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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, MAY 15TH, 2022 - 10 A.M.

VISION OF THE END CHURCH:
CONQUERORS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude: "Crown Him Lord of All" Les Fraaza
& Marcy Fehrman

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: Revelation 12:10-12

Now have come the salvation and the power

And the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah,

For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down
They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony,

For they did not cling to life even in the face of death.

Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them!

***Hymn:** "Lead On O King Eternal" (vs. 1,2,3) #269

***Call to Confession:** Revelation 12:11

Conquering our enemy means not clinging to our selfish desires for our lives even in the face of death. But letting our sin die is hard; we often prefer to keep it around in case we want to revisit it later. Joined by God the Spirit, let us relinquish our sin together and turn back to Jesus, the true life.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Jesus, you are the triumphant Lamb of God; you are the Victorious One. You invite us to share in your victory over sin and death, and to be conquerors for your kingdom. Yet we have preferred compromise over conquest, and fitting in over standing out. Forgive us for any ways that we allowed the world to conquer us this week.

Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit, so that we can live according to our faith, valuing your name, honor, and kingdom above all else in our lives.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

FUNERAL LUNCHEON VOLUNTEERS — CCPC is looking to grow our funeral luncheon volunteer team to assist with setup and serving food for guests after the service. We are looking for two teams of 7-8 people. If you are interested in helping, please sign up at the Hub, or contact Tom Daman (tdaman62@gmail.com) or Bev Werner (blw.cats@gmail.com).

FELLOWSHIP HOUR VOLUNTEERS — We are looking for new faces to join our Fellowship Hour volunteer team! This is a rotating Sunday schedule that includes the duties of picking up donuts, cookies, and drinks at Kwik Trip before service, along with the setup and cleanup in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall of coffee, juice, and food items. If you (and your family) would like to help, please contact Kent Perrin at kent@kentperrinphotography.com or 715-370-2694.

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

GROUPS ON BREAK FOR SUMMER MONTHS— Some groups and Bible studies will be going on break for the summer months. The Sunday morning Singles Small group will be ending May 22; I.D. will also end May 22 for all ages; and our Faith & Fitness will have its last gathering on Thursday, May 26. *All of these ministries will return in September!*

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 provided below, or call the church for help anytime. We continue in the Books of History TODAY, with 2 Chronicles 5-7 (tomorrow is a catch up day).

YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP — Students who are in 6th through 8th grades gather on Wednesdays at 6pm, including THIS week, May 18, for Salt & Light Youth Group, with 9th through 12th graders meeting on Sunday nights (including TONIGHT).

KID'S I.D. & KID'S L.I.F.E.— Kid's I.D. (Sundays at 9am) and L.I.F.E. (Wednesdays at 6pm) help connect the dots of what is being taught, why it matters to God, and what we can do about it. Join us for special times of God's Word, activities, and fun with friends. *NOTE: Kid's I.D. will conclude for the summer on May 22 and Kid's L.I.F.E. will conclude on May 25.*

PARENTING THROUGH THE PHASES — We are excited to provide a wonderful three-day small group experience for parents entitled, "Parenting Through the Phases" this summer during VBS. Drop your kids off and join us from 6:15-7:15pm from June 27 through June 29 for a conversation about parenting through the many phases from birth to high school graduation. Go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/kids-ministry (the same button as VBS registration) to sign up.

VBS 2022 — Mark your calendars for CCPC Kids Ministry's Vacation Bible School 2022! Join us *Sunday, June 26 through Thursday, June 30 from 6-8pm* for loads of fun, education, snacks, and most importantly... learning about God's Word and His amazing gift of salvation! This year's theme is "Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness." Go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/kids-ministry to register your kiddos. You can also see today's Connection Card for opportunities to serve our children.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JIM GATES SABBATICAL — Jim Gates will be going on sabbatical over a 3-month period this summer. This means that he will be unavailable for anything church related and will be away from the building starting *TOMORROW* 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, contact Jess at jess@covenantcommunitypc.org or 715-573-4648.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP MUSIC TEAM— CCPC is excited to begin a new contemporary worship service that will take place Sundays at 6pm, beginning September 11. In preparation for this new service, our new Contemporary Music Director Orlando diValentin will be using organizing rehearsals, which will begin *TONIGHT* at 4pm. If you are interested in being a part of this music team, contact Orlando at orlando@covenantcommunitypc.org.

