

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 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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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...

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EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH, 2021 - 8 A.M. & 10 A.M.

FORWARD
FROM COMFORTABLE
TO AWAKENED:
WOKE

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" JeHae Kim-Bixby & Les Fraaza

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

What if God's call is not to go "back to normal" but to go forward with Christ? In what direction is your life moving? Are you going backwards to your old life, or forward into the Spirit's new adventure? Consider this morning what your next step towards God might be, and commit to strain forward to what lies ahead.

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship:

Christ is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! He is risen indeed! He is risen indeed!

***Hymns:** "Christ is Alive" (vs. 1,5) #246
"Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (vs. 1,4) #232

***Easter Prayer of Adoration:**

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the dead you ransomed our lives and defeated our enemy. We know that because Jesus lives, we too will live forever. As you did for the disciples of old, so do for us; in the preaching of the Word, may our hearts burn within us; in the breaking of the bread, may our eyes be opened to your presence amongst us. Then we will recall Christ's death and resurrection, we will share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and with invincible hope, we will await Christ's coming again.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

***Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith:**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus: dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory. This is the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Praise be to Him! Amen.

***Congregational Response:** "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" (vs. 1)

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS—Praise the Lord! We are thrilled that life, activity, worship, fellowship, and most aspects of our church community are coming back to life following this difficult year. As attendance and programming continues to grow, we are back to needing volunteers to assist us on Sunday mornings. For those who feel comfortable doing so, we invite you to contact Drew Bouche (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) if you would like to participate in greeting at The Hub, working in the tech. booth, helping as an usher when needed, or even assisting with the folding of bulletins on the Friday before.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

MEN'S & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY OF HEBREWS—The men's and women's studies will be starting on the Book of Hebrews *THIS* Tuesday, April 6 (women) and April 13 (men). Books are available at The Hub for \$10. All are welcome to join us in person or via Zoom on Tuesdays at noon. Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) for the Zoom information.

PRAYER MEETINGS—Our weekly Prayer Meeting will resume *THIS* Wednesday, April 7 at 6pm via Zoom. Join us for a time to petition before the Lord together every Wednesday night. All are welcome! To join the Zoom meeting, go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82054635060?pwd=MTkzOGJqMFRWamxrMy9CSHBwcUMrUT09> Meeting ID: 820 5463 5060 Passcode: 711155

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

KID'S WORSHIP IS BACK!—*NEXT* Sunday, April 11, children 8-years-old and younger will be having Kid's Worship downstairs at the conclusion of the Children's Message. Join us downstairs as we get back in the swing of fun, fellowship, friends, and learning about God's Word!

PARENT CLASS—Are you a parent that struggles with finding the balance with church and extra-curricular activities for your kids (and you)? Looking for some tools and/or encouragement for this ongoing battle for our focus? We invite you to join Dan Frost (in person or via Zoom) on Sunday, April 25, from 4-5pm, for "Christ and Life: Priorities and Balance in the Christian Home." Let's grow together as parents who desire a Christ-centered household, while walking through day-to-day life! Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S.—We hope that you have all enjoyed getting to know your partner during this year's mission. Try to get one more correspondence in for the month of April as we approach the Reveal Party that is planned for Sunday, April 18 following worship. There will be more information to come.

YOUTH GROUP—All students grades 6th-12th grade are invited to join us in person (or online via Zoom) every Wednesday from 6-7:30pm, including *THIS* Wednesday, April 7. We will be wearing masks and social distancing. Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

YOUTH I.D.—Youth Institute of Discipleship has *THREE* classes (6th & 7th; Confirmation; 9th & 12th) via Zoom *AND* in person at 9am every Sunday morning.

KIDS I.D.—Kids ID starts in a large group via Zoom and in person, followed by a breakout into two groups (PreK-1st & 2nd-5th grades). Each group will need their own device if you are with us from home. Join us every Sunday at 9am!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S COMMUNION—*TODAY*, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion (both services). To participate at home, please have your juice and bread ready and available for today's live stream service. In-person worshippers will have prepackaged elements available to them.

CCPC 101—Have you been visiting us and want to know more about CCPC, our beliefs, and our ministries? We will cover all these topics and answer all your questions on Sunday, April 11 after worship, both in person and via Zoom. Those who wish to join us in person will be required to wear a mask and we will be social distancing. Those who wish to join us via Zoom will be given the necessary login information after they RSVP. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of this informational session, please contact Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org). Activities and supervision for children can be provided upon request.

