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# COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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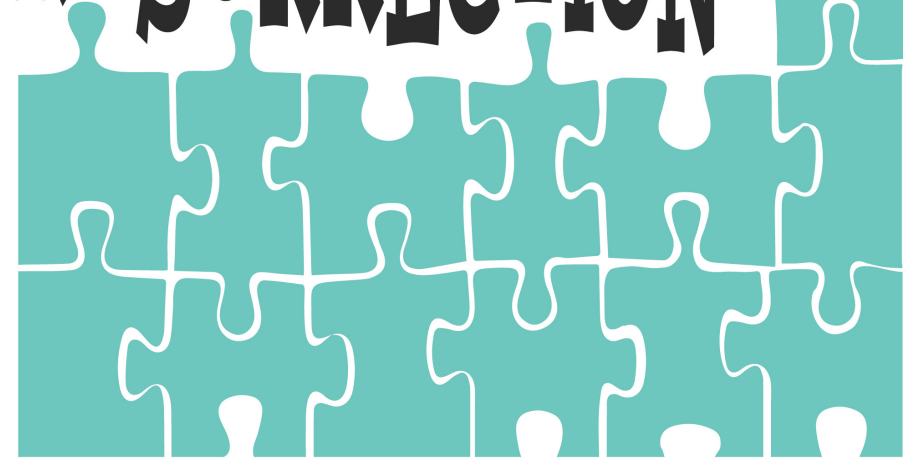
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# RESURRECTION

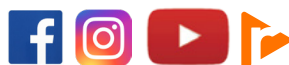


## UNITED: A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2023 - 10 A.M.

# UNITED: RESURRECTION

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**Prelude:** "Resurrection Medley" 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:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

**\*Hymn:** "Thine is the Glory" (vs. 1,2,3) #238

**\*Call to Confession:** 1 Corinthians 15:9

*Paul reflects on his own story, saying, "For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God." We all recognize sin in our lives that would, apart from Christ, make us unfit to be disciples. Therefore, we join together in our prayer of confession.*

**\*Prayer of Confession:**

**You choose us, O Father, not due to our actions but in spite of them. You call us, O Spirit, not because of our faithfulness but in the midst of our unbelief.**

**You claim us, O Christ, not as the sinners we are, but as the saints you make us. By your grace, forgive our sins this week; help us to die to our old selves, and be resurrected in new life and holiness with you, O Triune God.**

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

**YOUTH KICKOFF!** — All 6-12th graders are invited to join us for the start of a new year *THIS* 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 *NEXT* Sunday, 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 *NEXT* Sunday, 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** — *The schedule for Youth Group 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.

**BIBLE SUNDAY/COMMUNION CLASS** — Sunday, September 24 will be a wonderful day of presenting Bibles to 3-year-olds, 3rd graders, and Confirmation students during worship! It is CCPC's tradition to share this gift with kids at important stages of growth and learning. We will follow it up with "The Lord's Supper", an informational class for kids and parents of all ages discussing the Sacrament of Communion, what it means to us, why we do it, and what Scripture has to say about it. This will take place in the Sanctuary after worship.

**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.

CCPC BUDGET/ATTENDANCE

**THROUGH JUNE 2023:**

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

**AUGUST 27 ATTENDANCE:**

AM In-Person Total: **211**  
 AM Livestream Total: **66**  
 PM In-Person Total: **30**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHURCH CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY** — Due to the Labor Day holiday, the church building will be closed *TOMORROW*, September 4.

**FALL KICKOFF/CHURCH PICNIC**— Join us *NEXT* Sunday, September 10, for our Fall Kickoff! The day starts with 9am I.D. classes for all ages, followed by our new, yearlong sermon series, the CCPC Ministry Fair, and our church picnic which will include amazing food, Bingo, the CCPC Cornhole tournament (sign up at the Hub), and bouncy houses for the kids. Invite friends, family, neighbors and coworkers with invitation cards being distributed when you leave the Sanctuary today!