FATHER'S DAY CAR SHOW — CCPC will be hosting a car show in our parking lot on Sunday, June 19th (Father's Day) following service. Join us and invite your family and friends to enjoy up to 85 cars, as well as food provided by the CCPC Softball Team to help raise money for their season. Many of the cars on display are provided by the "Wisconsin Road Knights" auto club, but we invite *ANYONE* to bring their car to show as well. We will have voting and prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes. *We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event. If you are interested, please contact Jim Fuls (fulsfam2@mtc.net or 715-571-3916) or Jeff Gramling (jeffgraml@outlook.com or 715-581-1631).*

SAVE-THE-DATES: DIRECTORY PHOTOS — CCPC has put together a committee to organize sittings for a new photo directory. We will have photo sittings September 27-30 (2-8:30pm) and also on October 1 (10am-4:30pm). Save the dates and make sure you sign up for your family, beginning August 21.

ORDER SCRIP!—Help the church raise money when you purchase everyday items, trips, fuel, and more! Visit the Scrip in the Narthex to purchase gift or reloadable cards. Orders can also be taken the second-to-last Sunday of the month, with delivers coming the last Sunday of the month. You can also order or reload cards by using an app by RaiseRight on your phone! Download the RaiseRight app to get started. Our CCPC enrollment code is 5AA91AB743865.

MISSIONS

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER — Pick up a Baby Bottle in the Narthex *TODAY* (or any day during the week), fill it with change, cash or checks, and return it to CCPC by May 29! All donations will support our local crisis pregnancy center, Hope Life Center. You can also make a donation online via our website to help these moms and moms-to-be!

COOKOUT FOR BRIDGE STREET MISSION — The CCPC Mission Committee will be hosting a cook out at Marathon Park (shelter #1) on Saturday, June 18 from 5-7:30pm, through the Bridge Street Mission. We are looking for up to 20 people to help, including men and women to grill! We will need donations of ketchup, mustard, relish, coolers and ice, beverages for up to 50 people, charcoal and grilling supplies, hand sanitizer, and paper towels, as well as funds to purchase meat to grill. We are also looking for anyone that would like to play some music/sing during the event. Contact Kari Kufahl (kari.kufahl@gmail.com) with any questions and signup to take part at the Hub.

*Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 8:37-38

Paul says, "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Thanks be to God! **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:	1 Samuel 17:41-51	Page 262
Special Music:	"I Choose Jesus"	Caroline Kibler
New Testament Reading:	Revelation 12:7-17	Page 252
Sermon:	Vision of the End Church: Conquerors	Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn:** "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" (vs. 1,3) #69

Welcoming our 2022 Confirmation Class into the Church

Josh Finamore, Rowyn Isakson, Mckinley Nelson, Lily Luedtke, Gavin Wasmundt, Cole VanSlyke, Olivia Haulotte, Brock Messman, Nathaniel Briggs

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

See page 4

Offering

Offertory Music: "Alleluia" JeHae Kim-Bixby & Les Fraaza

*Doxology

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

***Choral Benediction:** "Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun" (vs. 1,5) #265

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 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 Leaders: Confirmation Class **Elder Greeters:** Bob Gebauer & Deb Tice
Acolytes: Eli Baumann & Ellie McCarron **The Hub:** Deb Wakefield
Greeter: Kay Storm **Gatekeeper:** Kyle Shinkle

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*)

Don Hawkins
(*In Rehab*)

Stella Lamping
(*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 CELEBRATE RECOVERY	6PM KID'S L.I.F.E.
9AM SINGLES SM. GROUP			6PM MS YOUTH GROUP
10AM WORSHIP			6PM BELL CHOIR
11:15AM WOMEN'S SM. GROUP			7PM CHOIR PRACTICE
4PM BAND REHEARSAL			
6PM HS YOUTH GROUP			
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
2PM SHEEPSHEAD			9AM I.D.
4:30PM FAITH & FITNESS			9AM SINGLES SM. GROUP
			10AM WORSHIP
			11:15AM WOMEN'S SM. GROUP
			4PM BAND REHEARSAL
			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.