SUNDAY, June 1, 2025

WORSHIP NOTES

Worship Services Online

Click <u>here</u> to go to Covenant's Facebook page (or copy this link and paste it into your browser: https://www.facebook.com/Covenant-CRC-520064914738965/). Then click on the "Videos" section and watch for the live video to show shortly before 10:00 AM. You can also watch a recorded version of the service after it is over.

Sunday Morning Worship

Welcome to worship this Sunday! Today we celebrate the ascension of our Lord, and we will celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Here is a link to a mobile-friendly worship guide.

Sunday Evening

This Sunday is the first of the joint CRC evening worship services this summer which will be held on the first Sundays of the month. Today, **June 1**, we will worship at Bethel CRC at 6:00 PM, with Pastor Joel preaching. An offering will be received for Hope Haven.

Evening Schedule in June

On **June 8**, we will gather for a Pentecost Vespers at 6:00 PM. **June 15** is Father's Day and we will not hold a service at Covenant in the evening but instead encourage family/community/small group gatherings! On **June 22** we will gather at 6:00 PM for an Edifying Engagement – more details to come. And then on **June 29**, we will gather again for Vespers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Serving at the Hope Food Pantry

The Hope Food Pantry has asked Covenant through the Justice and Mercy committee to staff the Wednesday afternoon food distribution once per month again this summer. We committed to doing so on the first Wednesday of each month, which means we need volunteers for this Wednesday, **June 4**. This is a great opportunity to participate in a very successful and well-run community program that serves our neighbors. Volunteers must be at least 12 and should be able to stand for the two-hour shift, some filling boxes inside, some loading boxes into cars, some replenishing supplies, etc. We need five volunteers for the 1:30 to 3:30 PM shift and four volunteers for the 3:30 to 5:30 shift. Please consider whether you are able to be one of those nine people for this Wednesday. Or, if this week doesn't work for you, you might consider working on **July 2** or **August 6**. Please call or text Sally Jongsma at 712 441 7020 or email jongsma@mtcnet.net to volunteer.

Pentecost Celebration

Sunday, **June 8** is Pentecost, a celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. As a visual reminder of the power of the Spirit, you are invited to wear something red, yellow, or orange to our morning worship service. Be creative – consider a tie, a hair clip, a piece of jewelry, or a borrowed item of clothing. Remember Colossians 3:12, "As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience."

From the Justice & Mercy Committee:

Thank you to all of those who have contributed in many ways to the Citizenship class so far. Please consider joining us in this work – we have quite a few openings for volunteer positions for the next few weeks of classes, and more students joining us each week. If you would like to help as a welcoming host, conversation leader, or by providing a snack, please sign up here or contact Dani Wyenberg or Joya Breems.

Children's Worship Leaders Needed

Are you interested in being a leader for Children and Worship? If you enjoy young children and are interested in helping them worship in age-appropriate ways during our worship services, we'd love to hear from you! Contact Cheri Horstman (712-441-4562 or mchart.net).

Bible Trivia Night

You're invited to participate in a Bible Trivia Night hosted by RJ's Tap and Indoor Golf (2833 St. Andrew's Way) on Thursday, **June 12** at 7 PM. This event will last roughly an hour and a half, and will be led by Scott and Ginger Culpepper. We are inviting multiple churches to this event, hoping to get a few groups of 6 individuals from each. This is a free event, with no cost to the groups who sign up; however if groups would like to order food, drinks, or golf before/after the event they are welcome to! If you'd like to sign up a group, contact Devin Endel (devin.endel@gmail.com)

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Jesucristo el Buen Pastor congregation and the ministry of Pastor Rodrigo Gonzalez.

Last week's offering General Fund: \$6,105.00 Christian Education Fund: \$696.46 Building Fund: \$595.00

Giving at Covenant

There are a variety of ways to give at Covenant! To give online, click here. You can also give by leaving your offering in the boxes located at the entrances, mailing a check to church, paying via online bill pay at your bank, or by ACH Bank Transfer. Just a reminder, all cash/checks will be used as needed unless designated. Contact your deacon with any questions.

Helpful Links:

- The Bulletin Announcements and a link to Sunday's bulletin and liturgy are posted <u>here</u>.
- The Community Activities (Blue) Sheet is posted here.
- Mission & Ministry News: The Groenewold-Van Dyks' latest newsletter is here. The Maletoungous' latest newsletter is here. An update from Pastor Gianni Gracia in Miami is here. ReFrame Ministry's May prayer requests are here.

Sunday Servant Scheduling:

If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please find your own replacement. Thank you.

•	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, June 8
Greeters	AM: Paul C, Dennis DJ, Kris VP	
Ushers	AM: Stan VB, Linda V, Kurt V	
Coffee	Jo A, Luke H, Daryl H, Jeri S, Dani W	
Subs	Jan B, Doug DB, Jason H, Gidge M, Don TN, Lois VZ	
Valet Parking	Duane B	
Sound/Projection	Dennis DJ → James R	Will B → Tom C
Nursery	AM: Jason & Dani W, Ron & Carol O	AM: Daryl & Deb H, Kris & Marty VP

Encouraging our Missionaries

Got a minute? Send one of our missionaries a note of encouragement by email!

Gianni & Georgina Gracia giannigracia@yahoo.com

Sos & Kara Maletoungou smaletoungou@acsi.org

Mike & Megan Ribbens mribbens@gmail.com

Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk tvandyk@crcnapartners.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Sherri Ten Napel, Jo Faber, Corrie DeVries, Naomi Ploegstra, Jake Van Wyk

Happy Anniversary this Week

Daryl & Deb Hibma, Mark & Cheri Horstman, Dallas & Carol Apol

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT			
Sunday, 1st	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Joint CRC Worship at Bethel CRC	
Monday	6:00 PM	Citizenship Class	
Wednesday	9:00 AM 1:30 PM	Prayer Group Serving at Hope Food Pantry	
Thursday	6:00 PM	Citizenship Class	
Sunday, 8 th	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Vespers	