

DEDICATION SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 5, 2023

We are all blessed with numerous graces in our lives, and as Christian disciples we are called to be stewards who take care of what God has given us – the Earth and all of its inhabitants. Think of this in terms of “Pay it Forward” – a principle where we do something kind or useful for someone because someone else has done something kind or useful for us.

God has given each one of us gifts, graces, talents, and abilities as evidenced by the stories we share at our monthly meals, the prayers of praise spoken every week, and our growing presence in the community. We want to share these blessings with others by Paying it Forward.

Stewardship is more than occasional acts of charity and service. It is a way of life, a commitment to giving our time, talent, and treasure in response to all the blessings we have received from God. Your generosity allows our church to pay the electric bill, support local and world missions, have an online presence, support the youth camp and provide a top-notch worship service. Even with a little, we can do a lot!

As a member of the congregation, you should have received a letter in the mail along with a pledge card. Your confidential amount of participation will allow our Admin and Budget Committee to arrive at a workable figure for next year’s financial plan. In turn this will give our leadership a clearer direction of how the church will Pay it Forward. We believe the future of our church is bright! Let the light of Jesus that shines in you aid the work of our church in sharing its vision with our community.

NEWSLETTER

The NOVEMBER COURIER is on the table in the Narthex and/or has been emailed to you. There are extra printed copies on the table for those who want one. You will also be able to find the newsletter and November’s calendar on our website under the “Media” tab: www.cpcjc.org.

For your calendar (details are in the Courier):

Sunday, Nov. 12: Alternative Gift Fair AND Second Sunday Potluck

Friday, Nov. 17: NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet

Sunday, Nov. 19: Hymn Sing Service

Sunday, Dec. 3: Greening of the Church

Sunday, Dec. 3: Jewelry Sale benefitting The River

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD OFFERING

We continue to collect **Canned Foods with pop-tops** that are ready to eat “as is” for folks without resources to cook: Chef Boyardee, Vienna Sausages, Beanie Weenie, soup, fruit, vegetable cups, peanut butter, jelly, and canned milk. You may bring them to church on Sunday or drop off your items in the shopping cart in front of the office during the week.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

David & Jeri DeWeese; Vickie Koppel (friend of the Cobles); Becca Van Weiren; Shelby Ingram; Estelle Armistead; Kendall Harris; Evelyn Hill (Anne Trask’s mother); Sharon Benner; Annette Mullins (Holly Bland’s mother); Jeff Lovelace (with our cleaning service); Allen White (Maggie’s uncle); Cathy Eades (Jim Starr’s cousin); those affected by gun violence; for peace in areas of conflict: Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine.

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 ☩ Holston Presbytery Camp

Good Samaritan Ministry ☩ The River ☩ BABMOC

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today, October 29

8:10a Issues Class—Zoom
9:30a Sojourner’s Class w/Zoom option
9:45a Bible Discovery Class
10:00a Youth Class
11:00a Worship Service
Following worship After Church Snacks
6:00p Sunday Evening Bible Study – Zoom
7:00p N.A. Mtg

Monday, October 30

10a—3p *Good Sam Food Dropoff*

Tuesday, October 31

10a—3p *Good Sam Food Dropoff*
10:00a Al-Anon Mtg
7:00p Al-Anon Mtg
7:00p Alateen Mtg

Wednesday, November 1

10a—3p *Good Sam Food Dropoff*
6:00p Handbell Choir
7:00p Chancel Choir
7:00p N.A. Mtg

Thursday, November 2

10a—3p *Good Sam Food Dropoff*
9:30a Admin/Budget Comm Mtg
Noon Al-Anon Mtg

Friday, November 3

6:30p Al-Anon Mtg

Saturday, November 4

12:30 – 4:30 Library reserved
5:30p Bingo/Potluck!!

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

