

Pastor on call for pastoral care this week:

Sun., Mon., Tue., Wed., Sat. - Tracy 614-946-2982 Thur., Fri. - Jim 614-886-3681

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rick Cosgray	Charlie Friske's sister	Orlene Shimberg	Ellen Greegor
Kay Hantak	Don Rorapaugh	Madison Hanosek	Heather
Jenny	Maureen	Paul Danielson	Nate
Jessie	Elizabeth Remnant	Sam McCamny	Holden Keefer
Lanny Long	Kenneth G. Rogers Sr.	Kay Olson	4-year-old boy
Maria Felston	Kay Fuller	CPC Member & Brother	Disaster victims/responders
Chuck Winslow	Brenda Wheatcraft	Dave Scott	Bill Carr
Joan Sanford	Thereza's baby nephew	Karen Owen	Don & Joan
Ted Macosko	Stephanie McNally	Mary Doersam	Anne Rorapaugh
Clara O'Connell	Sandra	Sarah Eagleson	Amy Donohue
Linda Van Aman	John	Dorothy & Warren	Marta Palmerton
Wayne Weiss & family	Susan Garmhausen	Scott Epling family	Brenda
Bob Crook	J.B.	May Summers	Janie McCoy
Cherie Brooks	Cathy Spicer	Anita	Jutta
Pam Murphy	Renate & Craig Curtis		

HOMEBOUND/LIMITED MOBILITY

Margaret Robertson	Stan Eriksen	Peggy Dinger	Judy Sechler
Harrison Gardner	Maggie Broekema	Joanne Borrer	

Call the office, 451-6677, or email JP when you want a name added or removed. New names will stay on the list for one month. If you'd like the name to remain on the list after that, please call the office.



OUR MISSION - Covenant Presbyterian Church is an open, accepting community awakening to God's life-giving love together.

OUR VISION - Covenant Presbyterian Church glorifies God and builds relationships with Christ and each other through: worship that inspires, nurture that embraces, education that challenges, fellowship that energizes, ministry that responds.

Sunday Worship Services:

Traditional: 8:30am and 11:00am, Sanctuary; Alternative *Gathering*: 10am, Fellowship Hall
Office Hours: Mon.-Thur. 8:30am-4:00pm; Fri. 8:30am-12:00pm



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Honoring Our Connections



Celebration of Worship

June 24, 2018 - 8:30am and 11:00am

- **Covenant Church welcomes children in worship.** There is a nursery for infants through age 2 in Rm 101 in the educational wing. Worship bags with quiet activities for children to use during services are available inside the cart that holds our name tags.
- **Large print bibles and hymn books are on the credenza in the Narthex.**
- **Prayer request cards** are collected during Fellowship Moments.
- **Hearing devices** are available. Ask an usher for assistance. Also, the Sanctuary, Lounge and Fellowship Hall are wired with a **Telecoil audio loop** system for digital hearing aids.
- **Please silence your cell phone**, but feel free to join the staff in Tweeting high points of the service: @CovenantGather, @tr_keenan, @katiekinnison, and Puppet (our friend from Sunday morning Talk with Children) @Puppet2070

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Ushers: 8:30 Connie Kennedy, Scott Mizer, Andy Clark, Doug Teske

11:00 Frank Croft, Rusty Miller, Bob Tullett, Sandy Tullett

Greeters: 8:30 Charlie Bergmann, Connie Bergmann

11:00 Bill Balderaz, Rusty Miller, Steve Zilles

Musicians: Nan Davidson, piano; Jason Keefer, organ; Bell Sextet: Nan Davidson, Laura Hooks, Amy Kendall, Jude McLean, Lynn Turney, Jenny Watson

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP & PROGRAM STAFF

Rev. Tracy Keenan, Pastor/Head-of-Staff - tracykeenancovenantpcusa.org

Rev. Katie Kinnison, Associate Pastor for Spiritual Formation - katherinekinnisoncovenantpcusa.org

Rev. Jim Mehler, Parish Associate - jimmehlercovenantpcusa.org

Cherie Brooks, Director of Music - cheriebrooks.covenantpcusa.org

Katie Wynkoop, Organist/Pianist - katie.wynkoop@att.net

Caroline McGeoch, Director, Covenant Children's Center - childcentercovenantpcusa.org

Erin Wise, Director of Children's Ministry - erinwise3@yahoo.com

Shea Watts, Director of Youth Ministry - sheawattscovenantpcusa.org

Shane Spicer, Assistant for Children's Ministry - jagsniche@gmail.com

Flowers by the pulpit are from Dick & Charlotte Sharpe in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary. Flowers by the lectern are from Mary Ann Porter in celebration and remembrance of a life well-lived, to honor Jack Lyons' 100th birthday.