CCPC ENDOWMENT GIFTS/MATCHING GIFTS—Join us in kicking off our CCPC Endowment Fund this year! We invite you to consider a "Founder's Gift" of \$500. We are also blessed to have been given a matching gift donation of \$25,000 towards the fund, and we are currently at \$23,100 of that \$25,000 goal! The minimum gift to be matched must be no less than \$2,500. Pledges for this matching gift must be made by April 15, 2021, with payment deadline set for December 31, 2021. For more information about giving to the endowment fund, please go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/endowment>.

SAVE-THE-DATE: SPRING L.I.F.E.—Though we have just finished our Winter L.I.F.E. (Living In Faith Everyday) series, our Spring session is quickly approaching! We will return to separate adult and kids classes, with the little ones having their time together outside! Mark your calendars for the four Wednesdays in May at 6pm! More information to come!

MISSIONS

THANK YOU TO EGGSTRAVAGANZA VOLUNTEERS—A huge thank you to all those who helped in preparation and execution of 2021's very different Eggstravaganza! If you helped stuff eggs, fill bags, disperse the egg signs, or greet all of our participants at the church, you are so greatly appreciated!

DAMASCUS ROAD SCARLET CORD PRAYER MINISTRY—CCPC continues its relationship with Damascus Road, a ministry devoted to saving women from the evil of human trafficking in Wisconsin. Their "Scarlet Cord" prayer ministry is one way in which we help support the organization, but more specifically the women involved. We invite you to "adopt a girl" in prayer by picking up an informational card that will be made available *NEXT* Sunday, April 11 in the Narthex. Please consider the power of prayer and how you can have an amazing spiritual impact in the lives of those freed from bondage! More information to come!

KID'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS—Are you looking for a way to serve at CCPC? We are looking for you! There are so many ways for those who love Jesus and love kids to get involved! We are currently in need of: **Teachers/Leaders, Cleaning Team Members, Prayer Partners, and Activity and Event Prep.** Please contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) if you'd like to get involved!

Children's Message

[Children may come forward and be seated on an "X" in the first two rows of pews.]

Period of Fellowship

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 55:6-13* *NRSV Bible*

Special Music: *"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"* Ric Thompson

New Testament Reading: *Luke 24:13-35* *NRSV Bible*

Sermon: *Forward from Comfortable to Awakened: Woke* Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn:** *"Because He Lives" (vs. 1,3)*

The Sacrament of Communion

[We celebrate "Open Communion" at CCPC, which means ALL baptized believers here today are welcome to share in our Lord's Feast. Pickup your pre-packaged elements in the Narthex.]

Communion Music: *"Dona Nobis Pacem"* *CCPC Choir*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer *(See page 4 for words)*

Offering

Offertory Music: *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* JeHae Kim-Bixby & Les Fraaza

Connection Cards are in your bulletin or in the pew in front of you. Please leave your gifts and Connection Cards in the plates as you leave today.

*Doxology

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

***Choral Benediction:** *"Hallelujah Chorus"*

Postlude: *"He Lives/Thine is the Glory"* Pat Moucha

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 (or in the pew back).
- † 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 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.

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 Leaders: Deb Tice and Dan Frost

HUB Greeter: Deb Wakefield

Elder Greeters: Julie Trebus and Bob Warner

Live Stream: Drew Bouché

Acolytes: Jonathan & Zoe Gates, Zach Fuls, and YeHwan Kim

Special Music: Ric Thompson and Pat Moucha

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)

Jim Burgener
(Home)

Cheryl Lenz
(St. Joseph's Marshfield)

Don Hawkins
(Home)

Griffin Spence
(Home)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>		<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	
8AM	WORSHIP	6PM	W&F MEETING	NOON	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	6PM	YOUTH GROUP
10AM	WORSHIP	6:30PM	CE MEETING DEACON'S MEETING			6PM	PRAYER MEETING
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
						9AM	KID'S & YOUTH I.D.
						10AM	WORSHIP

For more details about CCPC programming, refer to the next couple of pages in this bulletin, go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org, or call the church office at 715-359-6467.