

**CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter - April 26, 2009 – 11:00 AM**

“I believe...in the resurrection of the body” The Apostles’ Creed

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 Sandra Benson, Organist  
Becky Ericson, Pianist

*When In Our Music God is Glorified* – arr. Page

Call to Worship 1 Peter 1:3-5

\*Hymn 249

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven*

\*Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Reading of Psalm 4 Hymnal No. 781

First Lesson Acts 3:12-19 Bill Anderson, Reader

Second lesson 1 John 3:1-7

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

*Come, Risen Lord* – A.M. Smith

\*Hymn 48

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn 87

*Children of the Heavenly father*

Sermon Luke 24:36b-48

**FLESH AND BONES**

\*Hymn 250

*This Joyful Eastertide*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able please stand.

**Welcome!** Whether this is your first time with us, a return visit, or something that 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 your offering this morning. The offering is an opportunity to share financially in the ministries and mission of this congregation – if you’re a visitor or a newcomer, as our guest you are under no obligation to participate. We hope to see you again soon!

**COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH**

**Celebrating our 37<sup>th</sup> year of Ministry**

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**SERVING TODAY**

Greeters: Carl & Rosalie Rodgers  
Ushers: Jared Connelie & Nelson Hastings  
Reader: Bill Anderson  
Nursery/Assistant: Lynda Seguin  
Snack: The Zemans  
Sound Technician: Bob Ericson  
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled

*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.*

**SERVING NEXT WEEK: May 3**

Greeters: Ruth Kendrick  
Ushers: Bob Ericson & Aaron Knowles  
Reader: Lynda Seguin  
Nursery/Assistant: Kathy Knowles  
Snack: The Hastings  
Sound Technician: Tom Connelie  
Candle Lighter: Thomas Connelie

**THIS WEEK**

Tuesday 10:00 AM Women’s bible study  
Thursday 9:30 AM East Coast Conference Ministerium meetings begin in York, PA  
Friday 3:00 PM EPIC – Veritas follow-up workshop *Empowering People, Inspiring Change* at St. Paul’s Wolf’s Covenant Church  
Saturday 9:00 AM East Coast Conference Meeting convenes with opening worship  
Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday School  
11:00AM Worship Service  
Pastor’s Message: *No Other Name Is Jesus Christ the Only Way?*

**Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:**

Monday Martha Shimkin  
Wednesday Deanna Tobin, Almaz Tobo, Ezana  
Friday Ed & Rachel Doyle

**When you come to church on Sunday, remember to . . .**

*Bring canned goods* for outreach to those in need 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, our Compassion International sponsored child in Indonesia

**Remember that this building is regularly used** by many other groups. If you are planning an activity, please check the complete calendar in the church office and contact Aaron Knowles, our Administrative Assistant, before scheduling an event. Aaron can be reached by calling the church office or 703-425-5633. The deadline for bulletin announcements is 9 AM Friday.

### Scripture Lessons to read for Sunday, May 3:

Acts 4:5-12	A rejected stone is the cornerstone!
1 John 3:16-24	The other John 3:16
John 10:11-18	How the good shepherd operates

**Join the Books and Culture Group** in reading Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson. The astonishing, uplifting story of a real-life Indiana Jones and his remarkable humanitarian campaign of building schools in the Taliban's backyard. Contact Becky Ericson for information about when the discussion of the book will be.

**Who Wants Snack?** At the conclusion of Sunday School in the summer, we normally conclude the brining of snack. However, it seems that the snack time after service is a wonderful time for the congregation to visit with one another. Please make a note in your homepage if you would like snack to continue through the summer.

**In the Covenant Companion:** "When Health and Faith Meet" – The Ministry of Parish Nursing. Elanor Edman, Professor Emeritus in the Nursing Program at Bethel University, shares how profession has moved out of the clinic and into the church. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

**How to contact Pastor Benson:** By phone (703-451-6624; 703-455-4150; 703-505-0626) by mail (6624 Reynard Drive, Springfield, VA 22152) or b email ([johnsbenson@hotmail.com](mailto:johnsbenson@hotmail.com)) Please get in touch immediately when you or someone in your family is in the hospital, facing surgery or in need of pastoral care.

**Special Easter Offering:** It's not too late to participate in our over and above Easter Offering for Parkside Covenant Church in Clifton, Park N – a new congregation struggling to pay their first year mortgage in a new building in this economy. Use the special envelope on the credenza and put it in the offering today or next Sunday. Make checks payable to Community Covenant Church and designate as "Easter Offering".

**Take and read a copy of "The East Coast Covenanter"** from the table in the hallway. Our Conference Superintendent, Howard Burgoyne, writes about risks and rewards in the Christian life. Associate Superintendent, Peter Sung, who spoke here last fall, writes about the nature of a leader's presence. Others write about our partnership in shared mission, including our link to a Covenant Church in Koyuk, Alaska!

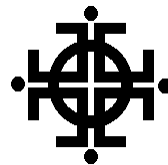
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*Covenant World Mission Prayer Line: 1-800-FON-PRAY*

**Final exams are looming on the horizon for our college students.** Time to mail out final exam care packages. Sign up at the table.

**By popular demand,** the choir will perform on May 17. Rehearsals are immediately following the worship service on April 26, May 3, and May 10. Meet by the piano; all voices, ages, and talent levels are welcome.

**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](http://www.covenantchurchva.org).



*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 our unity in Christ. Then four different people, joined together, reach out to the world in love. Find out more about the Covenant at [www.covchurch.org](http://www.covchurch.org)*