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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...
Changing lives forever!

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SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2023 - 10 A.M.

THE NEXT GENERATIONS:
A CHIP OFF THE OLD BLOCK

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Prelude: "He is Exalted" JeHae Kim-Bixby

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

The first words of the Bible are "in the beginning." We know that God was there at the beginning of all things; and that even today, God is the source of new beginnings. As we prepare for worship, consider where Christ has already been the source of blessing in your life, and in what parts of your life you hope the Spirit will inspire something new to spring forth.

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles:

Call to Worship: Genesis 26:2-4

The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; settle in the land that I shall show you.

Reside in this land as an alien, and I will be with you and will bless you,

For to you and to your descendants I will give all these lands, and I will fulfil the oath that I swore to your father Abraham.

I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven

And will give to your offspring all these lands,

And all the nations of the earth shall gain blessing for themselves through your offspring.

***Hymn:** "When We All Get to Heaven" (vs. 1,2,3,4) See Screens

***Call to Confession:**

Paul challenges his church in Corinth, saying "I am not writing this to make you ashamed but to admonish you as my beloved children." We too are challenged and admonished as beloved children; to turn away from sin and towards Christ our Lord. In response to this, we make our prayer of confession.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Father, we acknowledge we are quick to imitate earthly behaviors, and slow to imitate the spiritual behaviors of our parents-in-Christ. Re-enacting the mistakes of our ancestors, and of our younger selves, happens more often that we would like to admit.

Forgive us for falling to all-to-familiar patterns of sin. By your grace, help us walk the narrow gate and hard path, behind those in the great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us. Lord give us grace that we, like them the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. REVEAL PARTY — To all Sr. and Jr. Agents, we will be having our mission ending reveal party *NEXT* Sunday, March 12 after service in Bouldin Hall. If you plan on attending in person or via Zoom, please contact Jason Fandrey at jason.fandrey@gmail.com. More details to come!

CCPC YOUTH GROUP — Students who are in 6th through 8th grades gather on Wednesdays at 6pm (including this week) for CCPC Youth Group. All 9th-12th graders will meet Sunday evenings from 4pm-5:30pm (including *TODAY*), prior to our evening service. Contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions. **Please note that there will be no M.S. Youth Group March 22 due to spring break.**

KID'S MINISTRY PROGRAMMING— CCPC Kids continue our journey by looking at the life of Jesus in the Gospels. March's theme is "Changing Gears", a look at how Jesus can change anything. This theme is included in I.D. at 9am Sunday mornings, during Kid's Worship and "Wiggles" (evening service), and during Wednesday night L.I.F.E. at 6pm. Contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions. **Please note that there will be no Kid's L.I.F.E. March 22 due to spring break.**

YOUTH GROUP CONFERENCES 2023 — CCPC Youth Ministry is thrilled to offer an amazing experience for our rising 6th-12th grade students! In the summer of 2023, we will be attending two separate conferences as a group! The Quest Conference, taking place June 18-23, is for our high school students entering 9-12 grades, while The Great Escape Conference, July 10-15, is for our middle school students entering 6-8 grades. Pick up a brochure at the Hub or go to: <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/youth-conferences>. **Deadline for registration and the initial deposit is April 2!**

EGGSTRAVAGANZA 2023 - DONATIONS/VOLUNTEERS — Easter is right around the corner and that means that Eggstravaganza will be upon us! Spread the word to family and friends that we will have food, fun, and a whole lot of eggs on Saturday, April 1, here at the church! We are looking for food donations of pancake mix, butter, syrup, eggs, and candy. We'll be stuffing plastic eggs on March 16, so candy donations must be turned in by March 15! We're also looking for ALL KINDS of volunteers. Speak with Amanda Fuls if you'd like to participate.

CCPC KID'S MUSIC — Do your kiddos like to sing or play instruments? Want to instill in your children a desire to worship the Lord with music? Then please have them join us every Sunday morning at 9am, downstairs, for CCPC Kid's Music practice! We will be practicing for an upcoming performance in an upcoming Sunday morning service. Contact Deb Perrin (deb@covenantcommunitypc.org) if you have any questions.

CCPC BUDGET/ATTENDANCE

THROUGH DECEMBER 2022:

Actual Operating Revenues: **\$48,710**

Actual Operating Expenses: **\$47,153**

FEBRUARY 26 ATTENDANCE:

AM In-Person Total: **205**

AM Livestream Total: **108**

PM In-Person Total: **33**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAUNDY THURSDAY SEDER MEAL — Join us on Thursday, April 6 at 6pm for a Seder Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. This is a full meal, with all the special ceremony surrounding the observance of the Passover. It was a meal like this, celebrating the Passover, that Jesus shared with his disciples on the night he was betrayed. This service will include communion. If you plan on attending, please sign up at the Hub.

