

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**  
**The Day of Pentecost**  
**Sunday, May 11, 2008 – 11:00 AM**

Welcome

Pastor John Benson

As we welcome families with children to worship,  
be aware that nursery care is available  
for infants and toddlers downstairs throughout the service.  
Jr. JAMBoree for children ages 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade is also offered  
throughout the service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

Prelude

Sandy Benson, Organist  
Becky Ericson, Pianist

*His Eye Is On the Sparrow* – arr. Hamlin

Call to Worship

John 7:37-39 and John 20:19-23

\*Hymn #286

*Let Every Christian Pray*

\*Invocation

\*The Lord's Prayer

First Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

Bud Clark, Reader

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

\*The Doxology

Hymn #48

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Hymn #273**

*Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow*

Sermon

1 Corinthians 12:3-13

**BY ONE SPIRIT**

\*Hymn #580

*God Bless Your Church with Strength!*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

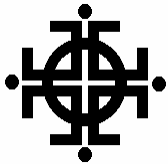
**Welcome!** Whether this is your first time with us, a return visit, or something you do every Sunday, we're happy that you're here. Please fill out the Home Page insert in this bulletin, including your address and prayer requests, and make it part of the offering today. The offering is an opportunity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

*SERVING TODAY*

Greeters: Erik & Anna Karlson  
Ushers: Tom Connelie & Paul Seguin  
Nursery: Lynda Seguin  
Sound Tech: Jim Hamilton  
Snack: The Seguins  
Candle Lighter: Meron Berhe

*SERVING NEXT WEEK: May 18*

Greeters: Youth Group  
Ushers: Carl Rodgers & Jenny Connelie  
Reader: Erik Karlson  
Nursery: Betty Sloat & Liz Reitman  
Sound Tech: Daniel Mayfield  
Snack: None Scheduled  
Candle Lighter: Jared Connelie



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

**A Covenant Affirmation** - We are a Reformation church. We stand in the mainstream of a church renewal movement of the sixteenth century called the Protestant Reformation. Especially important is the belief that we are saved by God's grace alone, through faith alone, not by anything that we can do.

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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**

***Happy Birthday to Mike Perez!***

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

12:15 PM Praying for Revitalization

**Tuesday**

***Happy Birthday to Badassa Karayu!***

9:45 AM Women's Bible Study – Church Kitchen  
Using Beth Moore Study on Daniel

**Wednesday**

***Happy Birthday to Stella Kullstam!***

**Next**

**Sunday**

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

11:00 AM Worship Service

12:15 PM Praying for Revitalization

5:30 PM Youth Group

**Remember**, 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 Kathy Knowles, our Administrative Assistant, before scheduling any event. (Call 703-455-4150.) The deadline for bulletin announcements is 9 AM Friday.

**Boy Scout Michael Ariale is organizing a Bone Marrow Registry Drive** as his Eagle Project, on Saturday, May 17 from 9 AM to 1 PM at Burke Presbyterian Church (5690 Oak Leather Drive) in Burke. Because this is being done as part of the National Marrow Donor Program's "Thanks Mom marrow Donor Drive" campaign, there are no registry fees. If you are in good health and between the ages of 18-60, please come out and join the national register. Remember Lexy Hamilton? We prayed for her a few years ago as she went through the process of a bone marrow transplant. There were concerns about development, side effects and catching up in school. We're happy to report that Lexy is experiencing normal development, has no side effects from the medications, and is now caught up in school. Getting on this registry could save a life.

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**What if the Veritas 13 became the Veritas 21?** Imagine if several more people from our church experienced the truth about congregational revitalization the way some of us did on Saturday, Feb. 9, in Livingston, NJ! Now you can! Dr. John Wenrich, Director of Congregational Vitality for the Evangelical Covenant Church is leading another Veritas Workshop at St. Paul's Wolf's Covenant Church in York, PA, on Saturday, June 7, from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Learn what it takes and join in as we seek to become a healthy missional church. The workshop is free and it's only 2 ½ hours away. Tell Pastor Benson if you would like to attend.

**Recycle!** We have the bins in the kitchen – 3 of them! Please place your recyclables in the appropriate bin. Thank you!



**In the Covenant Companion** – "What Are We Doing to Creation?" – Joel Oelfelt, Professor of Biology at Northeastern Illinois University and a member of North Park Covenant Church, addresses this important question. You can subscribe to our award-winning denominational magazine by calling 773-907-3310 or online at [www.covchurch.org/communications](http://www.covchurch.org/communications). Subscriptions are \$19.95.

**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).

**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](http://www.covchurch.org)) and click on the Newswire button.

**A copy of the minutes** from the council meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> is available on the credenza at the back of the sanctuary. The congregation is asked to join us for a balcony meeting on Saturday, May 10 beginning at 2:00.

**SUMMER CAMPS AT CAMP SQUANTO** for children entering Grade 2 through young people entering Grade 12 at the Covenant Camp in Southern New Hampshire. Brochures are on the credenza. Register now – camps fill up FAST.

## YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet next Sunday, May 18 at 5:30. Bring a friend!

Don't forget to place your donations for our sponsored child, Yohannes, in the donations box at the back of the sanctuary. The Youth Group has pledged \$40 per month toward his support.

**How to Contact Pastor Benson** – You you may contact him at his office at church –703-455-4150. The church's e-mail address is [communitycovenant@verizon.net](mailto:communitycovenant@verizon.net). Prayer requests and other matters can also be brought to his attention by using the Home Page insert in the bulletin. Don't hesitate to get in touch when you, or someone in your family, is hospitalized, facing surgery or in need of pastoral care.