

COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

Celebrating our 35th Year of Ministry

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Our mission as a congregation is calling people from the 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.

This Week

Today 9:30 AM Sunday School – Focus on Covenant Missions
11:00 AM Worship Service – World Missions Emphasis
NO YOUTH GROUP TODAY!
Tuesday 9:45 AM Women’s Bible Study

Next Sunday, June 10, is our End of the School Year Celebration

9:30 AM Sunday School in the Amphitheater
- Each class will share what they have learned
- The Sunday School teachers will be honored
11:00 AM A very special worship service
- The baptism of Kayden Lee Abranchess
- Sermon on “The Lord of Life”
12:30 PM All Church Picnic
- Occoquan Regional Park, Gazebo 2
- Bring meat to grill, something to share
- Hawaiian Theme, dress appropriately
- Fellowship, Fun and Games for all
- Sign up today in the hallway
- Talk to Shelley Connelie if you have questions

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 or 703-425-5633.) The deadline for bulletin announcements is 9 AM Friday.

Scripture Lessons to read as you prepare for next Sunday:

1 Kings 17:8-24	Miracles in Zarephath
Psalm 146	Where help and hope come from
Galatians 1:11-24	The source of Paul’s gospel
Luke 7:11-17	Jesus interrupts a funeral

Birthdays & Anniversaries Celebrated in the Coming Week:

Today	Kerstin Shimkin
Monday	Jim Hamilton, Catherine Seguin
Tuesday	Janet Coussa
Wednesday	Ginny Newberg, Dave Grimord, John & Sandy Benson, Paul & Lynda Seguin



Kristin and Anna Karlson are in town, together with Kristin’s parents, Richard and Edith Nelson of Keene, NH, to participate in the closing for the Karlson’s new home –9703 Velilla in Burke, near Old Keene Mill and the Fairfax County parkway. *NOTE: THEIR HOUSEHOLD GOODS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE DELIVERED THIS WENESDAY, JUNE 6. IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND AT THE HOUSE THAT DAY, PLEASE TELL KRISTIN OR KATHY KNOWLES.* We are looking forward to Erik’s homecoming and the Karlson’s return to our area early this summer.

Bread for the World’s annual gathering designed to launch a movement to end hunger and poverty in the United States and around the world will be held on June 8-12 at American University in Washington, DC. The interfaith convocation brings people together from around the world to learn, equip, mobilize and encourage each other in a common task. Worship, workshops and lobbying legislators on Capitol Hill are all part of this experience. (Did you read the article in the Companion about the group from Bowie Covenant that participated last year?) See Pastor Benson for details.



Rising Hope Mission Church is running short of certain types of food. There is a concern that these items will be unavailable for distribution by the end of the Summer. Should you wish to help, please bring in boxes of cereal and canned meats, and place them in the box under the table by the hymnal shelf in the sanctuary. Thanks to those who donated casseroles this past week. They were much appreciated!

The Covenant Annual Meeting will be held in Portland, Oregon on June 21-24. If you could represent our congregation at this meeting, please talk to Pastor Benson.



In the Covenant Companion – “Christian Fascists, Godless Liberals, and Other Myths” – Kurt Peterson, associate professor of history at North Park, sorts out the issues of religion and politics in Randal Balmer’s book, Thy Kingdom Come. You can subscribe to our award-winning denominational magazine by calling 773-907-3310 or online at www.covchurch.org/communications. Subscriptions are \$19.95 a year.

CHECK IT OUT! Gordon Sloat has stepped up to the challenge of developing a web site for the church. He would welcome your feedback and help in creating pages for the site. You will find it at covenantchurchva.org.



There is NO Youth Group tonight. For the Month of June the Youth will meet on the 10th and 24th. Join us on those days from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Bring a Friend!

Thanks again for supporting Talent/No Talent Night: \$293 was raised for our youth ministry.



New Guidelines for Labels to save for the Education Program at the Covenant Home in Cromwell have been developed and are in the basket on the coffee table where labels are gathered. Take a copy home and post it on your refrigerator.

Life is No Picnic for many, even in a prosperous area like Northern Virginia. Remember what Jesus said about being hungry, and bring some canned goods for the food pantry at ECHO when you come to worship him on Sunday. Put them in the picnic basket by the hymnal rack.



How to Contact Pastor Benson – You can call him at home, where he maintains an office, at any time – 703-451-6624. His e-mail address is johnsbenson@hotmail.com. Or you may contact him in his office at church – 703-455-4150. The church’s e-mail address is 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.

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



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 are an evangelical church, tracing our roots to a series of religious awakenings that flowered in Europe and America during the 19th Century. It is this rich soil in which the Covenant continues to grow and which gives us our passion for mission.