

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 17, 2007 – 11:00 AM

Welcome Gordon Sloat

Prelude Becky Ericson, Piano

Call to Worship

This is a time set aside for worship. It is not like any other hour of the week. It belongs to us and to God for praise, for confession of sins, for conversation in prayer, and for proclamation of God's word. Come refreshed or in need of new courage, and find in God and our Savior, Christ, everything you have or hope for.

*Hymn #501

Out of Need and Out of Custom

*Opening Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

First Lesson 1 Kings 21:1-10, 15-21a Jim Hamilton, Reader

*Hymn #87

Children of the Heavenly Father

Second Lesson Galatians 2:15-21

Hymn #199

Woman in the Night

Gospel Luke 7:36-8:3

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

*Hymn #108, Stanza 4

Sing Praise to the Father

*Prayer of Dedication

Sermon

Rev. Doug Thorpe

ANONYMOUS

Hymn #583

Help Us Accept Each Other

*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 prayer requests, and make it part of the offering today. Nursery care for children up to the age of 5 is available downstairs.

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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 **HAPPY FATHERS' DAY!!!**
 Happy Birthday to Beth Badassa!!!
10:00 AM Worship Service
 NO YOUTH GROUP TODAY!

Tuesday 9:45 AM Women's Bible Study

Thursday Happy Birthday to Doug Ericson!!!

Sunday *Happy Birthday to Mike Coussa!!!*
June 24 10:00 AM Worship Service

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 19:1-4	Elijah vs. Jezebel
Galatians 3:23-29	All are one in Christ
Luke 8:26-39	A Legion of pigs

Pastor John and Sandy Benson are on vacation this week and will return tomorrow. Today please welcome a favorite guest preacher, Doug Thorpe.

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.



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.

We will be providing casseroles for the homeless and staff at Rising Hope this Wednesday, June 20th. If you are interested in making a casserole, please sign up at the table outside the sanctuary or see Mary Hamilton.

The Flags Around the Sanctuary represent some of the countries where the Covenant has churches or missionary work. If you missed the Missions Fest, you can still join in our “Above and Beyond” stewardship campaign for Covenant World Missions. Look over the bulletin boards in the back of the sanctuary, read the brochure “Strong and Crazy for Christ,” and make a contribution or a pledge today, using the envelopes provided on the credenza. Our goal is to raise \$6,000 beyond our budget for Covenant World Missions by the end of the year.



There in NO Youth Group tonight. Join us next week from 5:30 to 7:00 PM Sunday, June 24th. Bring a Friend!

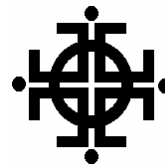
New Guidelines for Labels to save for the Education Program at the Covenant Home in Cromwell have been developed and are in the basket on the coffee table where labels are gathered. Take a copy home and post it on your refrigerator.

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.

The Website for the church is up and running! You will find it at covenantchurchva.org. The bulletin and the sermon are posted each week.

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 affirm the centrality of the Word of God. We believe the Bible is the only perfect rule for faith, doctrine, and conduct. The dynamic, transforming power of the word of God directs the church and the life of each Christian.