

LIVE STREAMING

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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2022 - 10 A.M.

IN THE BEGINNING: PARTNERS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "In the Image of God" Les Fraaza

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

The first words of the Bible are "in the beginning." We know that God was there at the beginning of all things; and that even today, God is the source of new beginnings. As we prepare for worship, consider where Christ has already been the source of blessing in your life, and in what parts of your life you hope the Spirit will inspire something new to spring forth.

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship: Genesis 1:28, Matthew 9:37-38

And God said, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it;

And have dominion over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;

Therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

***Hymn:** "Praise Ye the Lord" (vs. 1,2,3) #35

***Call to Confession:** Isaiah 59:12-13

Isaiah proclaims, "Our transgressions before you are many, and our sins testify against us. Our transgressions indeed are with us, and we know our iniquities." Knowing we too are in need of a Savior, we come together to make our prayer of confession.

***Prayer of Confession:**

You invite us to be partners in your mission, Lord Jesus, but we underestimate and undervalue a true partnership with you. We expect you to do the work that is properly yours, and we usurp your responsibilities and authority for ourselves.

Forgive us for any time we have turned away from you this week. Forgive us for being too busy for you, or for confusing our work and yours. May your victorious death and resurrection renew us today, and grant us fresh strength for the building of your kingdom.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

WEDNESDAY L.I.F.E. — Wednesday L.I.F.E. continues September 21 at 6pm for kids and adults (adults are studying C.S. Lewis' "The Screwtape Letters").
Note: We will not be having meals this year.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY — Our study of the Gospel of John continues *THIS* Tuesday, September 20 for the women (meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. All are welcome!

FAITH & FITNESS — Our Faith & Fitness ministry is an opportunity to get fit, stay healthy, and spend time discussing the Gospel and our Savior! Join us every Thursday evening at 4:30pm (starting *THIS* Thursday, September 15 in the Activity Room downstairs for an hour of exercise and devotions. Contact Deb Tice (debtice77@yahoo.com) with any questions.

SMALL GROUPS — If you are interested in being part of a small group and want to learn more, join us *TODAY* after worship in Bouldin Hall. You can also speak with Jim Gates about getting involved or mark the back of your Connection Card.

SMALL GROUP FOR RETIRED SINGLES— CCPC has a small group for people who are single and retired. This group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the Cry Room, including *THIS* week, September 21. Contact Bonnie Rogers (715-370-7618 or rogersski1@gmail.com) if you have questions.

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

FAMILY MEAL & SERVICE NIGHT — Wednesday, September 28 will be a special night for Kid's Ministry volunteers, teachers, kids, and parents to break bread together and get to know each other! It will also be a night to explore how young families can serve their church and the community! Come be with us at 6pm!

FAMILY FALL FUN DAY — Join us for an afternoon of fall fun at Schairer's Autumn Acres on Saturday, October 1 from 3-6pm. This is a free event; however, you will need to get tickets from Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) to present for entry. Come and enjoy animals, games, food, rides, and the corn maze!

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH — Students who are 6th through 12th are invited to Salt & Light Youth Group on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30pm, including this week, September 21! You can also go to our website to learn about all the events coming up (www.covenantcommunitypc.org/youth-ministry)! Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

KID'S MINISTRY PROGRAMMING — Kid's I.D. (Sundays at 9am), Kid's Worship/Wiggles (during service), and Kid's L.I.F.E. (Wednesdays at 6pm) share the same Bible story each week, but with different emphasis. Join us for these amazing times of growth for your kiddos and see their relationship with Jesus flourish! Contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BABY ANNOUNCEMENT — Aspen James Barnes was born to Alex and Amy Barnes on September 2. Aspen's grandparents are Rick and Paula.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE — Our new contemporary worship service is at 6pm every Sunday night, with the same sermon as Sunday morning, but with a very different music style and less liturgy. If you plan on attending this service regularly, we are interested in a commitment from a small group of people who could be the "core" for this service. Mark your Connection Card if interested.

DIRECTORY PHOTO REGISTRATION IS OPEN! — The photo sittings for our new photo directory will be September 27-30 (2-8:30pm) and also on October 1 (10am-4:30pm). You can go to our website to sign up, or register at the table out in the Narthex if you would like assistance.

