

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 24, 2010 – 11AM

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

Our Savior, Our Shepherd:
A Meditation – arr. Sikes

*Reading of Psalm 19 with Sung Response 2 Hymnal No. 788

*Opening Prayer

First Lesson Nehemiah 8:1-10

+The children's bulletin's for today are based on this passage +

Gospel Luke:4:14-21 Bud Clark, Reader

*Hymn 43

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Our Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory

+ Children age 3 to 2nd grade are dismissed for Jr. Jamboree +

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 533

The Highest Joy That Can Be Known

Sermon Nehemiah 8:8

PEOPLE UNDERSTOOD THE READING

*So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation.
They gave the sense, to that the people understood the reading.*

*Hymn 194

Arise, Your Light Is Come

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Those who are able please stand.

Welcome! Whether this is your first time with us, a return visit, or something that you do every Sunday, we're happy that you're here! Please fill out the Home Page inset 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 today you are under no obligation to contribute. We hope to see you again soon!

SERVING TODAY

Greeter: Carl & Rose Rodgers
Ushers: Nelson Hastings
Reader: Bud Clark
Nursery/Assistant: Lynda Seguin
Sound Tech: David Reitman
Snack: The Ericsons

SERVING NEXT WEEK: January 31

Greeter: None Scheduled
Ushers: Carl Rodgers
Reader: Kristin Karlson
Nursery/Assistant: Kathy Knowles
Sound Tech: Jim Hamilton
Snack: To Be Announced

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Today Rachel Doyle
Tuesday Mike Sanders
Saturday Dorothy 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 9:30 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
Tuesday 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
Saturday 10 AM – 3PM Rip N Roll at Bowie Cov.

Next Sunday, January 31 – The 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:30 PM Congregational Pot-Luck & Annual Meeting

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, January 31:

Jeremiah 1:4-10	Before I formed you in the womb
1 Cor. 13:1-13	A still more excellent way
Luke 4:21-30	They tried to throw Jesus off the cliff

CONGRATULATIONS to Bob Ericson, who has been named Football Scholar of the year at W.T. Woodson High School in Fairfax!

School Supplies for Afghan children – according to Phil Zeman, who is deployed in Afghanistan, there is a great need! If anyone is interested in donating to a “school supply” care package, please contact Kristin Zeman. Donations can be put in the box next to the credenza.

In the Covenant Companion: “Building Friendships in Alaska” – How remote village churches and regional conferences are forming partnerships to meet the challenges of life in the far north. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

COMING IN FEBRUARY:

Sunday, February 14 at 11AM – Scout Sunday with Troop 1853
Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 PM – Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday, Feb. 21 at 11 AM – Joint Service & Meal with Peniel

Covenant Crafters is Back! We will meet in January for crafting and Hobo soup. Date to be determined, but probably toward the end or middle of the month. Watch for a sign-up sheet!

The Congregational Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 31, following a pot-luck supper at 5:30 PM. Everyone is invited to participate in the fellowship and in the business meeting. Beverages and table service will be provided.

Ladies – It’s time for the “Rip ‘N Roll” session at the Bowie Covenant Church. Saturday, Jan 30th, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM (or as long as you can.)

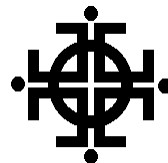
It’s warming up and summer is coming! That means camp! Brochures from Camp Squanto at Pilgrim Pines, our Covenant Conference Center on Lake Swanzey in southern New Hampshire, are on the credenza in the rear of the sanctuary. Camps are offered for children in 2nd grade up through High School Seniors. Sign up now for this life changing opportunity.

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.

How to contact Pastor Benson: By phone (703-451-6624; 703-455-4150; 571-201-9299) 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



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