

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 24, 2007 – 10:00 AM

Welcome Rev. John Benson

Prelude Sandra Benson, Organist

When In Our Music God is Glorified – arr. Paige

Call to Worship – Hymn #332, stanzas 3 and 4, read in unison

*A Reading of Psalm 42, with the sung response Hymnal #804

*Opening Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

The Gospel Luke 8:26-39 Bill Anderson, Reader

A Word to the Children

+ For another perspective on this miracle, read Hymn #203 +

Second Lesson Galatians 3:23-29

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

*Hymn #108, Stanza 4

Sing Praise to the Father

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #593

In Christ There Is No East or West

Sermon 1 Kings 19:1-15a

THE HEART HE REFRESHES

Hymn #330

Out of My Bondage, Sorrow and Night

*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. Nursery care for children up to the age of 5 is available downstairs.

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 *Happy Birthday to Mike Coussa!!!*

10:00 AM Worship Service

5:30 PM Youth Group

Wednesday *Happy Birthday to David Reitman!!!*

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

June 27, 28, 29, 30 – Union PA

Our Youth Group is at the Creation Festival

The largest Christian Music Fest in the Country

Pray for them as they travel, listen and enjoy!

Sunday *Happy Anniversary to Mike & Mercedes Perez!!!*

June 1 *Happy Birthday to Aaron Knowles*

10:00 AM Communion Service

- guidelines for your spiritual preparation are on the credenza

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:

2 Kings 2:1-16

Psalms 77:1-20

Galatians 5:1-25

Luke 9:51-62

Elijah ascends in a whirlwind

The God who works wonders

Be guided into real freedom

Jesus' disciples don't look back

Thank you to our good brothers and sisters of **Peniel Presbyterian Church** who hired an exterminator to come in and take care of our pesky ant problem! When you stir that ant-free sugar into your coffee, please send up and extra prayer of thanks and blessings for them!

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.

Thank you to all who provided a casserole for the folks at Rising Hope Mission church this past week. The casseroles were very much appreciated - they get a lot of sandwiches and enjoyed the hot meal. The provision of casseroles to Rising Hope Mission Church will continue throughout the summer on a monthly basis. Instead of making a sign up sheet for the casseroles, those who would like to provide a casserole should bring them in ahead of time and we will keep them in one of two freezers. If you would like to provide a casserole, please let Mary know and bring one in sometime in the next couple of weeks. If you have questions, contact Mary Hamilton (703-912-4705) or Kathy Knowles (703-425-5633).

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.

In the Covenant Companion – “Fleeced!” Rob Hall tells how fraud can put the faithful at risk, and how blind faith can lead to empty pockets. In “Sounds Like Good News” you will hear how a former exchange student attending a Covenant church started one of the largest gospel choirs in Europe. You can subscribe to our award-winning denominational magazine by calling 773-907-3310, or you can subscribe online at www.covchurch.org/communications. Subscriptions are \$19.95 a year.

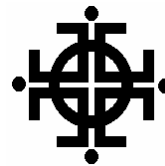
There IS Youth Group tonight. Join from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Your friends are welcome!

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.

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 necessity of the new birth. New birth in Christ means committing ourselves to him and receiving forgiveness, acceptance and eternal life. New birth is only the beginning. Growing into maturity in Christ is a lifelong process.