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COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embracing all. Feeding spirits. Reflecting Christ...

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SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH, 2021 - 10 A.M.

WE THREE KINGS: SAUL -
KEEPING UP APPEARANCES

Prelude: "God Leads Us Along/The Love of God" Les Fraaza

Quiet Reflection and Preparation for Worship:

The three kings of the united kingdom of Israel – Saul, David, and Solomon – are fascinating, important, and deeply flawed spiritual leaders. You can read their stories in 1 Samuel 8 through 1 Kings 12. Why are these stories preserved by the Spirit in our Scriptures, and what can we learn about God and Christ through them?

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Candles:

Call to Worship: 1 Samuel 15:22

Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices,
As in obedience to the voice of the LORD?

Surely, to obey is better than sacrifice,
And to heed than the fat of rams.

So too, our worship finds its purpose not in quality of music or teaching,
But in our hearts responding with willing obedience to the LORD's commands.

***Hymn:** "Come Christians, Join to Sing" #267

***Call to Confession:** 1 Samuel 15:23

Like King Saul, we find it easy to obey some of the LORD's commands, and difficult to obey others. This week, we convinced ourselves that partial obedience would be sufficient. But Samuel reminds us that "rebellion is no less a sin than divination, and stubbornness is like iniquity and idolatry." Since we have been stubborn this week against God's commands, let us join together in confession and prayer.

***Prayer of Confession:**

Lord Jesus, your perfect obedience to your Father reveals just how hesitant our obedience remains. Like believers at a faith buffet, we pick and choose which commands we wish to follow, and which we enjoy ignoring. We maintain an outward appearance of faithfulness, but hypocrisy remains within us.

Help us today to care less for the appearance of Christ-like-ness, and more for its reality. We ask for your assistance in rooting out our inner rebellions, so that the Father's will can be done in our lives, just as it was in yours, O Christ.

(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)

PRAYER MEETINGS—Our weekly Prayer Meeting continues *THIS* Wednesday, June 30 at 6pm via Zoom. Join us for a time to petition before the Lord together every Wednesday night. All are welcome! To join the Zoom meeting, go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82054635060?pwd=MTkzOGJqMFRWamxrMy9CSHBwcUMrUT09> Meeting ID: 820 5463 5060 Passcode: 711155

THE GROWMEC JOURNEY ESCAPE ROOM!—Put your "thinking caps" on and join the fun right here at CCPC on Thursday, July 8 for our first-ever Escape Room! You will have one hour to escape or you'll be stuck in "Growmec" forever! Kids 5-12 years old can register for 2pm, 4pm, or 6pm. Go to our website (www.covenantcommunitypc.org) to register for one of the timeslots! You can also RSVP by contacting Amanda Fuls (amanda@covenantcommunitypc.org). **We are in need of volunteers to help facilitate the event! Mark the back of today's Connection Card or contact Amanda if you can help out!**

SALT & LIGHT YOUTH LASER TAG AT W.O.W.—It's time for some competitive juices to flow when the Salt & Light Youth (6th through 12th graders) head to Wausau on Water (WOW) for some laser tag! Join us *THIS* Wednesday, June 30 from 6-8pm for some fun, fellowship, exercise, and pizza! We will be meeting at WOW and ask each participant to contribute \$10. Contact Dan Frost (dan@covenantcommunitypc.org) with any questions. *LLLLLLet's get ready to rumble!* Salt & Light Youth have some other great events planned for the remainder of the summer! Here are some highlights:

- Parent Mystery Night at CCPC - Wednesday, July 21 at 6pm
- Helping with VBS - No Youth Group - Wednesday, August 4 at 6pm
- Mini Golf at Sawmill - Wednesday, August 11 at 6pm (Meet there - \$5)
- Jeremy Camp Concert - Sunday, August 15 at 2pm (Meet there)
- No Youth Group - Wednesday, August 25 and Wednesday, September 1

VBS 2021—This summer's Vacation Bible School will be an exploration of the known, and unknown mysteries of God's creation... US! Join us on Monday, August 2 through Thursday, August 5 from 6-8pm for "I Wonder"... where they will ponder: "I wonder what makes my story unique?"; "I wonder what gifts God gave me?"; "I wonder what I can learn from others?"; "I wonder how I can spend time with God?" Go to www.covenantcommunitypc.org/vbs to learn more and get your kiddos signed up! **Also, we are in need of volunteers to help facilitate the four evenings of fun! Please see the back of today's Connection Card in your bulletin to sign up!**

PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS FOR JULY & AUGUST

- Book Club - **June 28**
- Fellowship Hour w/Cookies - **July 4**
- Youth Group at WOW- **June 30**
- Kid's Escape Room - **July 8**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP HOUR RETURNS IN JULY!—We will start a “soft open” of our Fellowship Hour after worship *NEXT* Sunday, July 4 with cookies and coffee. Then on July 11, we will have our “grand opening” of Fellowship Hour with the *RETURN OF DONUTS! We are in need of some volunteers to setup for Fellowship each week. If you'd like to help once a month or once every six weeks, please contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org) and let him know.*

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE TOGETHER—Our new reading plan begins *TODAY* and takes us through GEPC - Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians. Download the Bible app from YouVersion, which is free and easy to find on the Apple or Google App stores. You can also skip the technology and dive in with your hardcopy Bible! See tomorrow's email for more information, or contact Jim Gates (jim@covenantcommunitypc.org).