CCPC 101—Would you like to know more about CCPC, our beliefs, and our ministries? Thinking about making this your church home? We will cover all these topics and answer all your questions after worship *NEXT* Sunday, September 25 in the Bouldin Hall conference room. We will provide food and childcare for this event that typically runs 1 hour and 45 minutes. Please speak with Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) if interested.

SERVE

SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS — There are *ALWAYS* opportunities for volunteering at CCPC, and it is no different this year! Sunday morning help is critical to the function, presentation, and hospitality of our worship services. To that end, we are looking for folks to be greeters, HUB attendants, slide/livestream/audio operators, Gatekeepers (security), counters/ushers, and more for our AM (and PM) service. If you are interested in being a part of our teams, please mark your interest on the Connection Card, or contact Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org).

WORSHIP & WIGGLES/NURSERY ATTENDANT — Can you serve in the evenings at our new service? We are looking for a few people to supervise in the nursery for kids under 5 that need a break from the service. Not available in the evenings? We are also looking for volunteers for the nursery during the morning service as well! Contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) if interested.

CLEANING CREW FOR KIDS MINISTRY — We are looking for a couple of folks willing to help clean in the Kid's Ministry wing of our building. Biggest needs include vacuuming, cleaning toys, and wiping tables on a weekly basis. Contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) if interested.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

INSTITUTE OF DISCIPLESHIP (I.D.) — Continues every Sunday morning at 9am for all ages! Adults meet in the Cry Room, kids are downstairs along with middle schoolers (6th-8th), and high school students are in the Bouldin Hall loft.

*Assurance of Pardon:

Isaiah 59:20-21

Isaiah continues, saying, "And he will come to Zion as Redeemer, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression, says the LORD. And as for me, this is my covenant with them, says the LORD: my spirit that is upon you, and my words that I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the mouths of your children, or out of the mouths of your children's children, says the LORD, from now on and forever." Believe the good news – Jesus came as Redeemer and left the Spirit with us forever. Thanks be to Him! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Period of Fellowship

*Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth" (vs. 1) #14
"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" (vs. 1,4) #12

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4 Page 1
Special Music: "Almost Home" Deb & Kent Perrin
New Testament Reading: Matthew 9:35-10:1 Page 9
Sermon: "In the Beginning: Partners" Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" (vs. 1,2,4) #761

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory Music: "Forever" Marcy Fehrman & Les Fraaza

*Doxology

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "O God, You are my God" #743

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.

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!

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| <p>Worship Leader: Deb Tice</p> <p>Acolytes: Bradley Kyle & Eli Baumann</p> <p>Elder Greeters: Bob Gebauer & Shelby Waraksa</p> | <p>Greeters: Bonnie Achterberg & Cheryl Falkowski</p> <p>The Hub: Barb Lamping</p> <p>Fellowship: Dan & Patty Luessenhop</p> |
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PRAYER REQUESTS

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

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| <p>Mary Zuidema
<i>(Renaissance in Wisconsin Rapids)</i></p> <p>Stella Lamping
<i>(Home)</i></p> | <p>Joyce Michna
<i>(Fond du Lac)</i></p> <p>Cheryl Lenz
<i>(Colonial Center in Colby)</i></p> | <p>Mike Petterson
<i>(Riverview Assisted Living)</i></p> |
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THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>		<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	
9AM	I.D./CONFIRM.			12PM	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	1PM	RETIRED SINGLES SMALL GROUP
9AM	KID'S MUSIC			7PM	CELEBRATE RECOVERY	6PM	YOUTH GROUP
10AM	WORSHIP					6PM	KID'S/ADULT L.I.F.E.
11:15AM	SMALL GROUP INFO. MEETING					6PM	BELL CHOIR PRACTICE
11:15AM	WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP					7PM	ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE
4PM	BAND REHEARSAL						
6PM	WORSHIP						
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
10AM	PRESBYTERY MEETING					9AM	I.D./CONFIRM.
2PM	SHEEPSHEAD					9AM	KID'S MUSIC
4:30PM	FAITH & FITNESS					10AM	WORSHIP
						11:15AM	WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP
						4PM	BAND REHEARSAL
						6PM	WORSHIP

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