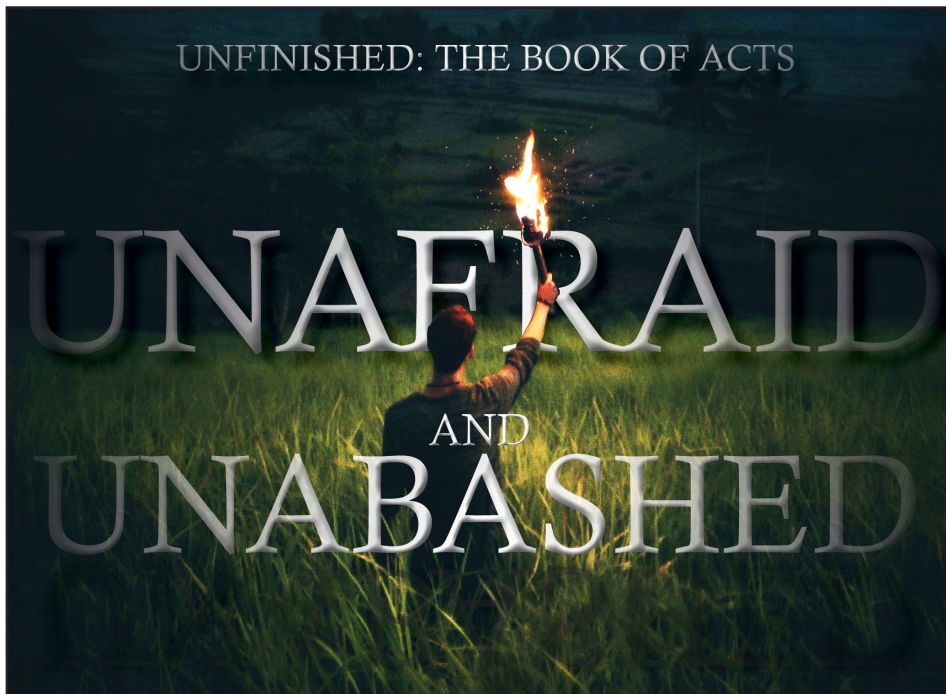




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SUNDAY, MAY 10TH, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.

UNAFRAID & UNABASHED:
COURAGE FOR BLENDING IN
AND STANDING OUT

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 give, fill out a Connection Card, and also view archives of past services and sermons all from the comfort of your home.

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Gathering Around the Word

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 at www.covenantcommunitypc.org/unfinished-sermon-series.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship:

Psalm 34:1,3

I will extol the LORD at all times;
His praise will always be on my lips.

Glorify the LORD with me;
Let us exalt his name together.

*Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (vs. 1,2) #65

*Call to Confession:

Scripture invites us to "taste and see that the LORD is good." But we have sought out other goods this week, forgetting the goodness of God. Let us therefore join together in our prayer of confession.

*Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

*Assurance of Pardon:

Psalm 103:8-12

"The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." Believe the good news; in Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!

Children's Message

Mother's Day Greetings

Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 34:1-14 NRSV Bible

New Testament Reading: Acts 21:17-36 NRSV Bible

Sermon: Unafraid & Unabashed: Jim Gates
Courage for Blending In and Standing Out

Responding to the Word

*Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal" (vs. 1,3) #269

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory Music: Maiah & Elli Briggs

Connection Card and giving are available on the live stream web page.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

Announcements

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (vs. 1,6) #687

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DVDS AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WITHOUT INTERNET ACCESS—CCPC will be making available DVDs of our worship services for those who do not have access to the Internet. If you know someone who does not have the ability to watch our live stream or archived sermons on our website, please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) or Drew Bouché (drew@covenantcommunitypc.org).

THE HERO TREE AT CCPC—Galatians 5:22-23 tells us that “the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.” These Christ-like attributes define heroes in our lives. And it is in times such as these that we are witness to so many heroic deeds. In light of this, CCPC invites you to honor the heroes in our community, and in your personal life, by acknowledging them on our “Hero Tree,” located outside the west entrance of our building. From healthcare workers and grocery store clerks, to parents and neighbors, this recognition is open to anyone that has impacted you in a positive way during this pandemic. Their first name and last initial, along with the person honoring them will be written on a ribbon and hung on the tree. We will also alert your hero that they have been honored in this way. To have your hero ribbon placed on the tree, please go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/hero-tree>.

