

VISITORS WELCOME

If you are a 1st time visitor, welcome, and we have a gift for you! See the table in the Narthex by the church office, or visit The Hub to get your copy. We hope you find this book informative and inspiring. See you next week!

FREE BIBLES

CCPC has free Bibles for anyone who would like one. If you don't currently have a Bible, or if your only Bible is ancient, we would like to give you this gift, no questions asked! Pick up your copy in the Welcome Center, or at The Hub.

LIVE STREAMING

CCPC live streams our worship services every Sunday morning. Please join us in spirit by going to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/live-stream. You can also view archives of past services and sermons.

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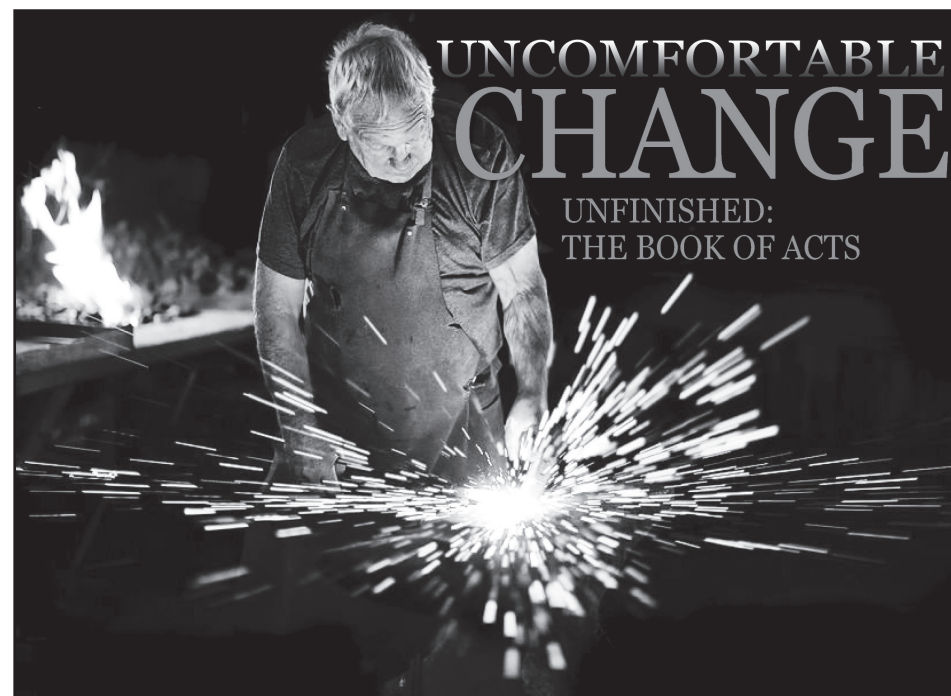
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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.

UNCOMFORTABLE CHANGE: MIXED BLESSINGS

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church
1806 Weston Avenue in Schofield, WI
Sunday, January 19th, 2020 - 10 a.m.
Uncomfortable Change: Mixed Blessings

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude: "Footsteps of Jesus" Lynn Theilig

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

This year we will read through the Book of Acts together, considering how the story of the early church might shape and guide our own congregation's story. Like Acts itself, we are Unfinished. Study this week's Acts passage and note the additional readings for the week in the Unfinished brochure or on our website.

Announcements VISITORS: Please fill out a connection card found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Lighting of the Candles: "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Lynn Theilig

Call to Worship: Psalm 30:4-5

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

*Weeping may linger for the night,
But joy comes with the morning.*

***Hymn:** "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" (vs. 1,2,4) #687

***Call to Confession:** Psalm 32:5

David writes, "Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin." Let us too make our confessions together.

SERVICE AND MISSIONS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES—As we begin the new year, it is a good time to explore opportunities to serve our faith community. If giving of your time and talents to the church is something you are interested in, we have some ways you can help! See the back of today's Connection Card to show your interest, or contact Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org) to learn more!

MILWAUKEE MISSION TRIP 2020—CCPC's annual mission trip to Milwaukee will take place Friday, February 7 to Sunday, February 9. The team will be serving meals at a men's homeless shelter, and helping at a health clinic at City on the Hill. Cost is \$100 and the deadline to sign up is Sunday, January 26. We'll also need help preparing snacks beforehand. If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Lapinske (715-573-5556 or hostmomjo@yahoo.com).

FUNERAL COMMITTEE—If you would like to help with food and/or preparations for funerals held at CCPC, please sign up in the old Welcome Center (by the name tags) to be a part of our team. If you have any questions, please speak with Kay Walkowicz (715-241-0158) or Kari Kufahl (715-212-9159).

