

Pastors on call for pastoral care this week:

Sat., Sun., Mon., Wed. - Tracy 614-946-2982

Tues., Fri. - Katie 614-625-1335 Thurs. - Jim 614-886-3681

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sandy Schupp	Dan Rasche	Sam McCamy	Manette Friske
Mike Van Aman	Rick Cosgray	Betty Raup	Charlie Friske's sister
Bekkah Friske	Marianne Dodson	Mary Doersam	Orlene Shimberg
Ellen Greigor	Kay Hantak	Don Rorapaugh	Madison Hanosek
Larry Limes	Carol	Heather	Becky
Jenny	Maureen	Jared	Lydia
Mary Jane Bogart	Kay Moore	David White	DeRoberts family
Linda Patterson	Leroy Bundy	Neva	Mimi Billman
Betty	Allison	Al Odenath	Paul Danielson
Dave Ulry	Ann & Ronny Ferguson	Nate	Jessie
Joanne Borrer	Fallon, Gavin, Maddox, Nora	John	Phil Hall
Jeff	Jenny Flynn	Chip Geckeler	Alan Williams
Dave Ulry	Rachel Timmons	Frank Fredricka	Sarah Starr

HOMEBOUND/LIMITED MOBILITY

Margaret Robertson	Stan Eriksen	Bob Bartels	Peggy Dinger
Judy Sechler	Harrison Gardner	Maggie Broekema	

Keep us updated on those who should be on the prayer list. 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, call the office.



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.

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

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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Blessing of Riders & Bikes, Trikes, Scooters, Skateboards, Wheelchairs.....



**Celebration of Worship
May 21, 2017 - 8:30am & 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 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, @katiekin-nison, and Puppet (our friend from Sunday morning Talk with Children) @Puppet2070

Ushers: 8:30 Carol Smathers, David Smathers, Karl Craven, Dale Mellen
11:00 Dana Rudmose, Tom Hoover, Robert Gross, Pete McGeoch

Greeters: 8:30 Jeanie Auseon, Andy Clark
11:00 Betsy Campbell, Dick Campbell, Peggy Hicks

Musicians: Jim Eder, bass; Adult Handbell Ensemble: Nan Davidson, Jude McLean, Laura Hooks, Crystal King, Lisa Swartz; Chancel Choir

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP & PROGRAM STAFF

Tracy Keenan, Pastor/Head-of-Staff - tracykeenan@covenantpcusa.org
Katie Kinnison, Associate Pastor for Spiritual Formation - katherinekinnison@covenantpcusa.org
Jim Mehler, Parish Associate - jimmehler@covenantpcusa.org
Cherie Brooks, Director of Music - cheriebrooks@covenantpcusa.org
Katie Wynkoop, Organist/Pianist - katie.wynkoop@att.net
Caroline McGeoch, Director, Covenant Children's Center - childcenter@covenantpcusa.org
Erin Wise, Director of Children's Ministry - erinwise3@yahoo.com
Shea Watts, Director of Youth Ministry - sheawatts@covenantpcusa.org
Shane Spicer, Assistant for Children's Ministry - jagsniche@gmail.com

Flowers by the chancel are dedicated to the riders of bikes, cycles, trikes, skateboards, wheelchairs.....

PRELUDE

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

INTROIT “Holy, Holy, Holy”

arr. Douglas Wagner

CALL TO WORSHIP

A bleak and misty morning

Just before the dawning day

Grave clothes were discarded

That stone was pushed away

Death itself was shaken off

Leaves tumbled in the wind

When Love broke through that granite wall

And all that held it in

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

***HYMN NO. 307** “God of Grace and God of Glory”

CWM RHONDDA

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful One, only in You can we unmask the fear that rules our lives. We fear we will lose what we have, not get what we want, that the world is not going the way we want it to. Those fears are what lurk behind every wrong impulse. But perfect love casts out fear, and the only perfect love is the love to be found in You. Roll away the stone from our hearts and open our spirits to Your love and life. Amen.

(Silent reflection)

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.)

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

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 Katie Kinnison
Our Father who art in heaven... (Hymnal pg. 35. We say “debts” & “debtors.”)

FIRST READING Psalm 66:8-20

OT pg. 528

Lay Readers: 8:30 John Griffin; 11:00 Mary Hoyt Hemmer

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-3

NT pg. 225

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Those Old Scots*

Tracy Keenan preaching

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Those who are able, please bring your pledge cards forward. Ushers can come to you if you need to remain seated. If you have already sent in your pledge, feel free to come forward and touch the basket as a gesture of your giving.

