

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, September 6, 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

Amazing Grace – Setting by David M. Clerwien

*Call to Worship

*Hymn 108

Sing Praise to the Father

*Opening Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

Second Lesson James 2:1-17 Bud Clark, Reader

+ The Children's Bulletins are based on this passage +

Gospel Mark 7:24-37

Our Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

*Doxology Hymn 48

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 402

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Sermon Jude 24, 25

BOOKS I HAVE NOT PREACHED FROM YET JUDE: THE BENEDICTION

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

*Affirmation of Faith Hymnal No. 878

The Barmen Declaration – Section III

*The Words of Institution 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

*Hymn 755

When We All Get to Heaven

*Benediction Jude 24, 25

*Postlude

*Those who are able please stand.

We're celebrating the Lord's Supper today. *If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your hearts that God raised him from the dead, you are welcome to join us – even if you're not a member of this congregation. Everyone will be invited to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. If for any reason you do not wish to participate, please feel free to remain in your seat. Children are welcomed at the Lord's table – the youngest are given grapes. Older children may receive the bread and the cup if, in the opinion of their parents, they understand the significance of the celebration and have put their faith in Christ*

SERVING TODAY

Greeter: Ruth Kendrick
Ushers: Aaron Knowles & Paul Seguin
Reader: Bud Clark
Nursery: Kathy Knowles
Communion: Lynda Seguin
Sound Tech: None
Candle Lighter: None Scheduled
Snack: Sloats

SERVING NEXT WEEK: September 13

Greeter: Erik & Anna Karlson
Ushers: To Be Announced
Reader: To Be Announced
Nursery: To Be Announced
Sound Tech: To Be Announced
Candle Lighter: To Be Announced
Snack: To Be Announced

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Wednesday Christopher Pruitt
Sunday Nicholas Kalis

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 11:15 AM Congregational Meeting:
Voting on Memberships
Election of New Council Members

Monday Labor Day

Wednesday 7:30-9 PM Bible Study and Prayer Meeting -
Our Summer Bible Study Concludes
With a look at Daniel Chapter 6

Next Sunday, September 13, is CHRISTIAN FORMATION

SUNDAY

9:30 AM Sunday School Begins: Come join the Celebration and find out what the Church family will be learning

11:15 AM Congregational Business Meeting
Voting on membership applications
Election of new council members

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, September 13:

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| Proverbs 1:20-33 | The complacency of fools |
| James 3:1-12 | Learning to control our tongues |
| Mark 8:27-38 | Will Jesus be ashamed? |

HELP!!!!!! Our volunteer list is looking rather sorrowful. We have need of volunteers to augment our already over-worked, steadfast little group of volunteers. There is a list on the table outside the sanctuary. Please sign up!

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: "CHIC Electrifies Youth" – Stan Friedman tells the story of how more than 5,000 teenagers encountered God this summer at CHIC. Also "Creation Care," find out why First Covenant Church stopped using Styrofoam cups. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

A Year of Living Biblically is the book to be discussed on Sunday, October 11, at 6:30 PM in the church kitchen. We encourage you to read the story of A.J. Jacob's quest "to follow every single rule in the Bible as literally as possible for one year" and to join in our discussion. Call Becky Ericson for more information: 703-503-3297.

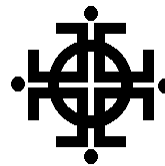
Autumn Gala – Covenant Village of Cromwell Benefit Event. Set aside Sunday evening October 11 for Covenant Village of Cromwell's Autumn Gala. Silent and teacup auctions will offer the opportunity to take home a treasure during the social hour. Following dinner, we will experience GLAD. These pioneers of contemporary Christian music place a strong emphasis on complex vocals with classical and jazz overtones. Proceeds will go towards benevolent care at CVOC. Tickets are \$60 each. For tickets or information, call Janet Carlson at (860) 754-3045. Reservation deadline October 6.

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

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