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH—Our women's Bible study and lunch continues *THIS* Tuesday, January 21 at 12pm, and continues every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are spending the year studying the Book of Revelation with lunch being served each week. Please bring \$5 to help cover the cost if you plan on eating. Contact Jim Gates with questions!

BOOK CLUB—The Book Club will be meeting on Monday, January 27 to discuss "There, There" by Tommy Orange. The gathering will take place at Joan Jackson's home (2001 Zimmerman, Wausau) at 6:30pm. If you plan to attend, contact Joan at 715-573-7009 or jokajax@yahoo.com.

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

KID'S L.I.F.E.—Kid's L.I.F.E. will coincide with our adult classes *THIS* Wednesday, January 22 at 6pm. We offer nursery care, as well as programming for preschool (Mighty Mites), kindergarten through 2nd grade (K2), and 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders (Crew 345). If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Fuls at amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org.

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP—Salt and Light Youth Group continues *THIS* Wednesday, January 22 at 6pm in Bouldin Hall for all 6th through 12th grade students. Don't come alone; invite your friends to experience it with you! If you have any questions, please contact Dan Frost at dan@covenantcommunitypc.org.

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!—If your kids are interested in attending camp this summer, we have a scholarship for anyone who attends Bible Camp or Bible Day Camp. Please contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) for the form to fill out, or go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/summer-camps>.

OTHER NEWS

BUY SCRIP-ORDERS DUE TODAY!—Kwik Trip and Trigs cards have been restocked and new 2020 order schedules are available at the Scrip table! January orders are due TODAY, with *deliveries on January 26*. Find out more and get all your questions answered by seeing Pam Higgins (715-573-8067) or Kate Lillie (715-581-9666).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

BIRTHDAYS—This week we celebrate birthdays for the following members of our faith family: *Dennis Fehrman (Jan. 20), Margaret Hawkins (Jan. 20), Jack Fraaza (Jan. 21), Peggy Kamenick (Jan. 21), Mason Platta (Jan. 20), Jen Hitt (Jan. 22), Linda Vogen (Jan. 22), Barbara Hitt (Jan. 23), Susan Ringuet (Jan. 23), Max Fraaza (Jan. 24), Jodi Muschinske (Jan. 24)*. If someone is missing from our recognitions, please contact Sarah Maciaz at sajemaciaz@gmail.com to have them added.

NEW VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING SERVICE FOR CCPC!— If you serve as a volunteer on Sunday mornings or weekly programming, we would like to introduce you to *Planning Center Services!*, our new scheduling app. We invite you to go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/volunteer-services and learn how to download and utilize this wonderful tool for our faith family! **Note: CCPC is charged PER PERSON for the service. Because of this, you will not be able to login to the app until your ministry leader has added you to the system, at which time you will receive a “welcome” email.** Staff will be available at The Hub after worship to help answer any questions.

ONLINE GIVING PORTAL HAS CHANGED— As of January 1, we are using a new online giving portal on our website. This new portal uses Stripe, which will cost us less while also reducing the work load on our staff - a win-win! Like before, you can give online using either ACH Bank Transfer (also known as e-checks) or with a debit or credit card. Now, however, you can also give via Apple Pay - a more secure means of online giving than the traditional credit card method. If you have any questions or would like some more information, please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Angela Frost (angela@covenantcommunitypc.org).

2020 PER CAPITA— This year's per capita is \$37. Feel free to submit this payment in the offering plate, or by stopping by the church office.

NEW MATCHING GIFT FOR CCPC!— We have received a new matching gift for \$25,000! Every new dollar given or pledged to reduce our mortgage will be matched with an additional dollar. This opportunity to double your gift will last until *February 28, 2020*. To give towards this matching gift, you can write a check to CCPC and simply put “Matching Gift” on the memo line. Alternatively, you can make a new donation on our website or submit a new pledge on our website at <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give>.

STEWARDSHIP 2020: OUR NEXT CHAPTER—Our pledge season continues with an amazing contribution from you all! As of last Sunday, we've had 129 commitments reaching \$405,792 of our \$410,000 goal! Please note that you can still return your cards to the church office at any time, drop them in today's offering plate, or pledge online at <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/give>. If you have not received a pledge card, you can pick one up at The Hub.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT L.I.F.E.— Our Living In Faith Everyday (L.I.F.E.) classes for the winter will continue *THIS* Wednesday, January 22 through February 12 for all ages. Adults, please join us for, "Leading Change Like Jesus," at 6pm. Don't forget to join us for dinner at 5:30pm! If you have any questions, contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org), or go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/wednesday-night-life-1> for more information and to watch/listen to previous classes.

