pray more like the heroes of Scripture; this group devotional will help us do that by literally selecting 21 prayers from the Bible on the YouVersion Bible app! You can join at any time by downloading the app and using this link (or using this link on your desktop):

https://bible.com/p/46156209/656608faace171d7a67e5bdc497d56ad Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions. Note: Starting November 1, our daily plan will be "Thirty Days of Thanksgiving and Worship." Stay tuned for more details!

### YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

**TEACHER/FAMILY BREAKFAST**— We will be having a wonderful time of fellowship and food before service *NEXT* Sunday, October 31 for all of our I.D. and L.I.F.E. attendees and their families! Join us at 9am in the Fellowship Hall to eat, meet and greet with your kid's I.D. and L.I.F.E. teachers and leaders, including all youth and Confirmands. What a great way to meet new people, learn about our kid's and student's discipleship, and eat some great food before we worship!

**SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP**—Students who are in 6th through 8th grades gather on Wednesdays at 6pm for Salt & Light Youth Group, including *THIS* Wednesday, October 27. Our 9th through 12th graders meet on Sunday nights at 6pm, including *TONIGHT*. Both groups are studying the Book of James in a series entitled, "Faith That Works." Spread the word and invite friends as we kickoff a new year of being salt of the earth and light unto the world! Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

#### PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS FOR OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

- Breakfast October 31
- New I.D. Class in Cry Room Nov. 7
- New Bible App. Plan Nov. 1
- Commitment Sunday Nov. 14
- Wrapped In Warmth Nov. 4,5
- Hearts of Hope Kickoff Nov. 14

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2022</u> — Commitment Sunday is November 14th this year! You can bring your pledge card to church that Sunday (keep an eye on your mailbox in coming days), or fill one out online beforehand, and we will place all our commitments on the Lord's Table together. Note that there is more information on our website about the campaign, our 2022 budget, and how to pledge or give online. Simply go to: <a href="https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give.">https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give.</a> Contact Jim Gates (<a href="mailto:jim@covenantcommunitypc.org">jim@covenantcommunitypc.org</a>) with any questions.

MORTGAGE MATCHING GIFT— We have been blessed with a \$45,000 matching gift challenge, all of which will go towards our mortgage on the sanctuary and CE wing from 2008. All donations of any size qualify for this match! If we can complete this entire match before December 31, we will completely pay off our mortgage this year! We raised just over \$16,000 in September and are 1/3 of the way to our goal! To donate, simply put "mortgage match" on your check or give online to the matching gift fund.

KID'S & ADULT L.I.F.E. EVERY WEDNESDAY—Our Kid's and adult L.I.F.E. classes continue EVERY WEDNESDAY at 6pm (Kid's L.I.F.E. will run until 7:30pm). Plan for weekly discipleship for the whole family on Wednesday nights, continuing THIS WEEK, October 27 with dinner (BBQ night: sloppy joe, veggies, chips, and desserts) at 5:30pm. You can pay for your meals (\$7/adults \$5/kids; 8-meal packages available) when you arrive, or on our website at: www.covenantcommunitypc.org/payments. Adults are starting a new format that will include 10-15 minutes of teaching followed by small group discussion for the remaining time. We will be diving into the G.O.S.P.E.L. Join us any time and check out our website to view previous classes!

COLLEGE/TECH STUDENT GIFT CARDS—Parents of sons or daughters attending college or tech school: The Deacons would like to remember your young adults during the upcoming Christmas season by sending them a small gift. We want them to know their church family is prayerfully thinking of them! Please contact Ken Zblewski (715-393-5885 or kenzblewski@yahoo.com) with your student's mailing address. Thank you from the Deacons!

#### MISSIONS

**REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT COMMITTEE**— Our CCPC Mission Committee has formed a sub-committee to explore sponsoring a refugee family. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org), Ruth Wrysinski (715-409-0582 or trwry@charter.net), Joanne Lapinske (715-573-5556 or hostmomjo@yahoo.com), or Lynda Reis (773-351-8980 or mybana@yahoo.com) as soon as possible.

