

WORSHIP IN THE GROWING SEASON

4th Sunday after Pentecost - June 28, 2009 – 10 AM

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

Steal Away – Afro-American Spiritual

*Call to Worship Psalm 130:5-7

Leader: I wait for the Lord,
my soul waits,
and in his word I hope.

People: *My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning
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Leader: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is mercy
and great power to redeem.

*Hymn 61

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Opening Prayer

Gospel Mark 5:21-43

+ The children's bulletins are based on this passage +

Our Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Offertory

*Hymn 48

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 478

O Seek the Lord in Prayer

The Message Matthew 24:15-16

BOOKS I HAVE NOT PREACHED FROM YET

Let the Reader Understand - Daniel

*Hymn 772

We Wait for a Great and Glorious Day

*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 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 contribute. We hope to see you again soon!

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Carl & Rose Rodgers
Ushers: Rob & Bob Ericson
Reader: Kristin Karlson
Nursery/Assistant: Lynda Seguin
Snack: Julie Fann
Sound Technician: None Scheduled
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled

SERVING NEXT WEEK: July 6

Greeter: Ruth Kendrick
Ushers: Aaron Knowles & Carl Rodgers
Communion Prep: Betty Sloat
Reader: Julie Fann
Nursery/Assistant: Kathy Knowles
Snack: None Scheduled
Sound Technician: David Reitman
Candle Lighter: Andrea Hamilton

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Tuesday Mike & Mercedes Perez
Aaron Knowles
Thursday Dustin Knowles

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. The deadline for bulletin announcements is 9 AM Friday.

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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.

THIS WEEK

Today 11:00 AM Fellowship and snack time
Enjoy our benches outside
The picnic area is also available
Saturday 4th of July Independence Day
Blessed be the name of God from age to age,
For wisdom and power are his (Daniel 2:29)
Sunday 10:00 AM Family Worship Service
July 5 Message from the Book of Joel
Celebration of Holy Communion

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

- Bring your Bibles* – It’s not all in the bulletin
- 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

Scripture Lessons to read for Sunday, July 5:

2 Samuel 5:1-10	David's anointed King of Judah
Psalms 123	We look to the Lord our God
2 Cor. 12:2-10	Caught up into Paradise
Mark 6:1-13	Jesus in his hometown

Thanks to the "Planting Partnership" for beautifying our building and grounds with so many new flowers! If you're willing to lend a hand this summer with planting and weeding and watering around the building to help keep our property attractive, please talk to Betty Sloat or Claire Bentley. If you can assist with mowing the lawn and other property upkeep, speak to Bill Anderson or Gordon Sloat.

Time to Look Ahead to the Women's Retreat at Black Rock! Our speaker this year is ordained Covenant Pastor Judy Swanberg. Reserve your place for this pleasant weekend as soon as possible. Brochures are on the table near the door of the sanctuary.

In the Covenant Companion: "Decoding Revelation's Dreams" – Max Lee, associate professor at North Park Seminary, takes a look at the Apocalypse. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

After a 2-½ month battle with cancer, Vi Henrikson, a beloved member of our church family died on June 18, 2009 in Winchester, MA. Vi had celebrated her 90th birthday on April 2. Pray for all who grieve especially daughter Kathy (with Vi throughout these last months) son Eric and grandchildren. Praise God for the reunion to come!

The Connelie family's new address:

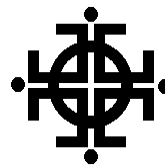
Call church office.

How to contact Pastor Benson: By phone by calling church office or by email (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.

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) and click on the Newswire button.

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

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.



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

Prayer Corner

*Before they call, I will answer,
And while they are speaking, I will hear.*

Isaiah 65:24

Praises and Prayers raised on behalf of the congregation:

Pray for the family of Vi Henrikson as they grieve her loss. Pray for the Connelies as they move to Washington. Please pray for Helen Enstrom as her confusion and dementia gets worse.

Please continue to pray for the following: Newberg family (comfort)
Cora (Future living) Family of Beth Bryan (comfort)

Praises and Prayers raised on behalf of relatives and friends:

Please pray for Aaron a 21-month-old who is diagnosed with cancer in his brainstem, also pray for Aaron's parents Nate and Lisa. Pray for Adelline Bunch who was born at 34 weeks and also for her parents Alix and Jett. Pray for Nancy who fell and suffers from a broken spine. Please pray for Vidalia, who may have colon cancer.

Please continue to pray for the following: Lutz family (comfort);
Melody's husband (cancer); Sue Berkley (Lymphoma)

Prayer Requests will be placed on the list for one month and removed, unless they are updated or we are asked to keep them on the list longer. Please check the prayer corner regularly, and give us updates on your Home Page.