

*(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: Blessed are the people who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked,

**People: stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.**

Leader: But their delight is in the law of the LORD,

**People: and on his law they meditate day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

**People: which yields fruit in season and whose leaves do not wither.**

Leader: Others went out on the sea in ships;

**People: they were merchants on the mighty waters.**

Leader: They saw the works of the LORD,

**People: his wonderful deeds in the deep.**

Leader: For he spoke and stirred up

**People: a tempest that lifted high the waves.**

Leader: They mounted up to the heavens

**People: and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away.**

Leader: They reeled and staggered like drunken men;

**People: they were at their wits' end.**

Leader: Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble,

**People: and he brought them out of their distress.**

Leader: He stilled the storm to a whisper;

**People: the waves of the sea were hushed.**

Leader: They were glad when it grew calm,

**People: and he guided them to their desired haven.**

Leader: Let them give thanks to the LORD

**People: for his unfailing love his wonderful deeds for men.**

Leader: Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people

**People: and praise him in the council of the elders.**

*from Psalm 107*

### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE # 475**

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

*(Few moments of silent prayer)*

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises.

**People: Where we have been weak, grant us your strength; where we have been confused, grant us your guidance; where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort; where we have been dead, grant us your life. Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing, in and with you we can do all things. Amen.**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new!

**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. 505—OT) Psalm 30

**GOSPEL READING** (p. 39—NT) Mark 5:21-43

**SERMON** So, Let's Talk About It Rev. Beth Jarvis

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

### **\*HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION # 797, vs. 1 & 3**

*"We Cannot Measure How You Heal"*

#### **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 # 463**

*"How Firm a Foundation"*

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

\*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.

**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.

**This morning we once more 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.

## **COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY**

The **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** will be celebrated next Sunday. Take time this week to prepare yourself in prayer and meditation.

## **NEWSLETTER**

The **JULY COURIER** is on the table in the Narthex, so if you have not already received it via email, please pick up your copy. There are extra copies on the table if you want a printed one, but **first look to see if there's one with your name on it.** You will also find the newsletter and July's calendar on our website: [www.cpcjc.org](http://www.cpcjc.org).

## **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.

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 27

8:30a	Issues Class on Zoom
9:30a	Sojourner's Class on Zoom
11:00a	Worship Service
12:30p	Local & World Wide Missions Comm. Mtg
7:00p	N.A. Mtg

### Monday, June 28

10a—3p	Good Sam Food & School Supplies Dropoff
7:00p	NarAnon Mtg
7:30p	PNC Mtg on Zoom

### Tuesday, June 29

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

### Wednesday, June 30

#### *Church Office Closing at 2p*

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

### Thursday, July 1 *Church Office Closed*

Noon	Al-Anon Mtg
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### Friday, July 2

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

Morning Greeter:  
Liturgist:

Jim Starr  
Stacy Larsen

## CHURCH STAFF

Music Director:  
Office Administrator:  
Administrative Assistant:

Jessica Siple  
Tina Simon  
Anne Webb

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Week of June 27—July 3, 2021

Pat Zembower, Christian's mother, is back in the hospital (from a nursing home) and has now been diagnosed with having cancer in her colon. Surgery is probable but nothing has been finalized yet. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Traci Starr Honeycutt, Jim & Norma Starr's daughter, who continues her recovery at home.

Gary Davis, Charlotte Corbett's son-in-law.

Gary Salazar, friend of Cynthia Erdei.

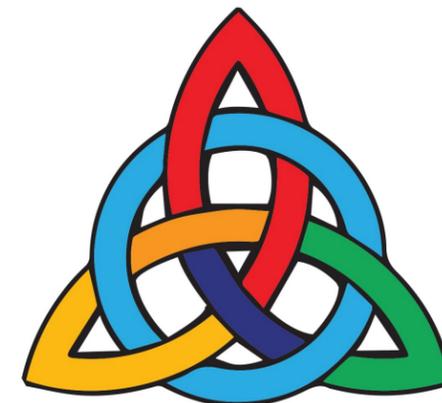
Sarah Campbell, Sharon Fuhrman's granddaughter.

### *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 27, 2021

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

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God, help us to worship you in spirit and in truth, that our consciences may be quickened by your holiness, our minds nourished by your truth, our imagination purified by your beauty, our hearts opened by your love, our wills surrendered to your purpose; and may all this be gathered up in adoration, as we ascribe glory, praise and honor to you alone, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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.

