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. You can also view archives of past services and sermons.

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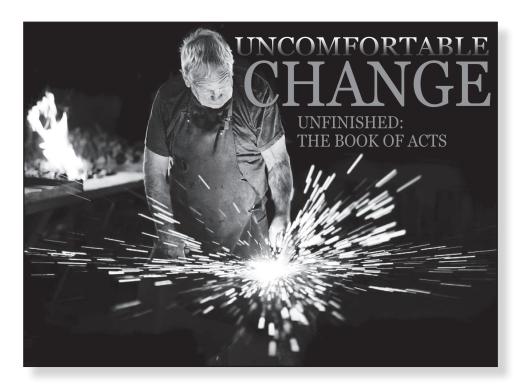
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.-

UNCOMFORTABLE CHANGE: UNCHANGING TRUTH

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church 1806 Weston Avenue in Schofield, WI

Sunday, February 2nd, 2020 - 10 a.m.

Uncomfortable Change: Unchanging Truth

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude: Chriss Altis

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:

Call to Worship:

Psalm 119:89-90, 93

The LORD exists forever:

Your word is firmly fixed in heaven.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations;

You have established the earth, and it stands fast.

I will never forget your precepts,

For by them you have given me life.

*Hymn: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1,2,3) #353

*Call to Confession:

Paul reminds us that the people of Jerusalem and their leaders did not recognize Jesus as Messiah or understand the words of the prophets written about him. Yet we too, even today, have been guilty of not seeing Jesus or understanding who He calls us to be. Let us therefore confess our sins together.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>— We are looking for volunteers who would like to be greeters on Sunday morning, or who would like to be a part of our funeral committee. *Please sign up at The Hub if interested.*

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. We'd also like to announce our Auction Shoe 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).

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH—Our women's Bible study and lunch continues *THIS* Tuesday, February 4 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

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP— Salt and Light Youth Group continues *THIS* Wednesday, February 5 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.

<u>PARENTS' NIGHT OUT!</u>—Need a couple hours of free time from the kiddos to enjoy a date with your Valentine? CCPC will be having a "Parents' Night Out" at the church on Friday, February 14 from 5:30-7:30pm. We will provide the childcare while you enjoy an evening together. You have fun... we'll take care of the rest. *A sign up sheet is located at The Hub!*

SNOW CAVES— We will have our family snow cave event beginning at 8am on Saturday, February 15. This is an overnight event, and you will need to contribute \$5 per person to cover the cost of three meals. You will need to bring many changes of clothes, warm pajamas, toe and hand warmers, a variety of tools for digging and sculpting, sleeping bags and pads, water bottles, and large tarps. We will be giving cave tours after church on Sunday, February 16, so please put your gear on after service if you wish to help as a guide. If you have any questions, please speak with Bob or Melanie Hocker (715-432-7081).

ATTENTION JR. AGENTS— There is still time to piece the puzzle together and we have some tools and incentives to help you out. First, look for the BONUS CLUE posted at your mail center in Bouldin Hall; and second, write more letters to collect more clues! We are offering a sweet treat to the Jr. Agent that guesses the number of candies in the jar, with each Agent being allowed only one guess. You earn ADDITIONAL GUESSES for each letter you have written to your Secret Agent. Please see a member of Mission Control to get your tickets, with the contest ending February 16!

OTHER NEWS

BUY SCRIP- LOVE IS IN THE AIR!— Stop by the Scrip table to see all of our offerings for a wonderful Valentine's Day! 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).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

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. We will offer small groups at a variety of times and days and if you need childcare, we have plans for that as well. You can signup on the back of the Connection Card in February, or visit the Hub and see what's available. Groups will launch in March.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING— Our annual congregational meeting will be held *TODAY* in the Sanctuary immediately following the worship service. We will vote on Jim Gates' terms of call, elect elders, deacons and nominating committee members, and receive our annual report.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT L.I.F.E.— Our Living In Faith Everyday (L.I.F.E.) classes for the winter will continue *THIS* Wednesday, February 5 12 at 6pm for all ages. Don't forget to join us for dinner at 5:30pm! If you have any questions, contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org).

