

## LIVE STREAMING

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# COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...  
Changing lives forever!

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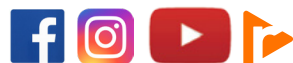
**UNITED: A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 - 10 A.M.

HOLY SPIRIT & UNITY:  
CHARISMATIC SPIRITUAL GIFTS

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**Prelude:** "God, Our God, is God Alone" Les Fraaza

**Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:**

*Our world encourages us to divide into the smallest possible affinity groups, to distrust and dislike the others, and even to pursue opportunities for self-isolation. The church has sometimes reflected the culture in this regard. Paul, in writing to the church in Corinth, encourages a different virtue – unity. As we reflect on the call to be United to Christ and to each other, consider what might be the next step in your own journey from division to unity in your life and relationships today.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Lighting of the Candles:**

**Call to Worship:**

Joel 2:28

*Then afterward, I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;*

***Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.***

*Even on the male and female slaves, In those days, I will pour out my spirit.*

**\*Hymn:** "O Day of Joy and Wonder!" (vs. 1,2,3) #290

**\*Call to Confession:** 1 Corinthians 14:20

*Paul instructs the church, saying, "Do not be children in your thinking; rather, be infants in evil, but in thinking be adults." Too often we invert this instruction. We are experts in selfishness and novices in forgiveness. Equipped by the Spirit, let us strive for more of Christ as we offer our prayer together.*

**\*Prayer of Confession:**

***Holy Spirit, your grace is measureless and your selflessness unending. Filled with you, we should look and act and love like Jesus. Too often, we do not. We are tempted to keep even your gifts for ourselves, rather than sharing them with others.***

***Help us to know you more and the world less. May we pursue love and learn to use all our gifts for one another, so that we more clearly reflect the image of Christ.***

*(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)*

**YOUTH & KIDS LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON** — The Youth and Kids Leadership Annual Luncheon is *TODAY* following the 10am service. This is a great time to connect with your teaching team and build friendships with other leaders as we share in the vision we have for our kids and youth. Join us in Bouldin Hall for a great meal and encouragement for the upcoming year!

**SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. MISSION #6** — It's almost time for Secret A.G.E.N.T.S. mission #6! We are looking for Jr. Agents (rising 4th-12th graders) and Secret Agents (adults). Each Secret Agent will be paired with a Jr. Agent to exchange letters from October through March, at which time we will celebrate with a Reveal Party! Online registration is *NOW OPEN* on our website, or you can sign up at our "Recruiting Station" by the name tags. Signup will also be available at the Ministry Fair on September 10. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.

**YOUTH KICKOFF!** — All 6-12th graders are invited to join us for the start of a new year on Wednesday, September 6 - we will meet from 6-8pm for broomball (bring your own broom) and the World's Largest Ice Cream Sundae (bring a favorite topping if you'd like). Friends are most definitely welcome!

**YOUTH I.D. RETURNS** — All our youth classes resume on September 10 and run from 9am-9:50am. Our Middle School I.D. class for 6th & 7th graders will meet in the basement; our High School class for 9th-12th graders will meet in the Bouldin Hall Loft.

**KIDS I.D. IS BACK!** — Kids I.D., a hands on Bible exploration, returns to the 9am hour on September 10! We dig into the entire scope of the Bible, learning people, events, and places from the Old and New Testaments each year. We want to encourage kids to keep their sense of wonder, curiosity and questions as we explore all the Bible can show us about God and ourselves. Drop your kiddos off downstairs while you attend Adult I.D. during the same hour!

**NEW YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER 13** — This Wednesday, August 30 will be the final day of 6th-8th graders meeting from 5:30-7pm and 9th-12th graders meeting after from 7-8:30pm. **The schedule will change beginning September 13!** Middle School Youth will meet from 6-7:30pm, and High School Youth will meet from 6:30-8pm. We'll do separate Bible study times for MS and HS but combine for our crazy games. Join us on the 13th for the beginning of this new pattern!

**KIDS L.I.F.E.** — Having friends at church is one of our core values. At Wednesday night L.I.F.E., beginning September 13 at 6pm, our first focus is a friendship with Jesus, and secondly, we encourage children to build relationships with other kids and adult leaders. This year we are excited to have an age specific rotation model so that we can connect with more kids doing the things they love to do.

**THROUGH JUNE 2023:**

Budgeted Operating Revenues: **\$283,458**  
 Actual Operating Revenues: **\$275,827**  
 Budgeted Operating Expenses: **\$288,308**  
 Actual Operating Expenses: **\$273,390**

**AUGUST 20 ATTENDANCE:**

AM In-Person Total: **181**  
 AM Livestream Total: **96**  
 PM In-Person Total: **24**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BIRTH CELEBRATION** — CCPC celebrates the birth of John Raymond Valor, son of Jessica Will and Raymond Valor, born on August 16th.

**SPIRITUAL GIFT INVENTORY** — We invite ALL members of our faith family to participate in a Spiritual Gift Assessment. This is a wonderful opportunity to identify your spiritual strengths/gifts and see how they can be applied to serving within our community! You can fill out a hard copy version located on the table in the Narthex, or feel free to do it digitally by clicking the link in tomorrow's email.

**ENDOWMENT MATCHING GIFT** — We have been given a \$25,000 matching gift challenge towards our CCPC Endowment. Every dollar you give to the Endowment from now until September 30 will be doubled until we reach that \$25,000 goal! To date, we have reached an amount of \$13,835.72. You can give towards this match by placing a check in the offering plate, giving online, or by contacting the church office with questions.

## BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

**ADULT I.D. RETURNS** — Our Adult I.D. class meets in the Cry Room and will resume on September 10 and run from 9am-9:50am. All adults are welcome!

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY** — Men's and Women's Bible Studies resume in September! We will have a joint meeting on September 12 of men and women in Bouldin Hall from 12-1pm. Then, our women meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (starting Sept 19) and our men meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays (starting Sept 26). The groups will continue to occasionally meet together throughout the year. Whether together or separate, we will always meet from 12-1pm. This is a great season for newcomers to visit! We'll select a book of the Bible on September 12 to begin our fall study.

**ADULT L.I.F.E. RETURNS** — Adult L.I.F.E. starts on September 13th with a 7-class series entitled, "The Power of an Unoffendable Heart", taught and facilitated by Sue Thompson. All adults are invited to join us from 6-7pm in the Adult Education Room (across from the food pantry). If you've ever been offended about anything or by anyone, this might be a class for you!

## MISSIONS & VOLUNTEERING

**CHURCH PICNIC FOOD & VOLUNTEERS** — There are plenty of opportunities to serve at this year's Fall Kickoff Picnic! We will need help with setup, cleanup, food preparations, and more (contact the church office if interested)! Last names with A-P, we would love for you to bring a salad or side dish. Last names with Q-Z, please bring a dessert to share. We are also in need of volunteers to do a variety of tasks throughout the day. Please see the signup at The Hub! If you have any questions regarding the food, please contact Stephanie Smith ([stephanie.smith@sentry.com](mailto:stephanie.smith@sentry.com)).

**YOUTH & KID'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** — As we get closer to the kickoff of the church calendar year in September, we are looking to grow our team of Kid's and Youth Ministry volunteers. This includes, but is not limited to, leaders and assistants for 9am I.D. classes, 10am Children's Church, 6pm service leaders and assistants, Wednesday evening 6pm classes, as well as Confirmation sponsors. If you are interested in taking part, please mark your interest on the back of today's Connection Card, or contact Amanda Fuls ([amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org](mailto:amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org)) or Jim Gates ([jim@covenantcommunitypc.org](mailto:jim@covenantcommunitypc.org)).

### \*Assurance of Pardon:

Joel 2:32

*The prophet Joel proclaims the good news; "Everyone who calls upon the name of the LORD shall be saved." Jesus is the LORD, and the name by which we and all people of faith can be saved. Thanks be to Him! Amen.*

**\*Congregational Response:** "How Great is Our God" See Screen

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** Today we celebrate the baptisms of Charles Haskell Earney, son of Wayne and Karen Earney, and Meyah Lei Bennett, niece of Lakia Hanson.

### Children's Message

[Children may come forward and be seated on the stage.]

### Period of Fellowship

**\*Hymn:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (x2) #469

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 14:1-25 Page 175

**Special Music:** "Jesus is my Lord" Covenant Singers

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 14:26-40 Page 176

**Sermon:** "Holy Spirit & Unity: Charismatic Spiritual Gifts" Jim Gates

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*Hymn:** "Standing on the Promises" (vs. 1,4) #838

**Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer** See Page 4

### Offering

**Offertory Music:** "As the Deer/Lord, Be Glorified" Wyatt Dupuis

### \*Doxology

### Welcome of New Members:

**Elizabeth Fraaza** - Elizabeth recently married Cory Fraaza, who got her involved in the CCPC family. She is excited to officially join our wonderful congregation.

**Paul & Tracy Roller** - Paul and Tracy have been married for almost 29 years and have lived in Wisconsin for most of that time, but have also spent 4 years in the state of Washington. Paul is a computer programmer and a safety professional for a student transportation company. They have two grown daughters who are both married. Pastimes of theirs include riding ATVs and home brewing.

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** Apostles Creed See Page 4

**\*Welcome Song:** "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" (vs. 1) #306

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*Benediction

**\*Choral Benediction:** "Spirit of the Living God" (x1) #288

## 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
- † Activity bags for children are available in the Narthex.
- † Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for donuts, cookies, juice, coffee, and fellowship!

### 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!

### 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

Thank you to all who serve the church on Sunday mornings!

**Worship Leader:** Deb Tice

**Acolytes:** Jaelyn Nelson  
& Sophia Haulotte

**Elder Greeter:** Deb Tice  
& Sheldon Rouse

**The Hub:** Barb Lamping

**Live Stream:** Craig Spangler

**Slides:** Luke Coenen

**Gatekeeper:** Joe Johnson

**Usher Lead:** Jeff Kibler

**Fellowship Hour:** The Luessenhops

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following folks who were recently in the hospital or reside in an assisted-care facility.

**Mary Zuidema**  
*(Renaissance in Wisconsin Rapids)*

**Stella Lamping**  
*(Home)*

**Joyce Michna**  
*(Fond du Lac)*

**Cheryl Lenz**  
*(Colonial Center in Colby)*

**Jim Palmer**  
*(Rennes)*

**Dave Vachowiak**  
*(Forest Park Village)*

**Tom Scott**  
*(Aspirus)*

**Ruth Reinicke**  
*(Wausau Manor)*

## THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM YOUTH & KIDS LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON 4PM BAND REHEARSAL 6PM WORSHIP	6:30PM BOOK CLUB	6PM CELEBRATE RECOVERY	5:30PM MS YOUTH GROUP 7PM HS YOUTH GROUP
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
2PM SHEEPSHEAD			10AM WORSHIP 4PM BAND REHEARSAL 6PM WORSHIP

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