**CCPC MINISTRY FAIR** — Our third annual Ministry Fair will take place in Bouldin Hall following worship *NEXT* Sunday, September 10. We will have tables and representatives sharing how you can get involved in all aspects of CCPC. Whether you are a charter member, or a first-time visitor, this is a great event to engage in areas of spiritual growth. ***This year we will also have volunteers to assist in getting you set up with all of our technology tools. From our Church Center app and Volunteer Services app, to RightNow media and the Bible app, we'll get you squared away! So bring your devices!*** Don't forget about the raffle prizes that will be up for grabs!

**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 or giving online.

## BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

**RETIRED SINGLES SMALL GROUP** — Our retired singles small group will be meeting at The Filling Station on 6th Street in Wausau *THIS* Wednesday, September 6 at 11:30am. The small group typically meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1pm here at the church. Contact Bonnie Rogers ([rogersski1@gmail.com](mailto:rogersski1@gmail.com)) 715-370-7618) with questions.

**ADULT I.D. RETURNS** — Our Adult I.D. class meets in the Cry Room and will resume *NEXT* Sunday, 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.

**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 Cry Room.

## MISSIONS & VOLUNTEERING

**CHURCH PICNIC FOOD & VOLUNTEERS** — There are still plenty of opportunities to serve at this year's Fall Kickoff Picnic *NEXT* Sunday, September 10! We will need help with setup, cleanup, food preparations, and more! Please see the signup at The Hub! For the food itself, 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. If you have any questions regarding the food, please contact Stephanie Smith ([stephanie.smith@sentry.com](mailto:stephanie.smith@sentry.com)).

**\*Assurance of Pardon:** 1 Corinthians 15:9  
*The good news comes in Paul's continued story: "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me." We too are saved and sent by the grace of the Lord Jesus! Thanks be to God. Amen.*

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

### Children's Message

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

### Period of Fellowship

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:11-34 Page 176

**Special Music:** "In Christ Alone" Caitlin Kyle & Susan Schumann

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:35-58 Page 177

**Sermon:** "United: Resurrection" Jim Gates

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*Hymn:** "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" (vs. 1,2) #240

### The Sacrament of Communion:

#### Offering

**Offertory Music:** "Rise Again" Herb Westlund

#### \*Doxology

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*Benediction

**\*Choral Benediction:** "When Peace Like a River" (vs. 4) #840

## 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!

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| <b>Worship Leader:</b> Stephanie Finamore<br><b>Acolytes:</b> Eli Baumann & LJ Martin<br><b>Elder Greeter:</b> Glenn Lamping & Julie Nelson<br><b>The Hub:</b> Dianne Abel | <b>Live Stream:</b> Jack Dupuis<br><b>Slides:</b> Luke Coenen<br><b>Gatekeeper:</b> Joe Johnson<br><b>Usher Lead:</b> Craig Briggs<br><b>Fellowship Hour:</b> Julie & Jerry Trebus |
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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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| <b>Mary Zuidema</b><br><i>(Renaissance in Wisconsin Rapids)</i> | <b>Joyce Michna</b><br><i>(Fond du Lac)</i>             | <b>Dave Vachowiak</b><br><i>(Forest Park Village)</i> |
| <b>Stella Lamping</b><br><i>(Home)</i>                          | <b>Cheryl Lenz</b><br><i>(Colonial Center in Colby)</i> | <b>Tom Scott</b><br><i>(Home)</i>                     |
|   | <b>Jim Palmer</b><br><i>(Rennes)</i>                    | <b>Ruth Reinicke</b><br><i>(Wausau Manor)</i>         |

### THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
10AM WORSHIP 4PM BAND REHEARSAL 6PM WORSHIP		6PM CELEBRATE RECOVERY	11:30AM RETIRED SINGLES SMALL GROUP AT FILLING STATION  6PM MS/HS YOUTH KICKOFF - BROOMBALL - ICE CREAM SUNDAE  7PM CHOIR PRACTICE
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
2PM SHEEPSHEAD			9AM ID FOR ALL AGES/ CONFIRMATION 10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM MINISTRY FAIR 11:20AM CHURCH PICNIC 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.