

LIVE STREAMING

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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH, 2021 - 10 A.M.

WE THREE KINGS: SOLOMON -
PRAYER FOR WISDOM

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Sunlight in my Soul"/ Les Fraaza
"Give Them All to Jesus"

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

The three kings of the united kingdom of Israel – Saul, David, and Solomon – are fascinating, important, and deeply flawed spiritual leaders. You can read their stories in 1 Samuel 8 through 1 Kings 12. Why are these stories preserved by the Spirit in our Scriptures, and what can we learn about God and Christ through them?

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles:

Call to Worship: Psalm 72:18-19

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,

Who alone does wondrous things.

Blessed be his glorious name forever;

May his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.

***Hymn:** "We Three Kings" See screens

***Call to Confession:**

Solomon recognizes his own insufficiency for the task of kingship, and so asks God for wisdom. We too recognize our insufficiency today, and so ask God for forgiveness and grace. Let us pray, using some of Solomon's words from Psalm 72.

***Prayer of Confession:** (From Psalm 72)

We confess that we have not been wholly faithful this week. Forgive us for every way that we tried to stand on your throne, O Lord, instead of bowing before it. With our calendars, wallets, thoughts and actions, we have imagined that we ruled. Now we ask for forgiveness, and that Christ instead would be our King.

May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice. In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more. May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun. And may all nations be blessed in him.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

CCPC SOFTBALL TEAM—The CCPC softball team invites you to come out to the Kelly Club to support them as they compete. They take the field **TONIGHT** at 5pm.

MISSIONS

CCPC BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE 2021 - THANK YOU!—A HUGE THANK YOU to all who helped with this year's "Make A Difference Back-to-School Sale!" We had folks help with setup, cleanup, and of course assisting customers and checkout. It was a wonderful success, with all proceeds going to our Missions Fund. As always, we want to thank Bob Hocker for amazing contributions through his connections for the actual apparel and shoes.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY COLLECTION IN AUGUST—Continuing throughout the month of August, the Mission Committee has organized a donation drive to collect items of need for the Women's Community's food pantry. Items needed include: dish soap, laundry soap, paper towels, toilet paper, canned fruit, strawberry jam, granola bars, cooking oil, brownie mix, and muffin mix. There are collection boxes at both entrances of the building.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CHANGE OF DATE!—The women will have their next gathering at noon on Tuesday, August 31 **INSTEAD** of this week. **Again, there will be NO women's study THIS Tuesday, August 17th.**

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH AT JEREMY CAMP CONCERT—Christian music star Jeremy Camp is playing at Marathon Park today! We invite all of our Salt & Light Youth Group (last year's 6th-12th graders) to meet us at the park at 2pm. Dan Frost will have space at the back of the grassy seating area with chairs setup (please bring your own, as well). Come join us for an awesome time of fellowship and great music. Admission to the event is free.

KID'S & YOUTH MINISTRY LUNCHEON—Our CCPC Youth & Kids volunteers have a vital role in leading our kids in their spiritual journey. We want to celebrate you and discuss some important topics before we kickoff this fall. Join us Sunday, August 29 for a Kids & Youth Ministry Luncheon immediately following worship in Bouldin Hall. We look forward to coming together as a team to serve our students, their friends and their families.

PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

- Jeremy Camp - **TODAY 2PM**
- HS Youth Group - **September 12**
- Kid's/Youth Luncheon - **August 29**
- Kid's & Adult L.I.F.E. - **September 15**
- Fall Kickoff - **September 12**
- MS Youth Group - **September 15**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR GATES OUT-OF-OFFICE—Jim Gates will be out of the office and unavailable through *THIS* Wednesday, August 18. We invite you to contact the church office with any questions, and our remaining staff will do their best to assist you. If you are in need of pastoral care during his absence, please contact Jess Wakefield at 715-573-4648.

SAVE-THE-DATE - FALL KICKOFF WEEK 2021—The week of September 12 will be a memorable one as we kickoff the new church year with I.D., a new sermon series, our picnic and new "ministry fair", a new Salt & Light Youth schedule, Wednesday night L.I.F.E., and JeHae Kim-Bixby in concert! Mark your calendars and be on the lookout for more details as the dates approach!

KID'S & ADULT L.I.F.E. EVERY WEDNESDAY BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER—As we enter into the new "church calendar" year beginning in September, we are planning something a little different for our Kid's and adult L.I.F.E. classes. They will occur *EVERY WEDNESDAY* at 6pm, rather than our previous, seasonal schedule. Plan for weekly discipleship for the whole family on Wednesday nights, beginning September 15. We will have more details to come!

SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. MISSION #4 - 2021-2022—It will soon be time for another Secret A.G.E.N.T.S. mission! We are now looking for Jr. Agents (rising 4th-12th graders) and Secret Agents (adults). This ministry is focused on connecting generations in prayer and mentorship. Each Secret Agent will be paired with a Jr. Agent through the spring of 2022. They anonymously exchange letters from October through March, at which time we will celebrate with a Reveal Party! You can register right now by going to:

Secret Agents - <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/secret-agents>
Jr. Agents - <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/jr-agents>

We will also have registration forms in next week's bulletin, with a dropoff box located at the Hub. You can also visit our table at the Ministry Fair on Fall Kickoff Sunday, September 12. Prayerfully consider being a part of this meaningful mission! There will be more information in the coming weeks.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE TOGETHER—Join us as we continue through the New Testament! The current plan the group is in (Hebrews 7 as of today) will end tomorrow, so we will pick up where it left off with a new plan beginning *THIS* Tuesday. This chapter-a-day plan can be done by downloading the Bible app from YouVersion, which is free and easy to find on the Apple or Google App stores. The following link will allow you to sign up for the study beginning Tuesday: <https://bible.com/p/44935353/2143feb136e165c57f22b67b7594c7f7>
You can also skip the technology and dive in with your hard-copy Bible!

COVENANT CONVERSATIONS PODCAST—Covenant Conversations Episode 9 is *NOW AVAILABLE* (a new episode is released every two weeks)! This week, Dan Frost sits down with the missionary team of Dave and Rennie Garda of Cadre Missionaries (<https://www.cadremissionaries.com/garda>). In this episode entitled, "Ministry is Relationships," the conversation turns to the importance of churches and families understanding and living out disciple-making friendships. Join Dan and his guests on our website or these popular platforms: **Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Stitcher, Podbean, Amazon Music, and our YouTube channel: CCPC Productions.**

*Assurance of Pardon:

1 Corinthians 1:30

Hear the good news: "God is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption." Thanks be to Christ! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Period of Fellowship

*Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" (1,3) #451

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 3:1-15 Page 305

Special Music: "In the Garden" JeHae Kim-Bixby

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Page 166

Sermon: We Three Kings: Solomon - Prayer of Wisdom Jay St. Clair

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer See insert or screens

Offering

Offertory Music: "Day by Day" JeHae Kim-Bixby & Les Fraaza

*Doxology

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "Be Thou My Vision" (vs.2) #450

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.
- † 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

The HUB: Barb Lamping

Elder Greeters: Bob Warner
& Lynda Reis

Slides: Michelle Zblewski

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)

Don Hawkins
(Home)

Cheryl Lenz
(Colonial Center in Colby)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM FELLOWSHIP 2PM JEREMY CAMP CONCERT 5PM SOFTBALL	6:30PM DEACONS		6PM YOUTH GROUP
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
2PM SHEEPSHEAD			10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM FELLOWSHIP 7PM SOFTBALL

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