PRELUDE 8:30 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *Patricia Sanders Cota*
11:00 “Prelude in D Major” *K. F. Fischer*
“Blessed Jesus, We Are Here” *J. S. Bach*

GREETINGS & PASSING OF THE PEACE 8:30 Shea Watts; 11:00 Jim Mehler
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

INTROIT NO. 64 “I Long for Your Commandments” (verse 3; remain seated)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In a room full of tentative souls, wanting to be faithful to the Risen Christ,
but not sure how,

**People: The Holy Spirit swept upon them like a mighty wind and rested on
each one like a fiery blessing,**

Leader: And they were filled to overflowing with heavenly life and love

**People: So that they could not keep silent, but had to lift up their voices in
praise and thanksgiving in every language!**

ALL: Praise God! Laudate Dominum! Alleluia! God is good!

***HYMN NO. 54** “Make a Joyful Noise to God! (Psalm 66)” *DIX*

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** (please be seated)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Holy Spirit, Advocate, Sustainer, we so often ignore your presence
and think that we are left to our own inadequate striving.**

**Remind us again and again that your power is poured out upon us,
that your power can flow through us, renewing our faith,
refreshing our love, and revitalizing our lives. Let us speak truth,
extend forgiveness, and be filled with your life-changing love
so that we can partner with you in changing the world. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

FELLOWSHIP MOMENTS

Tracy Keenan

Sign the fellowship pad & pass it to your neighbor. (Prayer request cards collected.)

TALK WITH CHILDREN Puppet & Jim
*We encourage children to stay with us in worship. We try to keep the worship experience engaging
and participatory for all ages. Some little ones who are too restless to remain in the Sanctuary for
the full hour, with their grown-ups' permission, at this time may go to Room 112 for Wiggle Worship.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER 8:30 Jim Mehler; 11:00 Shea Watts
Our Father who art in heaven... (Hymnal pg. 35. We say “debts” & “debtors.”)

FIRST READING Exodus 20:12-16 OT pg. 66
Lay Readers: 8:30 Gail Griffin; 11:00 Janet Gross

GOSPEL READING Matthew 22:34-40 NT pg. 25
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

***RESPONSE: HYMN NO. 62** “Love the Lord Your God” *GREAT COMMANDMENT*

SERMON *Ten Commandments - Honoring Our Connections* Tracy Keenan preaching

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory 8:30 “For the Beauty of the Earth” *Patricia Sanders Cota*
11:00 “Prayer” *Craig Phillips*

*Doxology No. 607 *OLD HUNDREDTH*
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN NO. 372** “O For a World” *AZMON*

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING

...Know this and go
In Christ's love and peace and power.

POSTLUDE 8:30 “Come! Live in the Light!” *Davis Haas*
11:00 “God of Grace” *Paul Manz*

After worship services, Stephen Ministers will be up in front on the bells side to pray with anyone who desires it.

**All who can comfortably do so, please stand.*

Today

- 8:30a - **Worship** in the Courtyard
- **Children:** Wiggle Worship
- 9:30a - **Men's Spirituality**, 120
- 10:00a - **Gathering**, Fellowship Hall,
*Apostle/Apostate: Reformed,
Reforming or Reified?*
- **Treasure Finders**
- **Youth Worship**, Chapel
- 11:00a - **Worship** in the Sanctuary
- **Children:** Wiggle Worship
- 12:15p - ***The Interfaith Movement**, Lounge
- 3:30p - **Delany Wedding**, Sanctuary
- 6:30p - **Bible Study today**, 120

***The Interfaith Movement: A Conversation Led by Charlotte Gross**

Today, 12:15pm, Lounge

Have you ever wondered about how your faith connects to other people's faiths? The Interfaith Movement is about learning about other faiths while strengthening your own. Come to lunch and learn about the Interfaith Movement from one of Covenant's own young adult members. Lunch will be provided so please RSVP to Charlotte Gross, cegross@owu.edu.

Week at a Glance

Tues., June 26

1:00p Mission Sewing, 121

Wed., June 27

10:30a Staff Meeting, TK office

11:30a CPC Bridge, Lounge

Fri., June 29

8:15a Centering Prayer, Lounge

9:30a Prayer Shawl Circle, Lounge

How's the Stewardship Campaign Going?

Encouraging news in each age group:

* Ages 49 and under - they TRIPLED the number of pledging units!

* Ages 50-64 - HALF of last year's givers have pledged DOUBLE what the whole age group gave last year!

* Ages 65-79 - They have INCREASED their giving by 35%!

* Ages 80 and over - they are still our ROCK STARS, sustaining us through solid and generous giving!

We're expecting to end this fiscal year slightly under budget.

This is from 154 out of our 383 households. We're still counting on the OUTSTANDING PLEDGES to make our budget for the coming year, we have carefully created a budget that would allow us to continue all our ministries, mission, and programming. God is doing great things through you!

Questions? Contact Ingrid Smith in our Finance Office at 614-451-6677

June 25-30

Centering Prayer

Fridays, 8:15am, Lounge

Stay awake to God's presence in your life. Contact Katie Kinnison for more information.

Mission Sewing

Tuesdays, 1pm, 121

Crochet, knit, sew and quilt to support mission endeavors. No skill required. Come, learn.

