

### VISITORS WELCOME

If you are a 1st time visitor, welcome, and we have a gift for you! See the table in the Narthex by the church office, or visit The Hub to get your copy. We hope you find this book informative and inspiring. See you next week!

### FREE BIBLES

CCPC has free Bibles for anyone who would like one. If you don't currently have a Bible, or if your only Bible is ancient, we would like to give you this gift, no questions asked! Pick up your copy at The Hub!

### LIVE STREAMING

CCPC live streams our worship services every Sunday morning. Please join us in spirit by going to [www.covenantcommunitypc.org/live-stream](http://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/live-stream). You can also view archives of past services and sermons.

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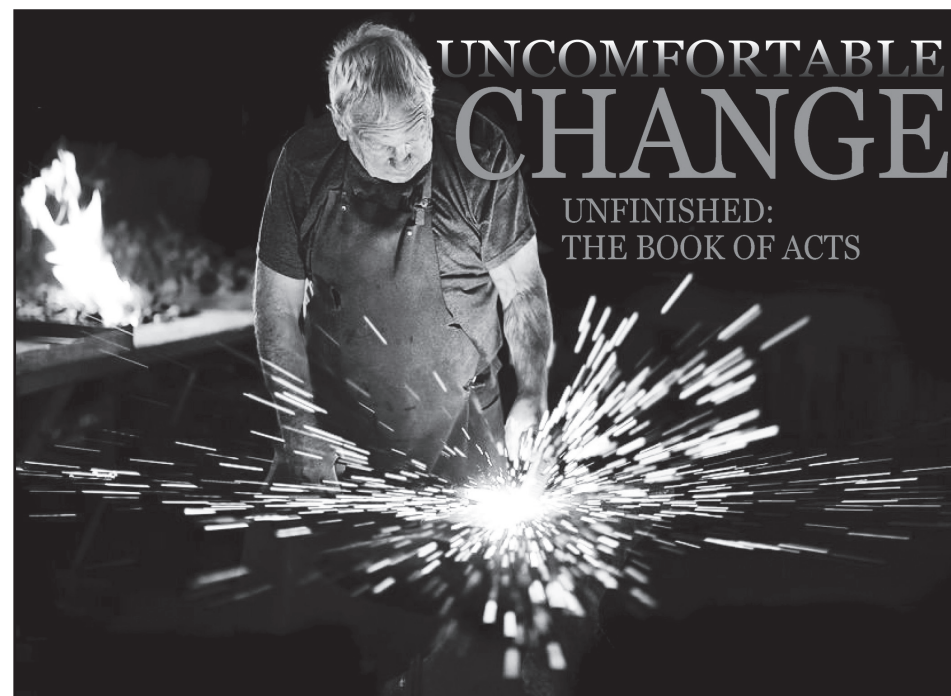
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# COVENANT COMMUNITY

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...  
**Changing lives forever!**



— SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 - 10:00 A.M. —

UNCOMFORTABLE CHANGE:  
ARROWS POINTING TO GOD

**Covenant Community Presbyterian Church**  
**1806 Weston Avenue in Schofield, WI**  
**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - 10 a.m.**  
**Uncomfortable Change: Arrows Pointing to God**

**Gathering Around the Word**

**Prelude:** "Church (Take Me Back)" Deb Perrin

**Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:**

*This year we will read through the Book of Acts together, considering how the story of the early church might shape and guide our own congregation's story. Like Acts itself, we are Unfinished. Study this week's Acts passage and note the additional readings for the week in the Unfinished brochure or on our website.*

**Announcements** VISITORS: Please fill out a connection card found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

**Lighting of the Candles:** "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" Kent & Deb Perrin

**Call to Worship:** Acts 14:15-17

*We bring you good news, that you should turn from worthless things to the living God*

**Who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them.**

*He has not left himself without a witness in doing good -*

**Giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filling you with food and your hearts with joy.**

*Let us worship the living God,*

**Who in Christ lived and died and rose again.**

**\*Hymn:** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" (vs. 1,2,3) #1

**\*Call to Confession:**

*As the crowds in Lystra shifted dramatically from praising Paul to condemning him, and as the crowds in Jerusalem did the same for Jesus, so too we shift from faithfulness to folly and service to sin. Let us therefore confess our sins and reaffirm our commitment to our God.*

Sale 2020! Join us for incredible deals on name-brand, new shoes so generously donated! Friday, March 6 (5-7pm), shoes are \$25 (3 pairs for \$60), with boots running \$45 a pair. On Saturday, March 7 (during the auction from 4-7:30pm), shoes are \$10, with boots running at \$30 a pair. Spread the word and bring the whole family (sizes are limited).

