

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 6, 2010 – 10:00 AM

Welcome Pastor 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

This Is My Father's World – arr. Page

*Call to Worship Psalm 146:2

Leader: All my life long, I'll be praising the Lord
People: Singing songs to my God as long as I live.

*Hymn 494 *O Let Your Soul Now Be Filled with Gladness*

*Prayer of Invocation

*The Lord's Prayer

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Scriptures From Psalms 127, 139, and Mark 10:13-16

Parent's Affirmation of Faith Nelson and Amy Ackerberg-Hastings

The Baptism of Peter Nelson Hastings Born June 6, 2008

Special Music Masterpiece By Sandi Patty
+ Tim, Jen and Thomas Garretson +

Prayer of Intercession. Blessing of the Family

Life Together: Announcements and Prayer Requests

Offertory *Air* G.F. Handel

*The Doxology Hymn 48

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 435 *Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment*

Sermon Reflections at Retirement 1 Timothy

ON BEING A FAMILY IN MINISTRY

Unison Prayer of Confession The Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*The Apostles' Creed Hymnal No. 878

*The Word's of Institution 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

*Hymn 552 *How Great the Joy the Lord Provides*

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Those who are able please stand.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Ruth Kendrick
Ushers: Nelson Hastings
Reader: None Scheduled
Nursery/Assistant: Linda Seguin
Snack: The Hastings
Sound Technician: Bob Ericson
Communion Prep: Betty Sloat

SERVING NEXT WEEK: June 13

Greeters: To Be Announced
Ushers: To Be Announced
Reader: To Be Announced
Nursery/Assistant: To Be Announced
Snack: To Be Announced
Sound Technician: To Be Announced

Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated this week:

Today John & Sandy Benson, Lynda & Paul Seguin,
Ginny Newberg, Dave Grimord
Monday Dustin & Liz Knowles
Friday Elizabeth Lusby, Andrew Kalis
Saturday Matt Rodgers
Sunday Rob & Becky Ericson

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 10:00 AM Worship Service
Tuesday 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
Friday 7:30 PM Potluck Supper at the Newberg's
Small Group Study on Human Trafficking
Everyone is invited to participate
Contact Ginny Newberg or Betty Sloat

Special Instructions for next Sunday, June 13 – Worship at 10 AM

Park in the church parking lot and walk next door to the Hunt Valley Swim Club, using the pathway along Sydenstricker Road between the front corner of our property and the entrance to the club. The service begins there with praise and worship songs led by David Reitman, continues with Bob Ericson's Baptism, and ends back in our sanctuary with the recognition of our graduates and Rev. Benson's 2nd Reflections on Retirement Sermon – "The Pastoral Record: It's Not Just a List of Names."

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

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 welcomed 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.

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 and receive the bread and the cup. If for any reason you do not wish to come forward, please feel free to remain in your seat. Even those whose only participation is by observation and silent meditation are blessed by this sacrament. 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.*

Scripture Lessons to read for next Sunday

1 Kings 21:1-21	Naboth's vineyard
Psalms 32	Happy are those who are forgiven
Galatians 2:15-21	I live by faith in the Son of God
Luke 7:36-8:3	As we forgive our debtors

Anyone who wishes to learn hula for the Benson's farewell luau should see Kathy after the service today so that we can coordinate practice sessions.

The Small Groups meeting at Rich and Ginny Newberg's house is a four week study on human trafficking which is a project sponsored by Covenant Women's Ministries. It will be based on the book, "Good News About Injustice" by Gary Haugen, CEO of International Justice Mission. We meet at 7:30 and begin with a potluck supper and then the study. If you are interested, please let Ginny or Betty know. Claire will be ordering the books this week.

We are honored and pleased to have some of our family with us today as we celebrate our 40th Wedding Anniversary: Our daughters Kristin, Sarah and Jennifer, as well as Jen and Tim's boys, 3 of our 4 grandsons, Markus, Lars, and Thomas Garretson from Warrensburg, MO. We are also grateful for our daughter, Laurel, her husband Ben, and our Grandson Benson, in Kenosha, WI. On Wednesday this week, we will be driving to CT with Jen and the boys, to show them our new home in Bristol. We are planning to return to Springfield on Saturday. We are grateful to God for the support, Community Covenant Church and the other congregations we have served – Pastor John and Sandy Benson

A Music and Worship meeting will be held on Sunday, June 13 to discuss music plans for when Pastor John and Sandy Benson leave

Our Summer Sunday Morning Schedule: Beginning today and continuing through Labor Day Weekend, the worship service will be held at 10 AM. In July and August, the congregation will be served by Interim Pastor, Peter Morris of Seattle. Rev. Morris is a graduate of North Park Seminary and recently served for 22 months as the Interim Pastor for Christ Covenant Church in Harleysville, PA. His Profile is posted on the bulletin board. Sunday School will resume in the fall.

Plans for the Sundays of June – All Worship Services are at 10 AM

June 13 Bob Ericson's Baptism. The service begins next door at the Hunt Valley Swim Club. Sermon: "The Pastoral Record: It's not Just a List of Names." Recognition of Graduates.

June 20 Celebration Father's Day. Sermon – "In Honor of My Father: Rev. Stanley A. Benson – The 1st Letter of Peter"

June 27 Pastor John and Sandy's Final Sunday. Farewell Ceremony. Sermon on 2 Corinthians 1:18-20 "Why We Say Amen."

The Benson's farewell party is scheduled for Saturday, June 26 at 4 PM. It will be a Luau and will be held here at the church.

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.

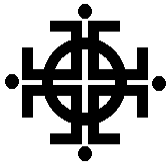
We want to honor our graduates: If someone in your family is graduating from High School, College, or has received an advance Degree this year, or know of someone in the church family who should be honored, please make a note of it on your Home Page insert today, giving school name, degree earned and further plans.

In the Covenant Companion: “Why Are You a Covenanter?” – In recognition of the 125th Anniversary of our denomination, Covenanters from across the country answer the question. Subscriptions to our award-winning denominational magazine are \$19.95 a year. Call 773-784-3000.

The Church Profile is now on the website. You can take a look at www.covenantchurchva.org. Thanks to the search committee for their hard work and dedication.

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.

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