FCA CANS FOR KIDS—Our church’s aluminum can drop site is gone - but you can still give your cans to God! Help out the Fellowship of Christian Athletes by dropping your cans at any of the following locations: *Old Wausau Shopko* (17th Ave. directly across from John Muir), *BP Gas Station* (Wausau Ave., Hwy 52, and 7th St.), *Lamb’s Fresh Market Rib Mountain* (2900 Rib Mountain Dr.), and *Schofield Ace Hardware* (Schofield Ave., Business 29).

1-MINUTE DAILY PRAYER—As the entire world navigates the COVID crisis, we know that there is no greater power than prayer. Coming to God in the name of Jesus for healing, hope, strength, and wisdom can move mountains, especially when we do it in one voice! Join us every evening at 8pm for 1 minute of prayer for the world, our nation and community, as well as our loved ones and friends. Let us kneel together and allow God to be in control!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT L.I.F.E. (LIVING IN FAITH EVERYDAY)—Continuing *THIS* Wednesday at 6pm and running through May 20 via Zoom, our Spring L.I.F.E. (Living In Faith Everyday) class will explore what it means to be Church in Your Street. We are covering topics including prayer walking your home, mission to your neighbors in the shutdown, spiritual conversations, and even how to host a social-distancing-friendly prayer gathering on your lawn. In so doing, hopefully we will make a permanent change and see our homes and streets as the primary place of our Christian work and mission! For further instructions on how to participate, be on the lookout for this week’s Covenant Connection email, or go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/wednesday-night-life-zoom>.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM—The men’s Bible study will be meeting *THIS* Tuesday, May 12 at 12pm via Zoom, as well as every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. You can learn more about that Zoom program on our website at <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/using-zoom>. If you have not been a part of

these studies in the past but would like to join us now, simply contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org).

BOOK CLUB VIA ZOOM—The Book Club invites you to join them via Zoom! The discussion will be about “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” by Mark Twain and will take place Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30pm.

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KID’S L.I.F.E. (LIVING IN FAITH EVERYDAY)—Kid’s Spring L.I.F.E. continues via Zoom! Our Mighty Mites (preschoolers) are connecting at 4pm *THIS* Wednesday, May 13 (thru May 20), while our K2’s/CREW 345 (elementary students) will meet at 6pm. Be on the lookout in this week’s Covenant Connection email for specifics about how to join us!

YOUTH GROUP VIA ZOOM—All students grades 6th-12th grade are invited to join us online, using Zoom, *THIS* coming Wednesday at 6pm. There will be more information to come via emails and texts, so be on the lookout! If you would like to see video messages from previous weeks, please go to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/youth-group>. If you have any questions, contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org).

YOUTH I.D. VIA ZOOM—All of our 6th-8th graders are invited to join us via Zoom for I.D. (Institute of Discipleship) every Sunday at 9am. ***We will continue to have I.D. for the remainder of our time being at home.*** Be on the lookout for email invitations and text messages! If you have any questions about how your student can participate, please contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org).

KID’S I.D. VIA ZOOM—Kid’s I.D. (Institute of Discipleship) will continue to take place every Sunday morning at 9am using Zoom! ***We will continue to have I.D. for the remainder of our time being at home.*** Parents, make sure you check your email and pay attention to text messages related to this virtual class. If you have any questions about how your kids can participate, contact Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org).

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Mission Meeting via Zoom
	6:30 p.m.	Admin. Meeting via Zoom
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Men’s Bible Study via Zoom
Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
	4:00 p.m.	L.I.F.E. for Preschoolers via Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	L.I.F.E. for Adults via Zoom
		L.I.F.E. for Elementary Kids via Zoom
		Salt & Light Youth Group via Zoom
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Kid’s I.D. via Zoom
		Youth I.D. via Zoom
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Live-Stream
	11:15 p.m.	Confirmation Class via Zoom