

LIVE STREAMING

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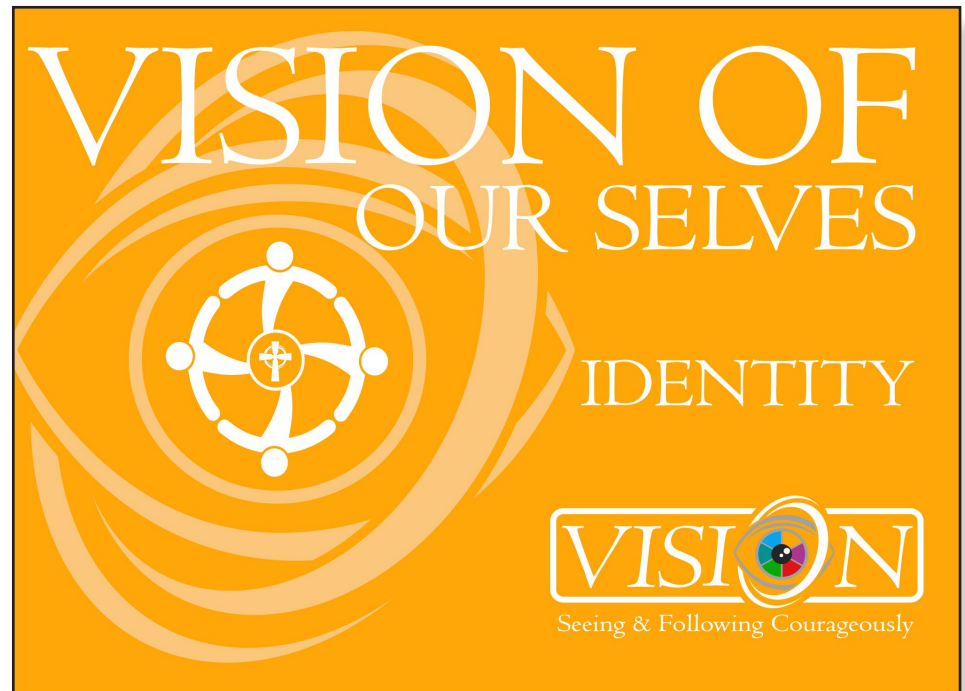


COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...

Changing lives forever!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2022 - 10 A.M.

VISION OF OUR SELVES: IDENTITY
SOUL

Prelude: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" JeHae Kim-Bixby

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

Scripture challenges us to walk by faith, not by sight; to see the world through the eyes of Christ. What present, and future, does Jesus see when looking at our world? At your life? Where does God's vision compliment or conflict with the dreams you have for yourself, or the expectations others have for you? Prayerfully reflect this morning on how you might come to see God's vision with greater clarity.

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship:

Psalm 103:1-2, 22

*Praise the LORD, my soul,
All my inmost being, praise his holy name.*

*Praise the LORD, my soul,
And forget not his benefits.*

*Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the LORD, my soul.*

***Hymn:** "Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy" (vs. 1,2,3) #415

***Call to Confession:**

Psalm 42:1

As the deer pants for streams of water, so our souls pant for the LORD our God. When we try to quench our soul's thirst with lesser things, we become even more parched. Therefore, let us remember our God together as we unite in prayer.

***Prayer of Confession:**

At times this week, Father, our souls have been downcast and disturbed within us. We have tried to numb ourselves, distract ourselves, or busy ourselves, so that we can continue in the course we've chosen. But all along, you offer freely what we need most desperately – living water for our souls.

Therefore we will remember you today. Your living water is not only a spring but waves that sweep over us. Forgive us for drinking sand when water abounds. By day, direct your love; by night, keep your song with us. This is our prayer to the God of our life.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

BIBLE READING PLAN - OLD TESTAMENT — We continue through the Old Testament on the Bible App. To join in any time, download the free Bible App (aka YouVersion) from the Apple or Google stores and click on the link included in your emails, or call the church for help anytime. If you want to follow along without the app, simply read three chapters a day, continuing **TOMORROW** with Numbers 9-11 (use today as a catch up day).

ADULT LIFE - C.A.S.K.E.T. OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY — Join us **THIS** Wednesday as we conclude our 8-week overview of the **CASKET** summarization of the story of the Old Testament. And don't forget about dinner at 5:30pm (this week we will be having pizza and desserts)! Buy your meal tickets Wednesday nights at the Hub or on our website.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Our men's Bible Study continues to meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, including **THIS** Tuesday, February 22 at 12pm in Bouldin Hall, and on zoom. We are currently looking at the minor prophets. Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) with questions.

"MIDDLE" SINGLES SMALL GROUP— Our small group for singles (those in the "middle" - not in their 20s and not retirement age) meets **WEEKLY** on Sundays during I.D. (9am) in the small conference room (next to Dan Frost's office). Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) with questions.

NEW SMALL GROUP FOR SINGLES 60 AND OLDER— We are hoping to launch a new CCPC small group for people who are single, and 60 or older. This group **might meet every other Wednesday at 1pm** (we are still working out the time frame). If you have questions or would like to learn more, please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org)!

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP — Students who are in 6th through 8th grades gather on Wednesdays at 6pm for Salt & Light Youth Group, with 9th through 12th graders meeting on Sunday nights, including **TONIGHT!** Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions.

