

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...

Changing lives forever!



TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY, MAY 16TH, 2021 - 10 A.M.

FORWARD FROM
DISCIPLES TO APOSTLES:
GO TELL (GOD'S STORY)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Love Divine/I Am His, He is Mine" 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: Matthew 10:26-27

*Nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered,
And nothing secret that will not become known.*

*What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light;
And what you hear whispered, proclaim from the rooftops.*

***Hymns:** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (vs. 1,2,4,5) #610

***Call to Confession:** Isaiah 43:22, 24b

To the people of God, the LORD says, "You did not call upon me, O Jacob; but you have been weary of me, O Israel! You have burdened me with your sins; you have wearied me with your iniquities." This week, we have been weary of faithfulness to God, when in truth He was the one burdened with our selfishness. Let us therefore confess our sins together.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Almighty God, we recognize our sinful and selfish desires. You have given us your commandments, to guide us into fullness of life, and we act as though they are great weights, dragging us down rather than lifting us up. You sent your Son to proclaim the good news of your kingdom, and we act as though the gospel is old news. Lord, we repent of our hard hearts. Tell us again familiar words of the greatest of stories, and the freeing words of the commands of our Savior. Then may we choose not to add to the burdens of Christ, but to share in his yoke, shoulder some of his burden, and like Simon of Cyrene, carry the blessed cross with you today.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER—Pick up a Baby Bottle in the Narthex TODAY, fill it with change, cash or checks, and return it to CCPC by May 30! All donations will support our local Crisis Pregnancy Center. You can also make a donation online via the website to help these moms and moms-to-be!

FUNERAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—If you would like to help honor God and comfort those who mourn, join us in serving as part of the Funeral Ministry! This ministry includes members who carry out a variety of tasks during Celebrations of Life, including serving meals as Team Leaders, Team Callers, Workers, Food Donors, and Clean Up Crew. We are blessed to have Carol Anklam heading up these teams. If you have already been involved, or wish to become involved, **we invite you to come to a meeting NEXT Sunday, May 23 immediately following service in Bouldin Hall.** If you are unable to attend, please reach out to Carol Anklam (715-446-2062) to let her know of your interest.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY—The women's study continues in the Book of Hebrews *THIS* Tuesday, May 18 at noon. All are welcome to join us in person or via Zoom on Tuesdays. Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) for the Zoom information.

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

SENIOR DAY 2021—*NEXT* Sunday, May 23 is Senior Day! CCPC will honor, celebrate, and pray for our high school seniors as they transition into the next season of their lives. We invite all students who will be graduating this spring (or who graduated early in December) to bring your gown to wear when you are recognized, or provide a video (in your gown) sharing where you graduated from, what you'll be doing next, and a favorite memory at church. Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) if you plan to attend in person, or if you will be sending a video. Videos must be received no later than *THIS* Wednesday, May 19, to be included in the service.

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, May 19. 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!

IMPORTANT PROGRAMMING DATES FOR MAY & JUNE

- Last day for I.D. until the fall - **May 23**
- Senior Sunday - **May 23**
- Last evening of L.I.F.E. - **May 26**
- Ordination Sunday - **June 6**
- Confirmation Sunday - **June 13**
- Invitation Sunday (Father's Day) - **June 20**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCPC 101 TODAY!—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 after worship *TODAY*, both in person (in the Bouldin Hall conference room) and via Zoom if needed.

KID'S AND ADULT SPRING L.I.F.E.—Spring L.I.F.E. (Living In Faith Everyday) session continues *THIS* Wednesday, May 19 at 6pm. Kid's L.I.F.E. is outside and is unpacking the **"PATHS of Prayer"** by exploring what praying looks like in community and at home by ourselves. The adult class is entitled, **"The Spiritual World: Angels, Demons, and Things of God."** Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) for online information, and Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) for questions pertaining to Kid's L.I.F.E.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE TOGETHER—Our Journey through Scripture continues as we are now reading The Book of Romans (as of today we are in chapter 6. On May 27, we begin reading through 1 and 2 Corinthians. Links will be sent via the weekly email!

CCPC CONTENT AND INFORMATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA!—Looking to stay connected and find content for all things CCPC?! Along with Facebook, you'll find us on Instagram... as well as our YouTube channels where you can find sermons (including our live stream on Sunday mornings), classes, children's content, and more! Follow us on Instagram, like us on Facebook, and subscribe to our YouTube channels by going to the links below:

CCPC Facebook - www.facebook.com/CovenantCommunityPresbyterianChurch/

CCPC Instagram - www.instagram.com/ccpcschild/

Kid's Ministry Instagram - www.instagram.com/covenantcommunitypc_kids/

CCPC YouTube Channel - "CCPC Productions"

Kid's Ministry YouTube Channel - "CCPC Kids Ministry"

COVENANT CONVERSATIONS PODCAST—Covenant Conversations podcast with Dan Frost, Episode 3, is available! Dan discusses lifelong discipleship with speaker, author, and ministry catalyst at Awana, Dan Lovaglia. Join the conversation on our website or these popular platforms: **Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Stitcher, Podbean, and Amazon Music.**

LOCAL RADIO STATIONS—Did you know that there are *SIX* Christian radio stations in our area? Whether you like traditional or contemporary music, teaching or talk radio, we have access to it all in Central Wisconsin. These stations include 89.5FM (89Q), WRVM, Rejoice Radio, WIBN, WVRM, and The Family. For those of you that don't listen to podcasts or streamed music and content, or if you like to experience Christian music with local flavor, check out the materials at the "Information Center" by the name tags!

MISSIONS

CAR RIDES TO COVENANT—If you are in need of a ride to church on Sunday mornings, or know someone in need, please contact Bill Rhodes at 715-803-0025 or billrhodes6514@gmail.com. You can also contact Bill if you are interested in being a driver.

*Assurance of Pardon:

Isaiah 43:25

The LORD says, "I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins." Because of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, our sins are blotted out and we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Period of Fellowship

*Hymn: "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine" (vs. 1,3) #839

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 31:24-30 Page 187

Special Music: "Holy, Holy, is what the Angels Sing" Herb Westlund

New Testament Reading: Matthew 10:16-33 Page 10

Sermon: Forward from Disciples to Apostles: Jim Gates
Go Tell (God's Story)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "I Love to Tell the Story" (vs. 1,2) #462

The Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer (See page 4 for words)

Offering

Offertory Music: "A Thousand Years" Marcy Fehrman & JeHae Kim-Bixby

[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: "Go to the World" (vs. 3) #295

Postlude: Les Fraaza

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 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

Slides: Jared Fuls

The HUB: Deb Wakefield

Acolytes: Bailey & Peyton
Koehler

Elder Greeter: Gary Freels

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)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
9AM KID'S & YOUTH I.D.	6:30PM SESSION	NOON WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	6PM YOUTH GROUP
10AM WORSHIP (TEACHER APPREC. SUNDAY)			6PM KIDS & ADULT L.I.F.E.
11:15AM CCPC 101			
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
			9AM KID'S & YOUTH I.D.
			10AM WORSHIP (SENIOR SUNDAY)

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.