Offertory 8:30 “Sing Ye a Joyful Song”

Antonín Dvorák

11:00 “One Faith, One Hope, One Lord”

Craig Courtney

*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. 731** “Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm”

REPTON

***BENEDICTION AND SENDING**

...Know this and go

In Christ's love and peace and power.

POSTLUDE Reprise of *REPTON*

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

Today

Blessing of Bikes & Riders

- 8:30a - Worship** in the Sanctuary
 - **Children:** Joyful Noise/Wiggle Worship
- 10:00a - Gathering**, Katie Kinnison preaching
 - Joyful Noise/Treasure Finders
 - **Spiritual Verge** (grades 6-8)
- 10:30a - Choir Rehearsal**
- 11:00a - Worship** in the Sanctuary
 - **Children:** Wiggle Worship
- 4:00p - Verge**
- 5:30p - Youth, F3**
- 6:30p - Bible Study**, 120. Lisa Wallace

11am Worship Services Streamed Live at YOUTUBE.COM. *covenantpresbyterianoh.*

Previous worship services, music and special events are also available there. Also, listen to previous sermons on our web site.

Flower Dedication. Commemorate a special day or loved one with Sunday flowers. Only \$36. See Anna Jo Beeson.

Week at a Glance

Mon., May 22

6:30p Stephen Ministry, Lounge

Tues., May 23

8:15a Centering Prayer, Lounge
 11:00a Parkinson's, Fellowship Hall
 1:00p Mission Sewing, 121
 1:30p Staff Meeting, Tracy's office
 6:00p Parenting Dinner/Discussion, Lounge
 6:15p Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wed., May 24

12:00p CPC Bridge, Lounge
 1:00p Bible Study, 120
 7:00p Benefit Concert, Sanctuary

Thurs., May 25

7:00p Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Fri., May 26

9:30a Prayer Shawl Circle, Lounge
 12:00p CPW Bible Study Prepr, Library
 6:00p *The Handmaid's Tale*, Lounge

Sat., May 27

8:00a Connecting w/God Men's Breakfast, Lounge

NOTE: Church is closed Mon., May 29 for Memorial Day

URGENT: Drivers Needed to Deliver SOS Food!

The SOS Pantry team delivers food to families 5 days a week. The number of new families continues to grow so please sign up to help deliver food. Also, we need canned fruit, condensed and chunky style soups, peanut butter, baked beans. Monetary donations help purchase additional fresh food and other items. Note on your donation "SOS Food Pantry." Questions? Contact Mark and Betsy Owen, markowensales@gmail.com or Connie Bohn, conbohn@aol.com.

Part-Time Office Position

We are looking for a Membership Administrator with great organizational and computer database skills and an eye for detail. Word and Excel skills needed. 5-10 hours a week. Great hourly pay. Flexible schedule. Send resume to tracykeenan@covenantpcusa.org.

Children's Center Part-Time Positions, 2017-18 school year. *After School Teacher*, children 5-11, 2:30-6pm, M-F. *Driver*, 2 shifts (11:30am-12:30pm; 2:30-3:30pm). For details, contact Caroline McGeoch, childcenter@covenantpcusa.org.

May 22-27

Centering Prayer

Tuesdays, 8:15am, Lounge

A way of praying that can help you stay awake to God's presence in your life. Katie Kinnison, Sandy Tullett, Cora Kuyvenhoven, Jeff Roedel.

Parents' Dinner & Discussion Group

Tues., May 23, 6pm, Lounge

Topic: *Discipline*. We'll provide the dinner and childcare; you help provide the conversation. All are welcome. RSVP Katie or Erin.

The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood

Fri., May 26, dinner/movie 6pm; discussion 8pm

Read the book, then come eat dinner, see the movie, and have a fabulous discussion. Books are available on the Welcome Table for \$9. RSVP to Katie Kinnison.

Connecting w/God Men's Breakfast

Sat., May 27, 8am, Lounge

Pancakes, gruel, coffee are provided. You can bring something to share. We continue the video series by Marcus Borg entitled "Embracing An Adult Faith – What It Means To Be A Christian" that focuses on understanding issues in contemporary Christian practice and theology. Contact Jim Mehler.

Pledge Update

Many thanks to those of you who have turned in your pledge cards. So far, we've received \$474,600 in pledges from 116 households. If you haven't turned in a pledge card, it's not too late. Pledge cards are located on the Welcome Table in the hallway and in the pews or you can call the Finance Office at 614-451-6677 if you want one mailed to you.

