

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

SOUNDING OF THE HOUR

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

MINUTE FOR MISSION

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GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

"Balm in Gilead"

J. Martin

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.
Know that the LORD is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.
For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE # 49

"The God of Abraham Praise"

CALL TO CONFESSION

(few moments of silent prayer)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who loves us,

**You know us, O God; you know us so well—
what we remembered, and what we forgot;
what we promised, and what we really did.**

**In your great mercy, forgive our sin and heal our diseases;
lift us up out of the pit and crown us with your love;
satisfy us with your goodness and renew our lives.**

All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*The confession this morning was written by David Gambrell,
CREDO spiritual faculty for CREDO 2018*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is the steadfast love of God. As far as the east is from the west, so God casts our sins away from us. Friends, believe the good news! In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE # 285, vs. 1

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight,
Like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

*THE PEACE

Leader: As people forgiven by the abundant grace of God,
we are at peace with God,
and we are called to live in peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please take a moment to share the peace of Christ
with those near you.

****Gateway to Worship** (*Children can meet the Gateway leader in the back of the sanctuary near the entrance doors.*)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING (*p. 695—OT*)

Isaiah 65:1-9

GOSPEL READING (*p. 68—NT*)

Luke 8:26-39

SERMON God Will Make a Way

Rev. Paul Helphinstine

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION # 796** *"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God.

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God;
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering

Offertory Solo

"If With All Your Hearts"

Mendelssohn

*Doxology # 606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN OF SENDING # 619**

"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

*For those who are able, please stand.

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****Gateway to Worship** is our worship program for 4-year olds through first graders. The Gateway leader will take the children to their classroom in the Fellowship Hall after the Congregational Response.

Large-print Hymnals are available in the back of the sanctuary; and **large-print bulletins** are on the table in the Narthex.

Hearing Assist Devices are located in the rear of the Sanctuary. Disposable ear buds are available for your convenience. They can be disposed after use in the labeled slot. **Please note**, only one ear bud receives signal, so please check both buds to determine that the unit is working. Contact the church office with any other issues.

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WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you are here. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join with us in service to Christ.

*Please join us in the library immediately following worship
for a time of fellowship and refreshments.*

WORSHIP IN THE PARK—NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

LUNCH Sign-Up Deadline is Monday, June 24!

Please join us at 11:00 AM in the Harris Pavilion at **Rotary Park next Sunday, June 30 for Worship in the Park.** Come one, Come all! Invite your family, friends and neighbors to join us. We all enjoy this service because it allows us to enjoy the beauty of nature while we worship. Dress is very casual (you might bring a light sweater if you tend to get cold). We will have a pavilion that is surrounded by trees, it's a very pleasant setting and because of the shade it isn't too hot. We will have lunch together after the service. The Worship Committee will provide BBQ, buns and beverages. Please bring a salad, dessert or your own specialty to share. We do have access to a kitchen, but with limited refrigerator space so plan accordingly. You may consider bringing a small cooler if your dish needs to be kept cold.

The LUNCH Sign-Up Sheet is in the Narthex. There is a place on the sign-up sheet should you prefer a **veggie burger instead or require a gluten-free bun.** **PLEASE let us know the total number of people who will be coming with you so we will have enough for everyone.**

We hope you will join us! (Directions are shown below and maps are available on the table in the Narthex and will be posted on the church door for anyone who shows up at our door next week needing directions and an explanation as to where we are.)

Directions FROM THE CHURCH to Rotary Park, 1001 N. Broadway St.: If you are not familiar with the area, the simplest way to go is to take Sunset Drive past N. Roan Street (Sunset turns into Princeton Rd.) to Oakland Avenue and turn right. Follow Oakland Ave. to Woodland Ave. and turn left. Drive one block and turn right onto Broadway Street. Rotary Park will be on your right.

JULY COURIER

As next week is Worship in the Park, the **July Courier** will be mailed to those who normally receive a printed copy. There will be extra printed copies on the table in the Narthex the following week for those who want one.

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS: A CONVERSATION **Sunday, June 30 from 3 – 5 PM at the Willow Tree**

If you were able to join us for the “Women in Politics” conversation in March, then you’ll be glad to know we’re following it up with “Women Entrepreneurs.” We’ll be talking to three wonderful women who decided to start their own successful businesses, and hear their take on what it’s like to be their own boss. Conversationalists are Kat Latham of Johnson City Brewing Company, Valentina Escobar-Gonzales of Beyond Engagement: Social Media Solutions, and Teri Doshier of the Willow Tree Coffeehouse and Music Room (and our host for these events!). This event is free and open to the public so invite your friends. We encourage folks of all backgrounds to attend, and hope to have a diverse audience. **We hope you can join us on Sunday, June 30 from 3:00-5:00 PM at the Willow Tree Coffeehouse and Music Room in downtown Johnson City.**

PENTECOST OFFERING 2019

There is still time to give. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church as a whole to encourage, develop and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. **40% of the Offering will remain with Covenant and will be given to Rise Up!**, a local mission project that makes an impact in the lives of young people within our own community. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency, including Young Adult Volunteers (YAV) and Ministries for Youth. **Please give generously.**

BRIDGE AND GAMES—SCHEDULE CHANGE!

