

WORSHIP IN THE GROWING SEASON

12th Sunday after Pentecost - August 23, 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

O God, Almighty Father
Setting by Robert Powell

*Call to Worship Colossians 1:15-20

*Hymn 295

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*Opening Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson: John 6:56-69 Amy Ackerberg-Hastings, Reader

Our Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

*Hymn 48

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 439

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

The Message 2 John 1-13

BOOKS I HAVE NOT PREACHED FROM YET

2 John: The Teachings of Christ

*Hymn 662

Take the Name of Jesus Christ

*Benediction Jude 24, 25

*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 the 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

Greeter: Carl & Rose Rodgers
Ushers: Nelson Hastings & Lidiya Badassa
Reader: Amy Ackerberg-Hastings
Nursery: Kathy Knowles
Sound Tech: Bob Ericson
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled
Snack: Roberts

SERVING NEXT WEEK: August 30

Greeter: Youth Group
Ushers: Rob & Bob Ericson
Reader: Mary Hamilton
Nursery: Claire Bentley
Sound Tech: David Reitman
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled
Snack: Claire Bentley

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Tuesday Marc & Jen Seguin
Friday Jerry Butler, Grace Redding
Sunday Sharon Anderson

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

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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 Sign up to bring snack in the hallway The picnic area is also available
	6:30 PM	Book discussion in the kitchen: Three Cups of Tea – all are Invited to participate
Wednesday	7:30-9 PM	Summer Bible study and prayer meeting in the church kitchen this week - Daniel chapter 5 Get an update on our blogspot.
Sunday August 30	10:00 AM	Family Worship Service Message from the Book of 3 John

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

Scripture Lessons to read for Sunday, August 30:

Song of Solomon 2:8-13	The voice of my beloved
James 1:17-27	Be doers of the word
Mark 7:1-23	What defiles a person

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.

Sunday Morning Schedule Changing Soon – We are continuing with our summer Sunday morning schedule (no Sunday School, Worship at 10 AM) through Labor Day Weekend, Sunday, September 6. The school year schedule (Sunday School at 9:30 Am, Worship at 11) will commence on Sunday, September 13.

Book discussion on "Three Cups of Tea" will be August 23, Sunday – at 6:30 PM in the church kitchen. (Call Becky Ericson 703 – 503-3297 for more information)

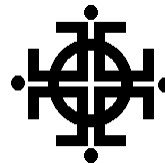
In the Covenant Companion: "The In-Between Time" – two articles take a look at intentional interim ministry: what churches need to know when the pastor leaves. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

How to contact Pastor Benson: By phone (703-451-6624; 703-455-4150; 703-505-0626) by mail (6624 Reynard Drive, Springfield, VA 22152) 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.

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

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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