

*(As we enter the sanctuary, let us quietly prepare our hearts and minds for worship. Please observe social distancing, keep your masks on while you are in the building, and please silence your cell phones for the duration of the service.)*

## **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

### **SOUNDING OF THE HOUR**

### **WELCOME**

### **GREETING**

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

### **PRELUDE**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: O come, let us sing to the LORD;  
People: **let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**  
Leader: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
People: **let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**  
Leader: For the LORD is a great God,  
People: **and a great King above all gods.**  
Leader: In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
People: **the heights of the mountains are his also.**  
Leader: The sea is his, for he made it,  
People: **and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**  
Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
People: **let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**  
Leader: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,  
People: **and the sheep of his hand.**

*Psalm 95:1-7*

### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE # 667**

*"When Morning Guilds the Skies"*

### **OPENING PRAYER**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

*(Few moments of silent prayer)*

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: Merciful God,  
People: **in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news. When we turn to God seeking forgiveness and renewal, that forgiveness and renewal are freely given. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new and empowered to follow Jesus into the world.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

### **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.**

## **HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

READING FROM THE PSALMS *(p. 559—OT)* Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

GOSPEL READING *(p. 39—NT)* Mark 4:35-41

SERMON The Storm Knows Who God Is Rev. Beth Jarvis

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\*HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION # 697 (vs. 1, 3 & 6) *"Take My Life"*

### **SERVICE OF WELCOME**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' 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 saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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.**

## **GOING OUT TO SERVE**

\*HYMN OF SENDING # 837 *"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"*

### **BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

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\*Please rise, in body or spirit.

**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.

## **Entered into the Church Triumphant: Jeter Collins, June 13, 2021**

*The congregation expresses its deepest sympathy to Lattie Collins in the death of his wife, Jeter, on Sunday, June 13, 2021.*

*We also express our deepest sympathy to Dave & Julie Wood's family in the death of their son-in-law's mother, Ernita Silva, from Covid-19 in Brazil.*

**This morning we once again welcome the Rev. Beth Jarvis to the pulpit.** Beth is an ordained pastor who has preached at Covenant in the past and holds a M.Div. from Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan. She is the Director of the Ministry Resource Center at Emmanuel, and has written for The Lookout, The Other Journal, and the Englewood Review of Books. Beth has 15 years of experience with campus ministries, non-profits, and local churches. She helped start a campus ministry in Tübingen, Germany where she lived for 8 years before returning to the U.S. She and her husband, Daniel Silliman, live in Johnson City, where they enjoy hanging out with friends on their back porch.

## **NEW MEMBER**

This morning we welcome new member **Robert Clark** as he joins with us in the worship and mission of the church.

## **STUFF THE BUS – DEADLINE JULY 6, 2021**

The Local & World Wide Missions Committee continues to collect school supplies for the Johnson City Schools' Homeless Education Program. (see list below) **You may bring items with you on Sundays and place them in the Narthex or drop them in the Good Sam Food carts in front of the church building during the week (M-TH, 10a – 3p).**

If you are unable to shop but would like to support this mission, you may make a monetary donation to the church and the committee will do the shopping for you. Please make your check payable to Covenant and reference "Stuff the Bus" on the memo line. (or in the memo section if you donate online) If you have any questions, please contact Melanie Jones at 423-737-5392. **Remember, the deadline for donations is Tuesday, July 6**, as the bus will arrive on July 7<sup>th</sup> to pick up the supplies!

### **Items Needed:**

Wide ruled composition books	Pencils	Dry erase markers
Wide Ruled paper	Crayola crayons	Scotch tape
Blue/red pens	Markers	Backpacks
Ear Buds	Colored pencils	
Highlighters	Glue sticks	
Scissors (Fiskars style)	Zipper Pencil Pouches/Pencil Boxes	

## **ITEMS FOR UPCOMING GARAGE SALE**

The Local & World Wide Missions Committee wants to remind everyone about the **Church Wide Garage Sale**, which is scheduled for Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds will go toward supporting Covenant's mission activities.

We will accept any donated items, except for clothing. Items are being stored in the classroom next to the kitchen off the Fellowship Hall. (The basement storage area is FULL). The Habitat for Humanity "Restore" will receive all donated items that do not sell.