**CAR RIDES TO COVENANT**—CCPC wants everyone to be able to worship with us on Sunday mornings, including those unable to drive. If you are in need of a lift to and from worship, or would like to participate in providing this service, please consider signing up for "Car Rides to Covenant" at The Hub. If you have any questions about this service group, please contact Bill Rhodes at 715-803-0025 or billrhodes6514@gmail.com.

**RESTOCKING HEARTS OF HOPE**—Have some Kohl's Cash or TJ Maxx dollars you don't intend to use? Maybe you love shopping and would like to do it for one of our biggest ministries! We are in need of waterproof gloves and mittens (all sizes), as well as double-layer knit hats, and underwear (all sizes) to help restock our Hearts of Hope ministry for next year! Please contact Sarah Luedtke (sluedtke@sluedtke.com) with any questions.

**BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH**—Our women's Bible study and lunch continues *THIS* Tuesday, February 18 at 12pm, and continues every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are spending the year studying the Book of Revelation with lunch being served each week. Please bring \$5 to help cover the cost if you plan on eating. Contact Jim Gates with questions!

**YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY**

**SERVING IN KIDS MINISTRY**—There are three new ways you can be involved in Children's Ministry without having to teach a lesson or commit a lot of time! *Crazy About Crafts*: Help preparing crafts and activities for children's programming. *GO to Gamer*: Leading and organizing games for Kids Worship. Great for someone with high energy, an athlete or student. *Drama, Drama, Drama*: Organizing and performing skits for Kids Worship. Please contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) for more details.

**SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP**—Salt and Light Youth Group continues *THIS* Wednesday, February 19 at 6pm in Bouldin Hall for all 6th through 12th grade students. Don't come alone; invite your friends to experience it with you! If you have any questions, please contact Dan Frost at dan@covenantcommunitypc.org.

**DYSTOPIAN NIGHT**—Join us for a unique, Leap Year night (February 29, 6-8pm) in which we will seek the truth when life's events get difficult and push us out of our comfort zone. Come and enjoy solving a puzzle of who to trust and who to side with! All middle school and high school students are welcome participate! Please contact Dan Frost for more details at dan@covenantcommunitypc.org.

**OTHER NEWS**

**BUY SCRIP-ORDERS DUE TODAY!**—All Kwik Trip placed this month provides a profit of 10% instead of 5%, plus an additional 5% for in-store purchases (non-gas). Stop by the Scrip table to learn more! Over 750-plus national merchants means so much to choose from! Find out more and get all your questions answered by seeing Pam Higgins (715-573-8067) or Kate Lillie (715-581-9666). *Delivery NEXT Sunday, February 23.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

**GATEKEEPER MEETING**— There will be a short, 15 minute meeting for all Gatekeepers in the Cry Room following worship.

**CLIMATE CHANGE PRESENTATION**— Emily Johnson will be sharing a presentation on Climate Change after worship *NEXT* Sunday, February 23. All are welcome to attend this approximately 30-minute session in the Bouldin Hall meeting room!

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**— February 26 is Ash Wednesday, the first day of the season of Lent, as we prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. Worship begins at 6pm and there will be a nursery for children two and under.

**INVITATION SUNDAY**— Please consider inviting a friend, coworker, neighbor, or family member to our service on Sunday, March 1 as we begin our new sermon series, "On the Road Again." Invitation cards for you to give will be handed out as you exit the sanctuary after worship *TODAY*, or *pick them up at The Hub!*

**LENTEN SMALL GROUPS**— Lenten Small Groups are back! These groups of 6-12 people will meet in homes or at church for conversation and Bible study, twice a month for two months. You can sign up on the back of the Connection Card, or at The Hub in February. Groups will launch in March. Please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) with questions.

**NEW MATCHING GIFT FOR CCPC!**— Don't forget about our new matching gift for \$25,000! Every new dollar given or pledged to reduce our mortgage will be matched with an additional dollar. This opportunity to double your gift will last until *February 28, 2020*. To give towards this matching gift, you can write a check to CCPC and simply put "Matching Gift" on the memo line. You can submit a new pledge on our website at <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give>.

## SERVICE AND MISSIONS

**PINE RIDGE, SD MISSION TRIP**— We're heading to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota from Saturday, July 25 through Saturday, August 1, 2020. This trip is open to youth and adults, with rising 6-8 graders needing a parent or guardian accompanying them. The cost is \$400 for adults and \$300 for youth. If you are interested in attending, please see the back of today's Connection Card to be contacted for further information. You can also pick up a registration form at The Hub. *Note that we need you to be signed up, with a \$100 deposit by Saturday, March 1!*

**UNDERSTANDING POVERTY PRESENTATION-TODAY!**— An "Understanding Poverty" presentation after worship *TODAY* in Bouldin Hall. Food and childcare will be provided. If you have any questions, please speak with Joanne Lapinske.