July 1-7

The Art of Neighboring

Sun., July 1, 9:45am, Lounge

Love God. Love Yourself. Love Your Neighbor. Come hear Terri Hayes and join in a celebration. In honor of Upper Arlington celebrating 100 years, all 19 UA churches are organizing neighborhood block parties. Think of your house as the center block with eight other blocks/houses around you. That is the block party...just your neighbors. Invest your time in your neighbors for a few hours to say hello over dinner, drinks, ice cream. Host a block party with just your neighbors to be a good neighbor. Step out from being a stranger to being an acquaintance toward sharing a relationship with your neighbors.

Support Survivors of Human Trafficking

July 5 (1st Thur./Month), 11am, meet at church

Serve lunch at CATCH Court to women rebuilding their lives. Sign up at Mission & Social Concerns in the hall. Contact Katie Kinnison. **We also make toiletry kits.** 5 to 8 bags/month. \$15 each. Make checks out to *Covenant*, with HT BAGS on the memo line.

Women's Theology

1st & 3rd Fridays, 9:30-11:30am, Rm. 120

Unbelievable: Why Neither Ancient Creeds Nor the Reformation Can Produce a Living Faith Today (parts 1 & 2) by John Shelby Spong.

July 8+

Have Ideas That We Can Study?

Sun., July 8, 12pm

Join the Spiritual Development and Adult Learning Commission for *Lunch & Conversation* to determine what we'd like to learn and explore. RSVP Katie Kinnison.

VBS Volunteer Workshop

Sun., July 8, 12:15pm

All VBS Guides are asked to attend our (short) VBS training workshop. We'll have a brief overview of the stories, what to expect during the week, discuss decorations and answer all of your questions. Keep calm and raft on!

Blood Drive

Mon., July 9, 2-7pm, Fellowship Hall

Give the gift of life. Sign up to donate blood. Call Tiffany Epling, 518-431-9280, hager41@hotmail.com. Or go to redcross-blood.org to use code: covenant.

Parents' Night Out

Fri., July 13, 6-8:30pm (2nd Fri./month)

We host and feed children so that their parents can go be grown-ups and play. Please register by Tues., July 10 at <http://tinyurl.com/covenantpno>. Contact Erin Wise, erinwise3@yahoo.com.

Men's Breakfast

Sat., July 14, (2nd Sat./month), 8am,

First Watch, Kingsdale

Contact Allan Kennedy, 614-451-9318.

Ongoing & Other News

Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers began building a house at 1603 Myrtle Ave. in Linden. Volunteer Thursdays 8:30-noon, and Saturdays 8:30am-3pm, or help provide lunches. To work: Charlie Bergmann, 614-572-5059, ctbergmann@yahoo.com. Lunches: Betsy Sebastian, 614-457-4383.

Flower Garden Maintenance. Help weed, deadhead and water the flowers along the SOH garden fence. Just show up at 9am for about an hour: June 27, July 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, Sept. 5, 12.

Covenant & Hoge Presbyterian Church

We partner with Hoge on the Hilltop. (Check our website under *Mission* for details.) Covenant groups are needed to host dinner for 30-50 people. Contact Judy Oeder, jgoeder@hotmail.com.

Covenant makes it easy to give. Check out these electronic options for making donations:

1. Free mobile app: *GivePlus Church*
2. Zelle - Through your bank using giving@covenantpcusa.org
3. Text to a dedicated Covenant number: 614-907-8226
4. PayPal on our website.
5. Auto Debit from your bank account. Fill out the Authorization Form on our website or welcome table.
6. Credit and debit card payments on our website.

Find details and instruction on the welcome table and on our web site!



Vacation Bible School

Mon., July 23 – Fri., July 27

9am–12pm

Ages 3 years old–5th Grade

Our *Rolling River Rampage* invites children on a white-water rafting adventure for the ride of a lifetime with God! Along the river, children discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that they can trust God to be with them through anything. Music, crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories help kids know that God is always with them as they ride the rapids of amazing grace!

Register: tinyurl.com/covenantvbs2018

ALSO, Volunteers needed for VBS! Youth entering 6th grade and older and adults are needed to help teach, feed, entertain, craft, sing, dance and enjoy the children of our church and community. Sign up to help at tinyurl.com/covenantvbsvolunteer2018.

“In a maze we lose ourselves, in a labyrinth we find ourselves.”



Covenant Community

Labyrinth

a quiet little haven of prayer available to everyone.

Maybe you are looking for a new spiritual practice to quickstart or deepen your life in God. Have you tried walking a labyrinth? The labyrinth is a walking meditation. It is a tool that allows us to step out of the chaos and busyness of life, out of the incessant chatter of our inner world, to be still and focus on what we find within. This can be a profound experience of Divine Presence and is always a walk with the Holy One.

Wouldn't it be a wondrous gift to offer this sort of experience not only to one another but also to our Covenant neighbors? We have reached out to our neighbors in many ways, building important connections and serving them with the love of Christ. No strings, just love. Here is another way we can offer our community support and nurturing. Please consider purchasing a paver brick with your etched message for \$100 or a plain brick for \$80. Order forms are on the welcome table in the hall or you may also submit a form and pay with PayPal on our website. Check out the display in the hallway for a list of some current dedications.