

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Fifth Sunday in Lent - March 21, 2010 – 11AM
WHAT'S YOUR ONE STEP? – WEEK THREE

Welcome

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

A Crown for Me – arr. Stock bridge
("Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?")

Call to Worship

Galatians 6:14

*Hymnal 222

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*Opening Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer

First Lesson

Isaiah 43:16-21

Erik Karlson, Reader

Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offering

*The Doxology

Hymn 48

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 412

Be Thou My Vision

Sermon Series

John 12:1-8

What's your ONE Step?

CARING

"The gospel is passed on most effectively through
established relationships." Lon Allison

*Hymn 625

I Then Shall Live

*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 week, we're happy that you're here! Families with children are welcome in our worship services and nursery care for infants and toddlers is also available downstairs. We hope your experience here today will be encouraging and helpful to you spiritually.

SERVING TODAY

Greeter: None Scheduled
Ushers: Bob Ericson & Aaron Knowles
Reader: Erik Karlson
Nursery/Assistant: None Scheduled
Sound Tech: Jim Hamilton
Snack: Seguins

SERVING NEXT WEEK: March 28

Greeter: Carl & Rose Rodgers
Ushers: To Be Announced
Reader: Gordon Sloat
Nursery/Assistant: To Be Announced
Sound Tech: None Scheduled
Snack: Tim Strunk

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Today Liz Cameron, Jason Rodgers
Thursday Joseph Sanders, Jennie Stewart,
Jared Connelie
Friday Lydia Bentley

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

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| Today | 9:30 AM | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 AM | Worship Service |
| | 12:15 PM | Meeting in Kitchen to plan for Easter Brunch |
| Tuesday | 10:00 AM | Women's Bible Study |
| Wednesday | 7:30 PM | One Step Small Group Jim and Mary Hamilton's 6625 Reynard Dr. Springfield |
| Thursday | 7:30 PM | One Step Small Group Lynda and Paul Seguin's 12216 Harbor Dr. Woodbridge |
| Friday | 7:00 PM | One Step Small Group Rich and Ginny Newberg's 9714 Bunchberry Pl. Vienna |

Next Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday

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| 9:30 AM | Sunday School |
| 11:00 AM | Worship Service |
| | What's Your ONE Step? <i>Week Four - Share</i> |

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, March 21:

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| Isaiah 50:4-9 | I did not turn back |
| Phil. 2:5-11 | The mind of Christ |
| Luke 19:28-40 | The Palm Sunday Story |

In the Covenant Companion: “The Wrong Side of Righteous Anger” – Karl Clifton Soderstrom calls it “The Vice that resists Redemption.” Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

A Tenebrae Service will be held in our sanctuary on Good Friday Evening, April 2, at 7:30 PM including the Celebration of Holy Communion. The Service of Tenebrae (meaning “darkness” or “shadows”) involves the gradual extinguishing of lights and candles symbolizing the gathering darkness that accompanied the death of Christ on the cross. Eight Scripture Readers are needed for the service. If you can serve as one of the Readers, tell Pastor Benson today or make a note of it in your Home Page.

A Community Sunrise Service will take place at 6:30 AM on Easter Sunday, April 4, with our congregation participating. It will be Held in the cemetery overlooking the Fairfax County Parkway behind the old Sydenstricker Methodist Church on Hooes Rd.

Meet the People – the wonderful slide show about our congregation that David Reitman prepared for the Pastoral Search Committee and which was previewed at the Annual Meeting can be viewed at our website <http://covenantchurchva.org> and click on the “Meet the People” item on the left side.

It's Easter Time! Time to bring in your goodies for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring in your candy, or other treats to place in the plastic eggs and place them on the desk in the office. Thank You!

Conversations between adult children and their parents can often be difficult. Get help at HavingTheCoversation.org. Sponsored by Covenant Retirement Communities.

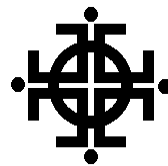
Thank you for the generous and timely Christmas gift, which we received from the congregation! Coming at this time, when we have purchased our new retirement home in Connecticut and are getting it ready for us to move into in July, your support, concern and prayers for us are deeply appreciated – Pastor John and Sandy Benson

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



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