**FOOD PANTRY SHOPPERS NEEDED**— Volunteers are needed to pick up food orders from Aldi's and/or Dollar Tree and stock our shelves in the Food Pantry area. You can sign up for one or more months. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Gebauer (715-573-6477 or gebauerr@charter.net). *A sign up sheet is available at The Hub.*

**MISSION AUCTION & DINNER/SHOE SALE**— If you would like to contribute items or services to our 24th Annual Mission Auction and Dinner on March 7th, please see the table in the Narthex for a form. **Tickets for the dinner are now available at The Hub!** Adult cost is \$16, with children under 12 being \$7. Children 3 and under are FREE! *If you are able and willing to volunteer for the event, please see the back of today's Connection Card.* We'd also like to announce our Auction Shoe

### **\*Prayer of Confession:**

***Jesus, you know how easily we stray from a path of devotion to you. Our sins continually rear their ugly heads, and our desire to be at the center of our own lives leaves little room for you. Forgive us for the inconsistency of our faith.***

***Today, we are reminded of your good provision for us, and especially of your death-defying love. Strengthen us in faith, that we might live not for ourselves but rather in gratitude to you. Your kingdom come, Lord, your will be done, in us and in our world.***

*(We keep a moment of silence for reflection.)*

### **\*Assurance of Pardon:**

*Psalm 103:12-13*

***Here the good news: "As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him." Believe the gospel: through Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven! Thanks be to God.***

***Amen!***

### **\*Gloria Patri:**

#581

### **Children's Message:**

*[Children may come forward for a short lesson and prayer.]*

**\*\*NOTE** Children ages 2-3rd grade are invited to Kids Worship in the activity room downstairs. Parent pick up is required after worship. Kids in 4th grade and up will participate in main worship; there are activity bags or sermon notes in the Narthex.

**\*Period of Fellowship:** *Welcome one another as Christ welcomes you.*

### **\*Hymn:**

*"Blest Are They" (vs. 1,2,3,4)*

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*Please fill out top portion of the connection cards found in your bulletin*

<b>Proclaiming the Word</b>		
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<b>Old Testament:</b>	<i>1 Kings 10:23-27, 11:1-8</i>	<i>Page 315</i>
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<b>Special Music:</b>	<i>"Lead Me to the Cross"</i>	<i>Caroline Kibler</i>
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<b>New Testament:</b>	<i>Acts 14:8-28</i>	<i>Page 133</i>
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<b>Sermon:</b>	<i>Uncomfortable Change: Arrows Pointing to God</i>	<i>Jim Gates</i>
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## Responding to the Word

**\*Hymn:** "When Peace Like a River" (vs. 1,2,3) #840

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** Apostles 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.***

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Offering**

**Offertory Music:** "How Great Thou Art" Autumn Frost

**\*Doxology**

*Those participating in the Children's Choir are dismissed for practice.*

## Bearing and Following the Word into the World

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" #469

**Postlude:** "Happy Day" Kent & Deb Perrin

*Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for donuts, cookies, and coffee.*

## 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
- † Hearing devices are available in the orange box in the Narthex.

**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, note your interest on the Connection Card, or phone the church office (715) 359-6467. You are welcome here.

**THANK YOU**—to all who help make this morning's Worship and Fellowship meaningful: Worship Leader **Deb Tice**; Elder Greeters **Bob Warner & Jeff Gramling**; Gatekeeper **Larry Geurink**; Projection Team **Drew Bouché & Charlie Lewis**; Live Streaming Operator **Jim Bouché**; The Hub **Deb Bouché**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**—**Dorothy Swazee** (Mountain Terrace), **Bess Vick** (The Benedictine), **Charlotte Zyduck** (Home), **Cheryl Lenz** (Colby), **Dee Jenkins** (Home), **Greg Falkowski** (Home), **Tom Scott** (Home), and **Don Hawkins** (Home) were in the hospital recently or reside in assisted-care.

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>TODAY</b>	11:15 a.m.	Understanding Poverty Presentation Gatekeeper Meeting (Cry Room)
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Session Dartball (Home)
<b>Tuesday</b>	12:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study & Lunch
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Salt & Light Youth Group Bell Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Sheepshead
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Institute of Discipleship (I.D.) Worship Children's Choir Practice Climate Change Presentation (Bouldin Hall Meeting Room)