

MAY COURIER DEADLINE—MONDAY, APRIL 18

The deadline for articles to be placed in the Courier is the 15th of every month. As the 15th falls on Friday in April, the deadline for the May Courier will be tomorrow, April 18. Please send all announcements and meeting dates/times for the May calendar to Tina at office@cpcjc.org. Announcements should be written out with all of the details included. Thank you!

NAME TAGS

If you are a member or a regular visitor, or even if you have just started coming to Covenant, you *most likely* have a name badge hanging on the wall in the Narthex. We're asking **everyone** to wear their name tags while at the church 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!**

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD OFFERING

In April, we are collecting: **Canned Meats (tuna, Spam, Vienna Sausages, Ravioli, etc.) and Canned Veggies.** You may continue to drop off your contributions in the shopping cart outside the front door during office hours. On Sundays, the cart will be in the Narthex. If you wish to make a monetary donation, we will pass it along, too. Thank you for your generous donations to this local ministry!

STATEMENT ON MASKS

On behalf of Session:

Out of an abundance of caution, we require participants attending indoor activities at Covenant to wear masks, unless Washington County is in the Yellow or Green zone on CovidActNow.org. Then masks will be optional. The weekly email announcement to prepare for worship and the signs on the church doors will have that week's color status. They may differ if the status changes after Tina posts the signs and sends the email.

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.”

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

Besides online giving or dropping off or mailing a check, it is also easy (and free) to set up **automatic payments** through your banking institution or online BillPay. Thank you for continuing to support the work of Covenant Presbyterian Church. *If you have any questions, please contact Tina in the church office.*

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:
Liturgist:

Jim Starr
Ron Smith

Covenant Handbell Choir
Covenant Chancel Choir

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor:
Music Director:
Office Administrator:
Administrative Assistant:

Rev. Maggie Rust
Jessica Siple
Tina Simon
Anne Webb

PRAYER CONCERNS

If you know of other reasons for rejoicing or concerns you would like to share feel free to complete a prayer card with your request.

Please contact the church office with any updates to this list.

Names will remain in the bulletin for three weeks unless we are notified about a change.

Week of April 17—23, 2022

Annette Mullins, Holly Bland's mother
BJ King's sister, Mary Lynn
Family of BJ King's office administrator
Jim & Norma Starr
Pat Smith's mother, Betty
Sharon Fuhrman
Rosemary Whitson's sister, Marshia Adams, and her niece
Pat Zembower, Christian's mom
Don & Anita Wolf, Julie Wood' parents
Ron Smith's sister, Rhonda and her husband Joe
Pat and Vickie Koppel, friends of Don & Patti Coble
Steve Jones, friend of Sharon Fuhrman
Traci Starr Honeycutt, Jim & Norma Starr's daughter
Sarah Campbell, Sharon Fuhrman's granddaughter
All those in our community affected by Covid-19.
The people of Ukraine, its neighbors, and the innocent peoples of Russia.

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

Bob & Kristi Rice: South Sudan
The Adams Maldonado Family: Frontera de Cristo

and these Covenant ministry partners:

UKirk ETSU (Pres. Campus Ministry) † Holston Presbytery Camp
LatinX Ministry † The River † BABMOC



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).

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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APRIL 17, 2022

EASTER SUNDAY

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.

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.