NEW VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING SERVICE FOR CCPC!— If you serve as a volunteer on Sunday mornings or weekly programming, we invite you to go to **www.covenantcommunitypc.org/volunteer-services** and learn how to download and utilize this wonderful scheduling tool for our faith family! If you have any questions or issues as you get started, please contact Amanda Fuls (715-359-6467) or stop in to see her at church.

NEW MATCHING GIFT FOR CCPC!— We have received a 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. Alternatively, you can make a new donation on our website or submit a new pledge on our website at https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give.

SERVICE AND MISSIONS

PINE RIDGE, SD MISSION TRIP— CCPC is partnering with Wings As Eagles Ministries for our mission trip 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. If you are interested in attending, please see the back of today's Connection Card to be contacted for further information. Note that we need you to be signed up, with a \$100 deposit by Saturday, March 1!

<u>UNDERSTANDING POVERTY PROGRAM</u>— If you you are curious about what it means to be poor and how we are to understand and serve those who are, we are having an "Understanding Poverty" program after worship on Sunday, February 16 in Bouldin Hall. This presentation is put on by the staff from City on a Hill in Milwaukee and is appropriate for middle school-aged kids and up. Food and childcare will be provided. If you have any questions, please speak with Joanne Lapinske (715-573-5556). *Please sign up at The Hub if interested*.

FOOD PANTRY SHOPPERS NEEDED— Volunteers are needed to pickup 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.

*Prayer of Confession:

Lord God Almighty, we confess our spiritual blindness to you. You move and work in our midst, and we claim to see nothing. Jesus, our resurrected King, calls us to act, and we claim to hear nothing. The Spirit lives inside us and inspires us to compassion, and we claim to feel nothing. Forgive us for our hard hearts. Soften us again, with the unchanging story of the gospel, that we might open our eyes, ears, and hearts to the movement of your grace.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection.)

*Assurance of Pardon:

Acts 13:38-9

"Let it be known to you therefore, my brothers and sisters, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you; by this Jesus everyone who believes is set free from all those sins from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses." 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.

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

Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament: Psalm 119:89-96 Page 568

Special Music: "You Raise Me Up" Choir

New Testament: Acts 13:13-41 Page 132

Sermon: Uncomfortable Change: Unchanging Truth Jim Gates

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Responding to the Word

*Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" (vs. 1,2,5) #463

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Lord's Table and Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration 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 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.

Sharing of the Elements

(We celebrate "Open Communion" at CCPC which means ALL baptized believers here today are welcome to share in our Lord's Feast. Gluten free is available in the Narthex.)

Communion Music:

Chriss Altis

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory Music: Chriss Altis

*Doxology

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 4) #353

Postlude: Les Fraaza

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.

<u>THANK YOU</u>—to all who help make this morning's Worship and Fellowship meaningful: Worship Leader *Emily Johnson*; Elder Greeters *Kent Perrin & Sharon Maltbey*; *Gatekeeper Bill Rhodes*; Projection Team *Drew Bouché & Luke Coenen*; Live Streaming Operator *Derek Nelson*; The Hub *Deb Wakefield*

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u>—Sandra Vachowiak (Mount View Care Center), <u>Dorothy Swazee</u> (Mountain Terrace), <u>Bess Vick</u> (The Benedictine), <u>Cheryl Lenz</u> (Colby), <u>Dee Jenkins</u> (Home), <u>Greg Falkowski</u> (Home), <u>Tom Scott</u> (Home), and <u>Don Hawkins</u> (Home) were in the hospital recently or reside in assisted-care.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

| Today | 11:00 a.m. | Congregational Meeting |
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| - | 11:15 a.m. | CCPC 102 |
| Monday | 6:00 p.m. | W&F Committee Meeting |
| • | 6:30 p.m. | CE Committee Meeting |
| | • | Deacon's Meeting |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Dartball (Home) |
| Tuesday | 12:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study & Lunch |
| Wednesday | 5:30 p.m. | L.I.F.E. Dinner |
| | 6:00 p.m. | L.I.F.E. Classes |
| | | Salt & Light Youth Group |
| | | Bell Choir Practice |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Sheepshead |
| Friday | TBD | Milwaukee Mission Trip Departs |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Institute of Discipleship (I.D.) |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Worship |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Children's Choir Practice |
| | TBD | Milwaukee Mission Trip Returns |