CCPC SHOE SALE 2021—Just in time for school shopping, our annual shoe sale is an amazing opportunity to stock up on new, brand-named shoes for the whole family (limited sizes available). Join us Friday, August 13 (That's right, just *ONE NIGHT*) from 4-8pm for deals including \$25 per pair (3 pairs for \$60). As with every other year, all proceeds from the sale go to our Mission Ministries Fund. We invite you to mark your calendars, invite friends and family, get to the church early, and stock up on shoes for the whole family!

COVENANT CONVERSATIONS PODCAST—Covenant Conversations podcast with Dan Frost, Episode 6, is available (along with all other episodes of course)! In this episode, Dan speaks with Manny Mill... Executive Director of Koinonia House National Ministries (KHNH). Since 1991 when the Koinonia House of Wheaton was opened, and 1997 when KHNH began, Manny has been developing a core of post-prison ministry leaders to equip the church to meet the needs of Christian ex-prisoners returning to society. Join the conversation on our website or these popular platforms: **Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Stitcher, Podbean, Amazon Music, and our YouTube channel: CCPC Productions.**

CCPC SOFTBALL TEAM—The CCPC softball team invites you to come out to the Kelly Club to support them as they compete. They take to the field *TONIGHT* at 8pm.

SHEEPSHEAD RETURNS!—Beginning *THIS* week, July 1, our Sheepshead group will be meeting every Thursday at 7pm here at the church! Masks are not required, but feel free to wear one if you so choose. Contact Frank Banholzer (grandpafab@gmail.com) with any questions.

MISSIONS

VOLUNTEERING FOR HOPE IN THE PARK WITH JEREMY CAMP—The Wausau area is so blessed to be having "Hope in the Park," a concert event featuring Jeremy Camp! 89Q is putting on this free, family event on Sunday, August 15 beginning at 2pm. They are in need of 100 volunteers for a variety of moving parts to pull it all off. If you would like to help serve our community and share the name of Jesus through this event, please go to the following website to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b054da8ab2ea0fa7-hope>

*Assurance of Pardon:

Here we are different from King Saul; where he was rejected as king, we who are in Christ are never rejected. As the daughters and sons of the King, our salvation is secured through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ our Lord. Thanks be to him! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Children's Message

[Children may come forward and be seated on an "X" in the first two rows of pews.]

Period of Fellowship

*Hymn: "Shout to the Lord" (See Screen)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 15:1-35 Page 258

Special Music: "El-Shaddai" Sue Thompson & Tina Spiegel

New Testament Reading: Luke 11:37-44 Page 73

Sermon: We Three Kings: Saul - Keeping Up Appearances Jim Gates

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (vs.1,2) #263
"Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun" (vs.1,5) #265

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer See page 4 for words

Offering

Offertory Music: "His Name is Wonderful" Charlie Lewis

*Doxology

Welcome of New Members

Rob & Lindy Phelps: Rob and Lindy live in Wausau with their five children - Madi (15), Brady (14), Ali (9), Avery (6), and Lucas (4). Rob is the principal at Horace Mann Middle School, while Lindy is a former elementary teacher, turned stay-at-home mom, and chauffeur for the children.

*Affirmation of Faith (See page 4 for words)

*Welcome Song: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" (vs. 1) #306

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (vs.4) #263

Postlude: Les Fraaza

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

Do you believe in God, the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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.

Do you believe in the Holy Ghost?

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!

Acolyte: Oliver Fandrey

Greeters: Kay Storm &

Worship Leader: Deb Tice

Shirley Hodgdon

The HUB: Karen Kelbley

Slides: Abram Bouché

Elder Greeter: Julie Nelson

Nursery: Bethany Bertrand

Gatekeeper: Brian Haack

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)

Jim Burgener
(Home)

Cheryl Lenz
(St. Joseph's Marshfield)

Don Hawkins
(Home)

THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>		<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	
10AM	WORSHIP	6:30PM	BOOK CLUB			6PM	YOUTH GROUP AT WOW
8PM	CCPC SOFTBALL					6PM	PRAYER MEETING
<u>THURSDAY</u>		<u>FRIDAY</u>		<u>SATURDAY</u>		<u>SUNDAY</u>	
7PM	SHEEPSHEAD					10AM	WORSHIP
						11:15AM	FELLOWSHIP HOUR (w/COOKIES)

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.