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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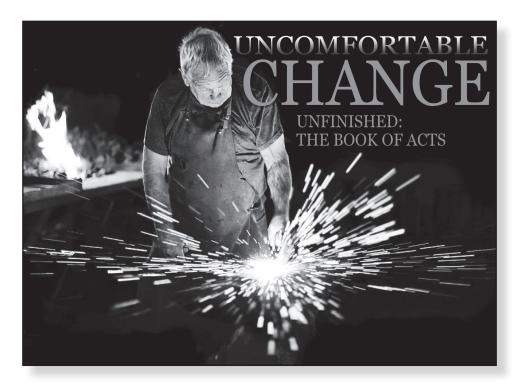
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.-

UNCOMFORTABLE CHANGE: FACING OPPOSITION

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church 1806 Weston Avenue in Schofield, WI Sunday, February 9th, 2020 - 10 a.m.

Uncomfortable Change: Facing Opposition

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: "Softly and Tenderly" Handbell Choir

Call to Worship: Acts 13:47

For so the Lord has commanded us. saving.

I have set you to be a light for the nations, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.

*Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" (vs. 1,3,4) #12

*Call to Confession: Luke 9:5

Jesus gave instructions to the disciples to leave towns that did not welcome them and to "shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them." As we make our confession together, may we shake off even the dust of our sins.

*Prayer of Confession:

Jesus, you experienced opposition throughout your entire earthly sojourn, from the violence of King Herod to the violence of Pontus

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! 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

<u>MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH</u>—Our men's Bible study and lunch continues *THIS* Tuesday, February 11 at 12pm, and continues every 2nd and 4th 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 12 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>DYSTOPIAN NIGHT</u>—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.

QUAKE YOUTH CONFERENCE—CCPC youth will be traveling to the Quake Conference in Wisconsin Dells from March 27-29. The cost to attend is \$100, and we are asking to have a \$25 deposit by March 1 to hold your spot. Visit our website and learn more about the event, as well as pay (https://covenantcommunitypc.org/guake-conference). If you have further guestions,

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT!—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 *THIS* 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!

please contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org).

SNOW CAVES— Venture Crew 450 will be having a family snow cave in the church parking lot and Fellowship Hall beginning at 9am *THIS* Saturday, February 15. This is an overnight event, and you will need to contribute \$5 per person to cover the cost of three meals. Please remember that this will take the majority of the day on Saturday and that your family is responsible for digging the cave that you will be sleeping in. Please speak with Bob or Melanie Hocker (715-432-7081) for more details.

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

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. Each year we have a special worship service on Ash Wednesday, which includes both the Sacrament of Communion and the imposition of ashes, where we place a cross of ashes on each person's forehead. This is a beautiful, special service. Worship begins at 6pm and there will be a nursery for children two and under.

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. Groups will launch in March. Please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) if you have any questions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT L.I.F.E.— Our Living In Faith Everyday (L.I.F.E.) classes for the winter will conclude *THIS* Wednesday, February 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 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— 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. 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, or speak with Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org). 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— 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" presentation after worship *NEXT* 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.

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,

Pilate. Through it all, you remained unflinchingly faithful. We have not been equally committed. This week, we have been daunted and distracted by the opposition to your good news. At times, that opposition has come from our own lives, as we have actively worked against your will for us.

We confess that our desire for comfort and convenience has hindered the advance of your kingdom. Forgive us. Refocus us on the mission of God our Father. Then may we find courage to face our fears and proclaim your good news, filled with the presence of your Holy Spirit.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection.)

*Assurance of Pardon:

Hear the good news: Jesus is not dead: he has been raised. Sin and death have lost their power. All those who claim Christ as Lord and Savior may receive, in his name, forgiveness of sins and resurrection to eternal life! Thanks be to God our Father and Christ our Lord!

Amen!

*Gloria Patri: #581

Special Music: "Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land" Children's Choir

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: "Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet" #458

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

Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament:Numbers 13:32-14:4Page 131Special Music:"I Can Only Imagine"Jeff & Levi TheiligNew Testament:Acts 13:42-14:7Page 133

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Sermon:

Responding to the Word

*Hymn: "Go to the World" (vs. 1,2,3) #295

*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: Chriss Altis

*Doxology

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

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "Go to the World" (vs. 4) #295

Postlude: Chriss Altis

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 *Deb Tice*; Elder Greeters *Julie Nelson & Luke Coenen*; *Gatekeeper Bill Rhodes*; Projection Team *Drew Bouché & Judy Dorn*; Live Streaming Operator *Jerry Trebus*; The Hub *Gail & Tom Daman*

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

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
-	6:30 p.m.	Admin. Committee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Dartball (Away)
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study & Lunch
Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
•	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	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group
	12:00 p.m.	Lunch Bunch
		Old Guys Rule (Kelly Club)
	7:00 p.m.	Sheepshead
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Parent's Night Out
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Snow Caves
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Institute of Discipleship (I.D.)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Practice
	11:15 a.m.	Understanding Poverty Presentation