

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!



SUNDAY, MAY 9TH, 2021 - 10 A.M.

FORWARD FROM
DISCIPLES TO APOSTLES:
GO BUILD (GOD'S KINGDOM)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Praise Him in the Morning" 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 10:5-6

Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans,

But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

As you go, proclaim the good news,

The kingdom of God has come near.

***Hymns:** "Lift High the Cross" (vs. 1,4) #826
"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" (vs. 1,5) #265

***Call to Confession:** Joshua 1:7

The LORD says to Joshua, "only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left." We have not done this perfectly this week, so, together let us confess.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Father God, you call us to be strong and courageous, but we dwell on our inadequacies and shackle ourselves with our fears. You tell us to act according to your Word; but we have strayed from the letter and spirit of your Word and your will.

Forgive us being hesitant apostles. Though the grace of Jesus Christ, make us whole. In the power of the Holy Spirit, equip us for the work of Kingdom building, and then send us find your lost sheep.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

DAY OF SERVICE—The Mission Committee is planning the Annual Spring Community Service Day for Saturday, May 15th and we continue to be in need of volunteers and work! We will be helping congregational members that need spring yard work done and may also do some cleanup at Rib Mountain State Park, or on the Ice Age Trail (if enough volunteers sign up). Come and join us for a day of fellowship and service! You can register at the HUB, or online to volunteer or request work at <https://covenantcommunitypc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/834548>

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 on Sunday, May 23 immediately following service in Bouldin Hall. If you are unable to attend, please reach out to Carol Anklam (715-571-5784) to let her know of your interest.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—The men's study continues in the Book of Hebrews *THIS* Tuesday, May 11 at noon. Books are available at The Hub for \$10. 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

SAVE-THE-DATE: VBS 2021—Families are beginning to plan their summer schedule, so make sure to save-the-date for VBS 2021 taking place in the evenings from August 2nd to the 5th. Also, FaithLab 2.0 will be available for families looking for an online option available from June to August. Contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

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 12. 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. **NOTE: I.D. will end for the summer break after Sunday, May 23.**

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! **NOTE: I.D. will end for the summer break after Sunday, May 23.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 after worship *NEXT* Sunday, May 16, both in person (in the Bouldin Hall conference room) and via Zoom if needed. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of this informational session, please speak with Drew Bouché.

KID'S AND ADULT SPRING L.I.F.E.—Our Spring L.I.F.E. (Living In Faith Everyday) session continues *THIS* Wednesday, May 12 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.**" This course is looking at the forgotten spiritual world around us. This class is in person, or online. 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.

COVENANT CONVERSATIONS PODCAST—Covenant Conversations podcast with Dan Frost, Episode 2, is available! Dan Frost speaks with Youth Pastor and consultant Brian Aaby about the Christian family finding balance in their full-scheduled lives. Join the conversation at <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/covenant-conversations>

CCPC ENDOWMENT BIRTHDAY DONATIONS—Have someone special in your life that is celebrating a birthday? Donate a gift to our endowment fund in their honor! We have hardcopy cards in the church office that you can personalize and give to them in recognition after your donation is made. You can also go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/endowment> to pay and print off a digital version that you can give after the gift has been donated. Celebrate others while contributing to the future of our church!

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE TOGETHER—Our Journey through Scripture continues as we conclude the Book of Acts (as of today we are in chapter 27) and move into Romans and Corinthians. Download the YouVersion Bible app on the Apple or Google App Store, and jump in with us as we read a chapter a day together. This habit of daily personal devotions is critical for us, and only enhanced as we share our thoughts and reflections with each other! Starting *THIS* Tuesday, May 11, we will begin reading The Book of Romans. Then, on May 27, we begin reading through 1 and 2 Corinthians. Links will be sent via the weekly email!

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.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER—Pick up a Baby Bottle in the Narthex starting *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!

*Assurance of Pardon:

Joshua 1:5

God's promise to Joshua, "I will not fail you or forsake you," is multiplied sevenfold in Joshua's namesake, Jesus. For those in Christ there is no condemnation. In life and in death, we are secure in the God who never fails us or forsakes us. 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:

"Pass It On"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Joshua 1:1-9 Page 194

Special Music: "For Who You Are" Elli Briggs

New Testament Reading: Matthew 10:5-15 Page 10

Sermon: Forward from Disciples to Apostles: Jim Gates
Go Build (God's Kingdom)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory" (vs. 1,2,4) #307

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

Offering

Offertory Music: "Jesus Shall Reign" Marcy Fehrman & 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: "Go to the World" (vs. 2) #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

Elder Greeter: Luke Coenen

The HUB: Barb Lamping

Slides: Luke Coenen

Greeters: Dianne Abel

Acolytes: YeHwan Kim

& Shirley Hodgdon

& Zach Fuls

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.	5:30PM	MISSION COMMITTEE	NOON	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	3PM	FOOD PANTRY
10AM	WORSHIP	6:30PM	ADMIN. COMMITTEE			6PM	YOUTH GROUP
						6PM	KIDS & ADULT L.I.F.E.
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
				CCPC SERVICE DAY		9AM	KID'S & YOUTH I.D.
						10AM	WORSHIP
						11:15AM	CCPC 101

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.