NEW COMMUNITY BOARD — We are thrilled to bring a new form of connection and communication here at CCPC in the form of a Community Board located in the Fellowship Hall. This place of information is for work offered and needed, business cards, items for sale or that are needed, and volunteer opportunities outside of our church community. Please do not post anything without leaving a request in the box or speaking to Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Dave and Sara Farrar (farrara1dave@frontier.com or farrarsara1962@gmail.com). A huge thank you to the Farrars for the idea and contributions!

DOOR HANG ADVERTISING DISTRIBUTION — We continue to invite everyone to select a section(s) of the Wausau area (it can be your neighborhood and/or any other area) to pray over and distribute door hang ads! Want an activity for your family as spring approaches? Maybe you have a small group or Bible study group that could go out together. This campaign will continue for as long as we need to get the word out around the Wausau area... and we still have so many neighborhoods to cover! Speak with Drew Bouché to pick some up!

MISSIONS & VOLUNTEERING

2023 MISSION AUCTION & SHOE SALE- THANK YOU! — An enormous thank you to all who came and gave at last night's Mission Auction & Shoe Sale. An equally large thank you to everyone who gave of their time and treasure to make this amazing event happen. We will share what we raised in the next couple of weeks! Also, if you have an item that you won or purchased and have yet to bring it home, please do so TODAY. You can find them in the Fellowship Hall.

"BREAKING EVERY CHAIN" - ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING MEETING — To help plan for our "Breaking Every Chain" Anti-Human Trafficking event taking place October 21, we will be having a meeting at 9:15am NEXT Sunday, March 12 in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in being a part of planning the event, join us at the meeting or contact Ruth Wrynski (715-409-0582) or Joanne Lapinski (715-573-5556).

BRIDGE ST. SOBER LIVING HOUSE VOLUNTEERS — The Mission Committee is looking for folks to cook and serve meals at the Sober Living Center every month (1st & 4th Tuesday, 4th Wednesday). Meals will be for 15-20 people. Guidance on how to do all of this can/will be arranged. You can sign up for these opportunities in 2023 at the counter by the name tags. If you have any questions, contact Kari Kufahl (kari.kufahl@gmail.com; 715-212-9159).

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Our study on the Gospel of John continues! Come join us for an exploration of the Gospel written by the beloved disciple. Women meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, including THIS Tuesday, March 7 at noon. All women, including newcomers, are welcome!

*Assurance of Pardon:

Hebrews 12:1-2

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God." Believe the good news — through the victory of Jesus, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to him!
Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Period of Fellowship

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 26:1-33 Page 22

Special Music: "Will You Go to Calvary" CCPC Choir

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:14-17 Page 168

Sermon: "The Next Generations: A Chip off the Old Block" Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn:** "How Firm a Foundation" (vs. 1,2,3) #463

The Sacrament of Communion

Offering

Offertory Music: "Higher Ground" JeHae Kim-Bixby

*Doxology

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

***Choral Benediction:** "How Firm a Foundation" (vs. 5) #463

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
- † Activity bags for children are available 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!

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

Thank you to all who serve the church on Sunday mornings!

Worship Leader: Stephanie Finamore

Usher Lead: Jesse Lawton

Acolytes: Emily & Oliver Fandrey

Live Stream: Derek Nelson

Elder Greeter: Julie Nelson
& Lynda Reis

Slides: Luke Coenen

Youth Greeters: Tom & Carol Anklam

Fellowship: Dan & Patty
Luessenhop

The Hub: Terri Goldsworthy

Gatekeeper: Braydon Briggs

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Mary Zuidema
(Renaissance in Wisconsin Rapids)

Joyce Michna
(Fond du Lac)

Mike Petterson
(Hospice House)

Stella Lamping
(Home)

Cheryl Lenz
(Colonial Center in Colby)

Jerry Pearson
(Home)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>		<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	
9AM	I.D./CONFIRM/ KID'S MUSIC	6PM	DARTBALL AT GOOD SHEPHERD	12PM	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	3PM	FOOD PANTRY
10AM	WORSHIP			6PM	CELEBRATE RECOVERY	6PM	KID'S L.I.F.E.
11:15AM	WOMEN'S SM. GRP.					6PM	MS YOUTH GROUP
11:15AM	HAITI EVENT					6PM	BELL CHOIR PRACTICE
4PM	BAND REHEARSAL					7PM	ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE
4:30PM	HS YOUTH GROUP						
6PM	WORSHIP						
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
12PM	OLD GUYS RULE AT PIZZA RANCH					9AM	I.D./CONFIRM/ KID'S MUSIC
12PM	LUNCH BUNCH					10AM	WORSHIP
2PM	SHEEPSHEAD					11:15AM	WOMEN'S SM. GRP.
4:30PM	FAITH & FITNESS					11:15AM	SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. REVEAL PARTY
						4PM	BAND REHEARSAL
						4:30PM	HS YOUTH GROUP
						6PM	WORSHIP

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.