

The Celebration of Holy Communion
Sunday, January 25, 2009 - 11 AM

Praise God for Whom all Blessings flow

Welcome Pastor John Benson

Families with children are welcome in worship.
Nursery care is also available for infants and toddlers
Downstairs throughout the service

Prelude

Promised Land - arr. Martin

*Call to Worship Psalm 62:5-6, 8

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence
For my hope is from him.

People: *He alone is my rock and salvation,
My fortress, I shall not be shaken.*

Leader: Trust in him at all times, O people,
Pour out your heart before him.

*Hymn 61

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Opening Prayer

*The Lords Prayer

First Lesson Jonah 3:1-10 Gordon Sloat, Reader

Gospel Mark 1:14-20

Unison Prayer of Confession

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offering

*The Doxology Hymn 48

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 586

Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee

Sermon Sandra Benson, Organist
Becky Ericson, Pianist
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
LIVING "AS THOUGH"

Silent Prayer and Reflection

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*The Apostle's Creed Hymnal No. 878

*Words of Institution 1 Corinthians 11:23- 26

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

*Hymn 612

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

*Benediction

*Postlude

We're celebrating the Lord's Supper today. If you *confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your Heart that God raised him from the dead*, you are welcome to join us- even if you are not a member of this congregation. Everyone is invited to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. If for any reason you do wish to participate, please do not remain in your seat. Children are welcomed at the Lord's Table- the youngest are given grapes. Older children may receive the bread and the cup if, in the opinion of the their parents, they understand the significance of the celebration and have put their faith in Christ.

*Those who are able please stand.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Carl and Rosalie Rodgers
Ushers: Rob Ericson & Nelson Hastings
Reader: Gordon Sloat
Nursery: Mary Hamilton & Aaron Knowles
Snack: None Scheduled
Sound Technician: Jim Hamilton
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled

SERVING NEXT WEEK: February 1

Greeters: Ruth Kendrick
Ushers: Scouts
Reader: Scouts
Nursery: Kathy Knowles
Snack: None Scheduled
Sound Technician: Bob Ericson

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Remember that this building is regularly used by other groups. If you are planning an activity, remember to check the complete calendar in the church office. Please speak to Aaron Knowles, our Administrative Assistant, before scheduling any event. (Call 703-455-4150.) The deadline for bulletin announcements is 9 AM Friday

COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

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Our mission as a congregation is calling people from this community and around the world into communion with Christ. Our communion with him and with each other grows as we enter into the promises and challenges that a covenant with Christ includes.

Our Life Together This Week

Today	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
	5:30 PM	CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK AND ANNUAL MEETING
		Candle Lighter: Scouts
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's bible study
Sunday, Feb. 1	9:30 AM	Sunday School for everyone Adult Class: Called and Gifted A Study of the Biblical Basis For the Ordination of women
	11:00 AM	Worship Service – SCOUT SUNDAY

When you come to Church on Sunday, remember to . . .

- Bring *canned goods* for outreach to those in need in our area through the food pantries at ECHO and Rising Hope
- Bring *change* for the change box to fund capital improvements
- Bring *a dollar* to help our Youth Group support Yohannes Makalew, Compassion International sponsored child in Indonesia

Lessons to Read for February 1– 4th Sunday after the Epiphany

Deut. 18:15-20	A prophet like Moses
Psalms 62:5-12	Waiting in silence
1 Cor. 8:1-13	Knowledge puffs up
Mark 1:21-28	As one having authority

The Congregational Annual Meeting will be held TONIGHT, January 25, following a potluck supper at 5:30 PM. Beverages and table service will be provided. Please bring a salad, hot dish, or dessert to share. Everyone is invited to attend. Annual Report booklets will be distributed to the congregation next Sunday morning.

Reunited and it feels so good . . . The CCC pick-up choir is getting back together for a performance on March 15. Rehearsals are February 22, March 1, and March 8, around the piano immediately following the worship service. All ages, voices, and abilities are welcome. See Amy if you have questions.

Ladies – You are invited to a Rip ‘n Roll session at Redeemer Covenant Church in Bowie, MD on Saturday, Jan. 31st from 10:00AM to 3:00PM. Lunch will be provided. Please let Betty or Claire know if you can come so car-pooling can be arranged. It will be fun to see our sisters in Christ at Bowie.

The first Covenant Crafters of the year will be on February the 7th. Sign up in the hall outside of the Sanctuary.

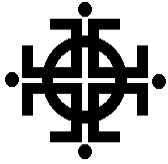
The Women’s Bible Study has begun meeting on Tuesdays again in the kitchen from 10:00AM to 12:00PM. This session they will be studying “A Heart Like His”, a study of David by Beth Moore.

Did you miss last week’s sermon? Hear it and read the bulletin each week on the church website. It is updated weekly. Please visit us at www.covenantchurchva.org.

Get Connected with Covenant Newswire – this free service delivers the latest news from Covenant Churches around the world to your home or office in a single daily email. It’s a great way to keep informed about what’s happening among the mission friends. To sign up, visit the Covenant Web Page (www.covchurch.org) and click on the Newswire button.

How to contact Pastor Benson. Call him at the parsonage, where he maintains an office, at any time: 703-451-6624; or by email- johnbenson@hotmail.com. Prayer requests and other matters can be brought to his attention by using the home page insert in this bulletin. Please get in touch immediately when you or someone in your family is in the hospital, facing surgery, or in need of pastoral care.

In the Covenant Companion – “Sick of Healing Prayer?” – Covenant Pastor Chris Haydon asks “How do we continue to pray when the miracles we long for seem to elude us?”. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. (Online at www.covchurch.org/communications or call 773-784-3000



The character of the Evangelical Covenant Church is expressed by our logo: at the center is the cross. Next is a circle – the symbol of being united in Christ. Then four different people, joined to one another, reach out to the world in love. The Covenant Web Page: www.covchurch.org

A Covenant Affirmation: We affirm the ministry of the Holy Spirit, who with the Father and the Son calls the Church into being, empowers its witness, guides its mission, and supplies the gifts needed by the Church and its members to exalt Christ.

We need you as an active participant in the revitalization of our church! Please join us for **VERITAS IN VIRGINIA** on **Saturday, February 28**, here at Community Covenant. Last February, 13 members of our fellowship traveled to Livingston, NJ, to attend the regional seminar led by Dr. John Wenrich, Director of Congregational Vitality for the Evangelical Covenant Church. We want you to share in this experience, which will shape our life together for years to come. You’ve been hearing about this in Worship and Sunday School. Now we are asking you to pray about taking this next step together and set aside this important day – from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, as we come together to participate in the video version of Veritas. The workshop will include adequate time for discussion, appreciative inquiry, reflection, prayer, and assessment. This is for young people and all adults – even those who are not members of the church or in leadership positions.