**If you have items to donate and can get them loaded into your car but are physically unable to get them into the church, bring them with you on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> and we will have people available to help move things inside.**

We also need volunteers to help with organizing, pricing and then working on the day of the sale. If you feel led to help support this effort, contact any of the LWWMC members, or email Don Coble at [dwcoble1@gmail.com](mailto:dwcoble1@gmail.com).

The Local & World Wide Missions Committee thanks everyone for their support of this and all of Covenant's mission activities.

## 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.

## AFFIRMING ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

We at Covenant Presbyterian Church of Johnson City, Tennessee, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church (USA), aka PC(USA), present its Churchwide Antiracism Policy, first adopted in 1999 and revised in 2016. It proclaims the following:

“While recognizing that racism victimizes many different racial ethnic groups, we acknowledge its unique impact on the African American community. Given the particular forms that anti-Black racism has taken in the United States of America, both historically (including slavery and Jim Crow) and today (including mass incarceration, disproportionate policing, economic inequality, and continuing acts of racially oriented violence and hate), we state clearly: GOD LOVES BLACKNESS. Too many have denied this basic truth for too long. Our choice to align ourselves with love and not hate requires both a rejection of racism and a positive proclamation that God delights in Black lives.”

## CPC STATEMENT OF OPENNESS AND WELCOME

We aspire to Christ's model of openness and love for all persons. As God has welcomed us, we also welcome everyone into the life, leadership, and community of Christ's church, regardless of abilities, age, economic status, education, ethnicity, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, social position or any identity or status that might be perceived as separating us from God or one another.

We pledge to affirm the inherent worth and dignity of each of God's children, with membership, leadership, and employment open to whomever God calls.

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

### Today, June 20

8:30a	Issues Class on Zoom
9:30a	Sojourner's Class on Zoom
11:00a	Worship Service
7:00p	N.A. Mtg

### Monday, June 21

10a—3p	Good Sam Food & School Supplies Dropoff
7:00p	NarAnon Mtg

### Tuesday, June 22

10a—3p	Good Sam Food & School Supplies Dropoff
7:00p	Al-Anon Mtg

### Wednesday, June 23

10a—3p	Good Sam Food & School Supplies Dropoff
Noon—2:30p	Sanctuary Reserved
7:00p	N.A. Mtg

### Thursday, June 24

10a—3p	Good Sam Food & School Supplies Dropoff
Noon	Al-Anon Mtg

### Friday, June 25

6:30p	Al-Anon Mtg
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## TODAY AT COVENANT

Morning Greeter:  
Liturgist:

Jim Starr  
Anne Smith

## CHURCH STAFF

Music Director:  
Office Administrator:  
Administrative Assistant:

Jessica Siple  
Tina Simon  
Anne Webb

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Week of June 20—26, 2021

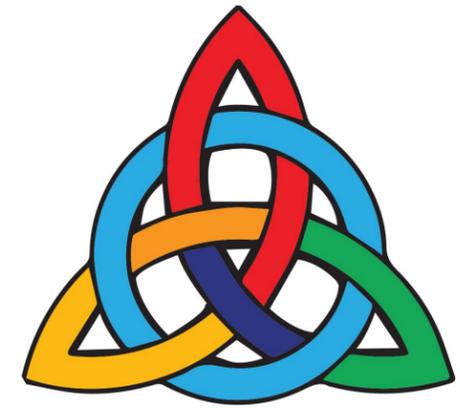
Traci Starr Honeycutt, Jim & Norma Starr's daughter, who continues her recovery at home.  
Pat Zembower, Christian's mother, who is suffering from severe lower back pain, scoliosis, and an infection in her colon area. She is extremely weak and has been in and out of the hospital in recent weeks. Also, please keep Christian's father, Tom, in your prayers as well for he is caretaking her as best he can.  
Gary Davis, Charlotte Corbett's son-in-law.  
Gary Salazar, friend of Cynthia Erdei.  
Sarah Campbell, Sharon Fuhrman's granddaughter.

*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



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## JUNE 20, 2021

## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Fill our worship with grace,

Lord Jesus Christ,

that every thought, word,

and deed may be acceptable to you,

our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

-- based on Psalm 19:14



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.



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.