May 28-June 3

Verge & Youth Cook-Out & Pool Party

Sun., May 28, 2-4pm, Speases' house

End of the year bash! Join us for fun in the sun. Let Shea know if you're coming.

June 4+

Honoring Graduates, Sun., June 4

We will honor all graduates in the bulletin and during the services. If you, your child or grandchild is graduating from a degree program this year, send name, degree, and school to JP, joanpogalies@covenantpcusa.org.

Partners with Hoge Presby. Church

June 17, 3rd Sat., 4-7pm, W. Broad, Hilltop

Help prepare, deliver, serve meals for 50+ people. Menus and recipes are available. John Griffin, johnmgriffin3685@gmail.com.

Ongoing & Other News

Support Survivors of Human Trafficking

-1st. Thurs./Month, 11am, meet at church

Serve lunch to women rebuilding their lives. Sign up on the Mission & Social Concerns board in the hall or contact Katie Kinnison.

- We make toiletry kits for women released from jail with nothing. 5-8 bags needed/month. \$15 each. Our middle school youth assemble them and write notes of encouragement. Make checks out to *Covenant*, with *HT BAGS* on the memo line.

Women's Theology

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

Convictions: How I Learned What Matters Most by Marcus Borg, available from Amazon, \$10.



Special Benefit Concert: Rachael Kolis - Wed., May 24, 7pm, Sanctuary

Rachael Kolis is a member of the Hilltop Brass and is raising funds to purchase and train a service dog tailored to her specific medical needs; this dog would provide support for anxiety and depression, notify her of seizures before they happen, put her body into rescue position, and then get help. The cost of the 15-week training program through Buckeye Service Dog is \$7,500 and the dog is \$500-\$1,000. The concert will feature The Hilltop Brass; Covenant Chancel Choir; Campanile Handbell Choir; fabulous local musicians; Brian Gray, baritone; Katie Wynkoop and Cherie Brooks, pianists; Cora Kuyvenhoven, cello; Martin Spencer, vocals; Pei-An Chao, cello; and others. **Verge/youth and anyone else who would like to perform, contact Cherie Brooks, cheriebrooks@gmail.com.** A matching fund application is pending. Rachael also has a GoFundMe page: www.gofundme.com/weg3w-service-dog.

Please use insert to recommend someone for a Deacon or Elder leadership position. 6

Here are the current leaders:

CURRENT ELDERS

Clerk of Session: Jim Hamilton

2017 - Jim Buchanan, Todd Cameron, Lisa Coakley, Louise Davidson, Margaret Molli-Clark, Meghan Rodenfels, Jeff Smith, Martin Spencer

2018 - Tim Augsback, Linda Billman, Linda Gabel, Jim Hamilton, Terri Hayes, Ken Hickey, Cathy Koeneman, Mary Hoyt Hemmer

2019 - Charlie Bergmann, Milissa Campbell, Carol Craven, Mike Davis, John Griffin, Kim Halsey, Bob Tullett, Jenny Watson

CURRENT DEACONS

Moderator: Sharon Steingass

Vice Moderator: Jill Cameron

Secretary: Andrew Patterson

Treasurer: Terry Kennedy-Mancini

2017 - Mona Connolly, Terry Kennedy-Mancini, Pete LuPiba, Bonnie Mitchell, Scott Mizer, Andrew Patterson, Steve Zilles
Youth Deacon: Ali Koeneman

2018 - Jill Cameron, Barry Fonarow, Jan Fonarow, Clara Ireland, Amy Kendall, Connie Kennedy, Chris Primm

2019 - Leroy Bundy, Tiffany Epling, Lynn Mizer, Michael Pierce, Sharon Steingass, Alan Yarletts

Super Heroes are Coming! Registration Now Open!



Vacation Bible School 2017

July 24-28, 9am-noon

Ages 3 years-5th grade

Kids go on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. Epic music, crafty crafts, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids discover their strength in God!

Picnic, Thurs., July 27, 6pm. Bring food to share. All are invited.

1 child \$25. Family \$50.

Register & pay with Paypal on our web site: www.covenantpcusa.org

ALSO we need LOTS of volunteers (entering grade 6-adult) all week and especially to help with check-in on Mon., July 24, 8:30am. **And VBS Set up:** Saturdays July 15 & 22, 9am-12pm. Help us transform our church into Hero Central. No crafting or decorating skills needed, just a desire to hang out with fun people and help make our church look fun and inviting. **Sign up to volunteer:** <https://tinyurl.com/lvrb6uy>