Bridge and Games has begun meeting in the library on Tuesdays at 2:00 PM instead of on Thursdays. Same format: bridge if there are enough players, and card/board games with the non-bridge players. Everyone is welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!! SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

RETREAT—ALTERNATIVE SUMMER PARTY

at the home of Dave & Julie Wood

Fun, Food, Fellowship, Water, Games, Campfire and S’mores.

[Details will be in the July Courier!]

NAME TAGS

Please wear your name tag to make it easier to get to know each other. **If you don’t find one with your name on it, please let us know!**

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is available through our website at **cpcjc.org**. Getting started is easy—just click on the **Online Giving** link. This is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. *If you have any questions, please contact Tina in the church office.*



Covenant Presbyterian Church is proud to have received the designation of being an Earth Care Congregation, through the PC(USA).

Covenant Presbyterian Church has been certified as a **Recovery Congregation** by the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.



TODAY AT COVENANT

Morning Greeter:
Liturgy prepared and arranged by:
Liturgist:
Soloist:
Nursery:

Jim Starr
the Rev. Pat Willard
Ron Smith
Mark Merriman
Maureen/David Knechtel

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor:
Music Director:
Office Administrator:
Administrative Assistant:
Custodian:
Nursery Worker:

Rev. Paul Helphinstine
Jessica Siple
Tina Simon
Shirley Barrett
Marie Britt
Jeanne Gamble

PRAYER CONCERNS

*If you have placed someone on the prayer list, please contact the office with a brief update regarding the name you submitted or let us know that it’s ok to remove that name from the list. **If the need is singular and temporary, the name and the concern will remain on the list for four (4) weeks.** This will help us pray more specifically and be more intentional in our prayers for one another.*

Week of June 23—29, 2019.

Bob Thompson, Phyllis Thompson’s father, who has been in the hospital with parainfluenza 3 (HPIV) and is on the road to recovery.
Betty Thompson, Phyllis Thompson’s mother, who also caught the virus but did not have to be hospitalized and is recovering.
Helen Davis, who is at Princeton Transitional Care, room 705, for rehab following her stay in the hospital.
Ed Wolff, who is recovering from outpatient arm surgery.
Jim Paveglia, who is suffering from cancer as well as stage 4 kidney failure.

Please remember those in our congregation who are homebound and unable to join us regularly in worship:

Vi Block, Jeter Collins, Lattie Collins, Mary Derouen
Helen Fletcher, Bob Hart, Barbara Quisenberry

Join us in continually lifting up in prayer our mission co-workers:

Bob & Kristi Rice: South Sudan
Jon & Kathy Christiansen: Zimbabwe

and Ministries of the Presbytery:

UKirk ETSU (Pres. Campus Ministry)
Holston Presbytery Camp



In the event of emergency, be aware that our Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Unit is located on the wall outside the front door of the Church Office.

MISSION STATEMENT

Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to glorify and enjoy God. We live knowing that God calls us to be a place of love, support, hope and acceptance regardless of earthly labels; Jesus Christ commissions us to make disciples and passionately share our gifts with the world through prayer, teaching, and service; the Holy Spirit allows us to determine and carry out Christ’s will for our lives and the life of our church, and empowers us to seek out and respond to the needs of our local and global community.

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JUNE 23, 2019

2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Teach us, good Lord,
to serve you as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labor and not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that we do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today, June 23

9:30a – 9:55a Weekly Prayer Group
9:45a & 10:00a Sunday School
11:00a Worship Service
12:30p Local & World Missions Committee Mtg.
7:00p N.A. Meeting

Monday, June 24 – PARK LUNCH SIGN-UP DEADLINE

8:30a N.A. Meeting
5:00p UKirk Meal (?)
6:30p SAFG
7:00p NarAnon Meeting

Tuesday, June 25

8:30a N.A. Meeting
2:00p – 4:00p Bridge & Games in the Library
6:30p Cub Scouts
7:00p Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, June 26

6:00p GROW
6:00p Handbell Practice
7:00p Chancel Choir
7:00p N.A. Meeting

Thursday, June 27

8:00a Men's Bible Study
Noon Al-Anon Meeting

Friday, June 28

Noon CoDA Meeting
1:30p N.A. Meeting
6:30p Al-Anon Meeting

Sunday, June 30

11:00a Worship in the Park!