KID'S I.D. & KID'S L.I.F.E.— We continue our February "Opposite Day" theme for Kid's I.D. (*Sundays at 9am*) and Kid's L.I.F.E. (*Wednesdays at 6pm*), with backwards and upside down fun while learning about Jesus' teachings. Parents, be checking your email for weekly/monthly details and be sure to check out our YouTube channel and Facebook Parent's Group! We upload teaching videos, keep parents connected, and continue our conversations from Sunday mornings/ Wednesday evenings.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR MARCH & APRIL

- Ash Wednesday - **March 2**
- Online Auction Begins - **March 5**
- Invitation Sunday - **March 6**
- Reception and Gala - **March 12**
- Secret A.G.E.N.T.S. Reveal - **March 13**
- Eggstravaganza - **April 9**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE— March 2 is Ash Wednesday, the first day of the season of Lent, as we prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. Service begins at 6pm and will also be live streamed.

INVITATION SUNDAY — Do you have a friend, family member, or coworker that you've been wanting to invite to church? Here's your opportunity to introduce them to our faith family as we kickoff Lent with a new mini series "Vision of God" on Sunday, March 6. We'll also have all of our 26th Annual Auction items on display for folks to see! It's a great day to experience our community! Invitation Sunday cards will be distributed as you leave the Sanctuary today, so pick them up and give them to someone you'd like to bring to church.

SAVE-THE-DATE: SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. REVEAL PARTY— The 2021-22 Secret A.G.E.N.T.S. reveal party will be taking place on Sunday, March 13 after worship in Bouldin Hall. It will be a great time of food, fellowship, and the all-important reveal of who the kid's Secret Agent is! For those who cannot be with us in person, we will have a Zoom component for participation. If you participated in the ministry this year and plan on attending, please contact Jason Fandrey (jason.fandrey@gmail.com) to let him know who will be joining you.

JIM GATES SABBATICAL — Jim Gates will be going on sabbatical over a 3-month period this coming summer. This means that he will be unavailable for anything church related and will be away from the building from May 16 through August 14. Jess Wakefield will be filling in for the pastoral duties during that time, and the rest of the church staff will of course be available. If you have any questions, please contact Jim at jim@covenantcommunitypc.org.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE AT CCPC — Our Session is thrilled to announce that one of our 2022 Wildly Important Goals (W.I.G.) is to begin offering a contemporary worship service on Sunday evenings. This will begin Kickoff Sunday, September 11, 2022. We have formed a committee to find a part-time music director for this service. To learn more about this new staff position, go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/open-positions>. If you have any questions about this new development at CCPC, contact Jim Gates.

MISSIONS

26TH ANNUAL MISSIONS AUCTION & GALA — The 26th Annual Mission Auction & Gala, "Carry the Light," will take place the week of March 5-12. This week-long, *ONLINE* event will conclude with an in-person reception/gala on Saturday, March 12. The reception (hors d'oeuvres/desserts and item viewing) begins at 5pm (*free ticket or online RSVP required to attend; available at the Hub and on our website*) with the gala beginning at 6pm (*tickets/RSVP is not necessary to attend*). For more information on all things auction related, please visit www.covenantcommunitypc.org/auction.

PINE RIDGE, SD MISSION TRIP — This summer we will travel to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and work with Wings as Eagles ministries as we share hope with the children of the poorest community in the US. The trip will take place July 23-31 and is open to youth and adults (6th graders and up). We will allow 3rd-5th graders provided they are accompanied by a parent or adult relative, 21 or older. To learn more or to register, visit our website: www.covenantcommunitypc.org/pine-ridge.

***Assurance of Pardon:** *Psalm 42:11*
"Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in Jesus, for I will yet praise him, my savior and my God." Thanks be to Jesus our Lord! **Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

Children's Message:

[Children may come forward and be seated on the stage.]

Period of Fellowship

***Hymn:** "As the Deer" (x2) #626

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: *Psalm 42* Page 515

Special Music: "It is Well with My Soul" Handbell Choir

New Testament Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28 Page 205

Sermon: *Vision of Our Selves: Identity - Soul* Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn:** "Bless the Lord (10,000 Reasons)" (Sing Refrain) See Screen

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer See page 4

Offering

Offertory Music: "Be Still, My Soul" JeHae Kim-Bixby

***Doxology**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction:** "Lift High the Cross" #826

Postlude: JeHae Kim-Bixby

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

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 or Drew Bouché, note your interest on the Connection Card, or phone the church office (715) 359-6467. You are welcome here!

OUR AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLE'S 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS/PERFORMERS

Thank you to all who make this morning's worship meaningful!

Worship Leader: Deb Tice

Live Stream: Chris Rhyner

Elder Greeter: Bob Warner &
Gary Freels

Slides: Jared Fuls

Greeters: Barb Smejkal
& Judy Geurink

Fellowship: Beth Kulaf

Gatekeepers: Dave Stamper
& Christina Gilbertson

The Hub: Deb Wakefield

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following folks who were recently in the hospital or reside in an assisted-care facility.

Tom Scott
(Home)

Dee Jenkins
(Home)

Don Hawkins
(Home)

Cheryl Lenz
(Colonial Center in Colby)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>		<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	
9AM	I.D.	7PM	DARTBALL	NOON	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	3PM	FOOD PANTRY
9AM	SINGLES SMALL GROUP			7PM	CELEBRATE RECOVERY	5:30PM	L.I.F.E. DINNER
10AM	WORSHIP					6PM	KID'S/ADULT L.I.F.E.
6PM	HS YOUTH GROUP					6PM	MS YOUTH GROUP
						6PM	KID'S/BELL CHOIR
						7PM	CHOIR PRACTICE
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
2PM	SHEEPSHEAD			1PM	VISITATION FOR DAVE MICHNA	9AM	I.D.
4:30PM	FAITH & FITNESS					9AM	SINGLES SMALL GROUP
						10AM	WORSHIP
						6PM	HS YOUTH GROUP

For more details about CCPC programming, refer to the next couple of pages in this bulletin, go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org, or call the church office at 715-359-6467.