

The Service of Worship
Sunday, February 8, 2009 - 11 AM

Welcome

Rob Ericson

*Prayer of Dedication

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

*Hymn 317

Beautiful Savior

Prelude

Becky Ericson, Pianist

Sermon

Badassa Tobo

*Call to Worship

“THE BLESSED ONES”

*Hymn 83

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

*Hymn 458

*Opening Prayer

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

*The Lords Prayer

*Benediction

First Lesson Proverbs 8:22-31 Lisa Ann Abranchess, Reader

Second Lesson Hebrews 11:32-40 Lisa Ann Abranchess, Reader

*Postlude

Gospel

John 20:22-31 *Those who are able please stand.

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offering

Shelley Connelie, Soloist

Majesty

*The Doxology

Hymn 48

Praise God for Whom all Blessings flow

Welcome! Whether this is your first time with us, a return visit, or something you do every Sunday, we're happy that you're here. Please fill out the Home Page insert in this bulletin, including your address and prayer requests, and make it part of the offering today. The offering is an opportunity to share financially in the ministries and mission of our congregation – if you're a visitor or a newcomer, you are under no obligation.

COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

Celebrating our 36th year of Ministry

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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 for everyone
	11:00 AM	Worship Service Badassa Tobo Preaching “The Blessed Ones”
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women’s bible study Beth Moore Study of David
Sunday, Feb. 15	9:30 AM	Sunday School for everyone
	11:00 AM	Worship Service Doug Thorpe preaching

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 or two* to help our Youth Group support Yohannes Makalew, Compassion International sponsored child in Indonesia

Lessons to Read for February 8– 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Proverbs 8:22-31	Wisdom’s role in creation
John 20:22-31	Jesus appears to his disciples
Hebrews 11:32-40	The great cloud of witnesses

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.

In the Covenant Companion – “When Dr. King Died” – Covenanter Patricia Smith Adaranijo remembers the death of Martin Luther King and the devastating days that followed in her Chicago neighborhood. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. (Online at www.covchurch.org/communications or call 773-784-3000)

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.

The Books and Culture Group will meet in early April to discuss Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson.

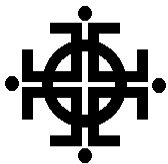
Next Sunday Doug Thorpe will be preaching.

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.

Covenant World Mission Prayer Line: 1-800-FON-PRAY

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.

How to contact Pastor Benson. Call him at the parsonage, where he maintains an office, at any time: 703-451-6624; or by email-JohnSBenson@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.



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 a commitment to the whole mission of the Church. The early Covenanters were known as “Mission Friends” – people of shared faith who came together to carry out God’s mission both far and near. Mission for them and for us includes evangelism, Christian formation, and ministries of compassion, mercy and justice.