



COVENANT

presbyterian church

SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021

Please complete a Worship Response (WR) card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate to express interest, submit a prayer request, or to sign up for an opportunity.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Child & Adult Sunday School resumes this week. Adult Sunday School takes place in the Fellowship Hall each week at 9:30 a.m. and continues to focus on today's "everyday theologians," featuring contemporary people who have influenced our world.

Children's Sunday School is offered at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. Childcare is available for infants through 3-years-old on the first floor of the Education Wing in rooms 101 and 102. Children ages 3-5 meet in the 1st floor of the Education wing for Sunday School. Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade attend worship in the Sanctuary through the children's sermon, then follow the shepherd to Sunday School. They can be picked up after the service on the 2nd floor of the Education wing in room 207, the Power Up room. Volunteers are still needed to help teach Children's Sunday School. Please contact Anne Lowrance (anne.lowrance@covenantpresby.org) if you are able to help.

OPEN PICNIC TABLE SUMMER WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Open Picnic Table, a weekly informal Wednesday evening family gathering under Covenant's Magnolia tree, continues through the summer. Bring a picnic dinner and enjoy time together with friends. Sweet frozen treats are provided. Grab-n-Go take-and-bake meals are taking a pause for the month of July. More information to be shared once this program resumes.

LEARN & GROW

SEE. GROW. ACT: A SUMMER RACIAL JUSTICE SERIES

The next opportunity to engage in our Summer Racial Justice Series, "See. Grow. Act." will be a visit to the Brooklyn Collective on August 29 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The Brooklyn Collective is an organization of members and actions that honor the historic Brooklyn community leaders and the founders of the historic uptown buildings. These buildings represent the cornerstones of the Brooklyn neighborhood since the 1880s through its unjust destruction in the late 1960s with so-called "urban renewal" programs. We will enjoy a tour followed by refreshments and fellowship. Please email Grace Lindvall (grace.lindvall@covenantpresby.org) with questions or write "Brooklyn" on your WR card. RSVP form to come soon.

SERVE GOD, COVENANT AND OUR NEIGHBORS

OPERATION SANDWICH: TOMORROW, JULY 12

Our next Operation Sandwich effort is tomorrow, July 12 and we will be accepting drop-offs from 10:00-10:30 a.m. in the Covenant Circle. We still have a few slots open for individuals and families to help with sandwich-making, water bottle donations and delivery to our neighbors at Roof Above. If you are able to help, please sign up at covenantpresby.org/in-the-community or contact Lucy Crain (lucy.crain@covenantpresby.org).

YOUNG ADULT HAPPY HOUR: THIS THURSDAY

Covenant Young Adults will gather for their regular, quarterly happy hour this Thursday, July 15 at Summit Seltzery at 6:00 p.m. Come enjoy the company of fellow young adults at the end of a long week. All are welcome! No RSVP needed.

HELP EXTEND A WARM COVENANT WELCOME

Worship Ministry is seeking volunteers to join our Usher Team as we continue with our return to in-person worship. Ushers serve as an important extension of our church hospitality, extending a warm welcome to Covenant members and guests alike. To learn more or join an usher team, contact Ashley Roehrig (ashleyroe1010@gmail.com) or write "Usher" on your WR card.

MORE FREEDOM SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Covenant is supporting Freedom School Partners, a literacy program for students, through a number of volunteer opportunities this summer. More volunteers are needed for various roles. Sign up to help at covenantpresby.org/freedom-school or write "Freedom School" on your WR card.

JOIN OUR GROWING OUTDOOR MINISTRY

Congregational Life is excited to expand Covenant's Outdoor Ministry to include more practical opportunities for participants deepen relationships with the church, each other and our natural surroundings, growing in faithful stewardship of the environment. Join us at our informational kick-off meeting on August 11 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Covenant. Visit covenantpresby.org/congregational-care#outdoor-ministry to learn more or write "Outdoor Ministry" on your WR card.

FALL ADULT MISSION TRIP TO AVERY COUNTY

Join us in Avery County as we embark on our first adult mission trip since the pandemic began. This trip will take place from September 26 - October 2 and will focus on habitat builds and partnerships with local organizations such as Crossnore School and Children's Home. The cost of the trip, which is for participants 18 and up, is \$375 (partial scholarships available). Proof of COVID vaccination is required. Learn more and sign up at covenantpresby.org/in-the-community#mission-trips. Contact Lucy Crain (lucy.crain@covenantpresby.org) with questions.

STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU

We all experience challenges in life –times when we could benefit from the support of a caring Christian friend. Covenant's Stephen Ministers are trained lay people who can bring the caring presence of the church to those experiencing difficult life situations, large or small. Stephen Ministers offer a confidential, faith-based, caring one-on-one relationship designed to offer help in the midst of a challenging time such as death, loss of a job, life transition, illness, divorce, empty nest, isolation, and more. Should you or someone you know be interested in being paired with a Stephen Minister, please contact Katherine Kerr (katherine.kerr@covenantpresby.org).

AUGUST WORSHIP FLOWERS

Help add beauty to our Sanctuary with worship flowers for the month of August. Worship flowers can be given in honor of an individual, a special event, or simply to add this special natural element to our worship space. Sign up at covenantpresby.org/sundays-at-covenant#flowers.

GET MOVING THIS MONTH IN THE REC WING

The Rec Wing is open for workouts by reservation and for personal training. The July schedule can be found at covenantpresby.org/recreation-ministry. Contact Rec Wing Director, Kevin Harper (kevin.harper@covenantpresby.org) with questions.

*Large-print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.
Audio-induction hearing loops are installed for use with hearing aids.*