WRAPPED IN WARMTH OPEN HOUSES—Our Wrapped in Warmth Open Houses will be from 5-9pm on Thursday, November 4 and Friday, November 5. This is when we meet with our Hearts of Hope families and provide them with new winter clothes as needed. If you would like to volunteer, contact Sarah Luedtke at 715-574-1345 or sluedtke@sluedtke. Note: Hearts of Hope adoption begins November 14. More information to come!

them. O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him." Jesus delivers us and delivers goodness to us; thanks be to Him! **Amen**.

\*Gloria Patri

**Bible Sunday Presentation** 

Period of Fellowship

\*Hymn: "Though I May Speak" (vs. 1,2)

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# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 33:12-23 Page 80

Special Music: "How Great is Our God" CCPC Choir

New Testament Reading: Luke 8:49-56 Page 68

Sermon: Vision for Spiritual Growth: Experiences Jim Gates

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*Hymn: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (vs. 1,2,3) #700

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Moment for Stewardship

Offering

Offertory Music: "Defender" Caroline Kibler

\*Doxology

**Welcome of New Member:** Joyce Tuttle - Joyce was born and raised in Chicago, IL, but moved to Central Wisconsin with her husband, Walter, who was originally from Tomahawk. After raising her children, she went back to school to become a Computer Programmer (back in the days of DOS), and worked for Northcentral Healthcare for many years. Joyce has 3 children (the youngest being CCPC member Tina Neuendank), 5 grandchildren, and 1 greatgrandchild. When she is not visiting with family, she loves to design birthday cards on her computer! An interesting fact about Joyce is that she is a twin!

\*Welcome Song: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" (vs. 1) #306

# BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction: "Though I May Speak" (vs. 3) #693

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# WELCOME TO COVENANT COMMUNITY!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us and sincerely hope you get a blessing from the service. Some notes to help you be more comfortable during the service:

- † Please participate in congregational responses (bold)
- † Please stand as able, as marked with an asterisk \*
- † Please fill out the Connection Card insert.
- † Feel free to use the Cry Room (you will be able to see & hear the service) and/or Nursery located across from the sanctuary

# HOW TO JOIN THIS CHURCH

The officers and members of CCPC welcome all persons who wish to respond to the Lordship of Jesus Christ by confessing or reaffirming their Christian Faith or by transferring their membership. We invite you to accept this invitation if you do not have a church home. Please speak with Jim Gates or Drew Bouché, note your interest on the Connection Card, or phone the church office (715) 359-6467. You are welcome here!

# OUR AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

#### THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# 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 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.

### WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS/PERFORMERS

Thank you to all who make this morning's worship meaningful!

Worship Leader: Deb Tice

Readings: Josh Finamore

Acolytes: Lucas & Page Mathies

Elder Greeter: Jay St. Clair

The Hub: Terri Goldsworthy

Live Stream: Jared Fuls

Slides: Michelle Zblewski

Gatekeeper: Bill Rhodes

Greeters: CCPC Youth Fellowship Hour: Dawn Rowland

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following folks who were recently in the hospital or reside in an assisted-care facility.

Tom Scott
(Home)

Dee Jenkins
(Home)

(Home)

Cheryl Lenz

Don Hawkins
(Home)

(Colonial Center in Colby)

# THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
9AM I.D. 10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM FELLOWSHIP 6PM HS YOUTH GROUP	6:30PM BOOK CLUB 7PM DARTBALL	NOON MEN'S BIBLE STUDY  7PM CELEBRATE RECOVERY	3PM FOOD PANTRY 5:30PM DINNER 6PM KID'S/ADULT L.I.F.E. 6PM MS YOUTH GROUP 6PM KID'S CHOIR PRACT. 6PM BELL CHOIR PRACT. 7PM CHOIR PRACTICE
THURSDAY 2PM SHEEPSHEAD	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY  9AM I.D.  9AM LEADERSHP BREAKFAST  10AM WORSHIP  11:15AM FELLOWSHIP 6PM HS YOUTH GROUP

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