WALK TO EMMAUS GATHERING—The Fox Valley Walk to Emmaus Gathering will be held at CCPC on Saturday, February 8 beginning at 1pm. There will be a potluck lunch, followed by a time of music, Fourth Day testimonials and worship. All are welcome to attend! If you would like to learn more, please contact Bob Warner (bobw4860@gmail.com) or visit the website at foxvalleyemmaus.com.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Father, our eternal God, you alone are worthy of our highest praise. Forgive us for our inconsistent obedience and faltering worship. Make us love you above all things, that we might serve our brothers and sisters with a love that is worthy of you. And in the seasons of change, as we face both joy and sorrow, inspire us to trust your word: that joy comes in the morning, and that you can turn even our mourning into dancing.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection.)

***Assurance of Pardon:**

Acts 4:11-12

Hear the words of the Apostle Peter. “This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’ There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.” Today we celebrate the salvation we receive through the power and name of Jesus Christ! Thanks be to God!

Amen!

***Gloria Patri:**

#581

Children’s Message:

[Children may come forward for a short lesson and prayer.]

****NOTE** Children ages 2-3rd grade are invited to Kids Worship in the activity room downstairs. Parent pick up is required after worship. Kids in 4th grade and up will participate in main worship; there are activity bags or sermon notes in the Narthex.

***Period of Fellowship: Welcome one another as Christ welcomes you.**

***Hymn:**

"Come Sing to God" (vs. 1,4)

#805

Please fill out top portion of the connection cards found in your bulletin.

Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament:	<i>Psalm 30</i>	<i>Page 505</i>
Special Music:	<i>“Blessings”</i>	<i>Stephanie Finamore</i>
New Testament:	<i>Acts 12:1-25</i>	<i>Page 131</i>
Sermon:	<i>Uncomfortable Change: Mixed Blessings</i>	<i>Jim Gates</i>

Responding to the Word

***Hymn:** "When Peace Like a River" (vs. 1,3,4) #840

***Affirmation of Faith:** Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory Music: "Nettleton" Lynn Theilig

***Doxology**

Those participating in the Children's Choir are dismissed for practice.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction:** "Seek Ye First" (vs. 1,2) #175

Postlude: "Praise the Triune God" Lynn Theilig

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for donuts, cookies, and coffee.

Welcome to Covenant Community!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us and sincerely hope you get a blessing from the service. Some notes to help you be more comfortable during the service:

- † Please participate in congregational responses (bold)
- † Please stand as able, as marked with an asterisk *
- † Please fill out the Connection Card insert.
- † Feel free to use the Cry Room (you will be able to see & hear the service) and/or Nursery located across from the sanctuary
- † Hearing devices are available in the orange box in the Narthex.

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHURCH—The officers and members of CCPC welcome all persons who wish to respond to the Lordship of Jesus Christ by confessing or reaffirming their Christian Faith or by transferring their membership. We invite you to accept this invitation if you do not have a church home. Please speak with Jim Gates, note your interest on the Connection Card, or phone the church office (715) 359-6467. You are welcome here.

THANK YOU—to all who help make this morning's Worship and Fellowship meaningful: Worship Leader **Deb Tice**; Elder Greeters **Joanne Lapinske & Jeff Gramling**; Gatekeeper **Charlie Lewis**; Projection Team **Drew Bouché & Charlie Lewis**; Live Streaming Operator **Derek Nelson**; The Hub **Deb Bouché**

PRAYER REQUESTS—**Sandra Vachowiak** (Mount View Care Center), **Dorothy Swazee** (Mountain Terrace), **Bess Vick** (The Benedictine), **Cheryl Lenz** (Colby), **Dee Jenkins** (Home), **Greg Falkowski** (Home), **Tom Scott** (Home), and **Don Hawkins** (Home) were in the hospital recently or reside in assisted-care.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	11:15 a.m.	Covenant of Salt Mentor Meeting Venture Crew Meeting (Downstairs)
Monday	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Session Dartball (Away)
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study & Lunch
Wednesday	3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Food Pantry L.I.F.E. Dinner L.I.F.E. Classes
	7:00 p.m.	Salt & Light Youth Group
	7:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sheepshead Institute of Discipleship (I.D.) Worship Children's Choir Practice L.I.F.E. Kids Archery Outing Covenant of Salt Kickoff Dinner