

## LIVE STREAMING

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# COVENANT COMMUNITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 - 10 A.M.

WE THREE KINGS: EPILOGUE -  
TWO KINGDOMS

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**Prelude:** "King of All Medley" 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:** Revelation 5:12-14

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered*

**To receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

*To the One seated on the throne and to the Lamb*

**Be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever! Amen!**

**\*Hymn:** "Rejoice, The Lord is King" (vs. 1,2,3) #363

**\*Call to Confession:** 1 Kings 12:16

*When Solomon's son reveals himself to be oppressive, the northern tribes of Israel rebel, saying, "What share do we have in David? We have no inheritance in the son of Jesse. To your tents, O Israel!" Their rebellion is not unlike our own; understandable, but regrettable. Let us therefore join in our prayer of confession.*

### **\*Prayer of Confession:**

*Today we will hear how Israel divided from the house of David, but the story is already familiar to us, O Lord. We see how Christians have divided into denominations, and how denominations divide still further. We see churches that split for a myriad of reasons. We see Christian families dividing, marriages ending in separation, friends parting ways due to irreconcilable differences. This division isn't just what other people do; we are guilty, Lord.*

*You tell us that the world will recognize us by our love for each other. We want this to be true. Today, Jesus, we come together to be one family, instead of many families. Today we come together despite differences and distance and denominations. Unite us in love for you and each other, that we may be the one witness of your kingdom on earth.*

*(We keep a moment of silence for reflection)*

**CCPC 101**—Have you been visiting us and want to know more about CCPC, our beliefs, and our ministries? We will cover all these topics and answer all your questions after worship on Sunday, September 19 in the Bouldin Hall conference room. We will be serving food to begin our time together and childcare will be provided. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of this informational session, please speak with Drew Bouché ([drew@covenantcommunitypc.org](mailto:drew@covenantcommunitypc.org)).

## MISSIONS

**CCPC SHINE MEAL MINISTRY**—If you are a CCPC member that is in need of meals while recovering from health issues, just coming home from having a baby, are in the middle of a move, or any number of reasons... our SHINE Meal Ministry is here to help! We are also looking for folks who would love to give of their time and talents to help prepare meals for those in need. For either inquiries, please contact Terri Goldsworthy (715-613-1535; [terri54411@gmail.com](mailto:terri54411@gmail.com)) or Jill Mathies (715-551-5253; [jill.mathies@gmail.com](mailto:jill.mathies@gmail.com)).

## BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**—The women's study continues in the Book of Hebrews THIS Tuesday, September 7 at noon. All are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and discipleship.

## YOUTH, CHILDREN & FAMILY

**SALT & LIGHT YOUTH GROUP**—All students grades 6th-12th are invited to our final joint Youth Group before splitting up High School and Middle School, THIS Wednesday, September 8 from 6-7:30pm. Contact Dan Frost ([dan@covenantcommunitypc.org](mailto:dan@covenantcommunitypc.org)) with any questions.

**NEW YOUTH GROUP FORMAT STARTING IN SEPTEMBER**—Our Salt & Light Youth Group will look a little different this year. Students who are in 6th through 8th grades will gather on Wednesdays at 6pm, beginning September 15. Our 9th through 12th graders will meet on Sunday nights at 6pm, beginning September 19. This new structure will allow for more in-depth discipleship geared towards the student's age group. It is also our hope that senior high students will have more freedom to attend on Sunday evenings, rather than competing with school extracurriculars during the week. Spread the word and invite friends as we kickoff a new year of being salt of the earth and light unto the world!

## PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

- Fall Kickoff - **September 12**
- CCPC 101- **September 19**
- Kid's & Adult L.I.F.E. - **September 15**
- HS Youth Group- **September 19**
- MS Youth Group - **September 15**
- Family Fun Day - **October 3**
- Kim-Bixby Conert - **September 18**
- MS Youth Overnights - **October 15**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RETURN OF CHOIR PRACTICES— Adult Choir** - Practices continue every Wednesday from 7-8pm. Please contact Deb Perrin (715-432-1155) or Les Fraaza (715-574-2059) if you want to join, or if you have any questions.

**Bell Choir** - Practices begin *THIS* Wednesday, September 8 from 6-7pm. If you are interested in joining the group, you can contact JeHae Kim-Bixby (715-310-0820). **Kid's Choir** - Practices begin Wednesday, September 15 from 6-6:45pm. Please contact Deb Perrin (715-432-1155) if you have any questions.

**SECRET A.G.E.N.T.S. MISSION #4 - 2021-2022**—It will soon be time for another Secret A.G.E.N.T.S. mission! We are now looking for Jr. Agents (rising 4th-12th graders) and Secret Agents (adults). You can register right now on our website. We also have forms and a dropoff box located at the Hub.

**INSTITUTE OF DISCIPLESHIP (I.D.) FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**—Our Institute of Discipleship (I.D.) classes are set to begin Sunday, September 12 at 9am for the whole family! Adult classes will include "Finding God's Vision for You" and "The Bible Project", while the Kid's I.D. lineup will include "Big Bible/Big Church" for our 3rd graders and up. High school and middle schoolers will have their own classes, including Confirmation. We will have discipleship for pre-K through adults! Visit our website for more information on all!

**CCPC MINISTRY FAIR**—The CCPC "Ministry Fair" will take place in Bouldin Hall following worship *NEXT* Sunday, September 12 and will provide an opportunity for *ALL* to learn about, and participate in, the many ministries available within our church community. We will have tables and representatives for Worship & Fellowship, Christian Education, and Missions sharing how you can get involved in all aspects of discipleship, fellowship, and service. There will also be opportunities to win raffle prizes. Come learn and get connected!

**CCPC PICNIC 2021/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**—What a thrill to have the return of our faith family celebration to kickoff the church year! Amazing food, fun games and inflatables are back for our annual picnic in the Fellowship Hall and outside after worship (and after visiting the Ministry Fair) *NEXT* Sunday, September 12. There will be plenty of opportunities to work the event as well. We are still in need of help with setup, cleanup, food preparations, and more. Contact Jill Mathies ([jill.mathies@gmail.com](mailto:jill.mathies@gmail.com)) at with any questions and/or to sign up for responsibilities.

**KID'S & ADULT L.I.F.E. EVERY WEDNESDAY**—As we enter into the new "church calendar" year beginning next week, our Kid's and adult L.I.F.E. classes will occur *EVERY WEDNESDAY* at 6pm (Kid's L.I.F.E. will run until 7:30pm), rather than our previous, seasonal schedule. Plan for weekly discipleship for the whole family on Wednesday nights, beginning September 15, with dinner at 5:30pm. You can pay for your individual meals when you arrive or on our website at [www.covenantcommunitypc.org/payments](https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/payments).

**JEHAE KIM-BIXBY IN CONCERT**—JeHae Kim-Bixby (our Accompanist and new Bell Choir Director) will be performing a solo concert on Saturday, September 18 at 6pm. Purchase your tickets (\$25 towards our Missions Fund) by stopping at the Hub, or going to <https://www.covenantcommunitypc.org/payments>. JeHae will dazzle us all with presentations of Chopin, Brahms, Debussy, and Rachmaninoff, as well as an arrangement of classical hymns. **We are also looking for volunteers to be at the ticket booth (the Hub), usher, and serve refreshments! Contact Kari Kufahl ([kari.kufahl@gmail.com](mailto:kari.kufahl@gmail.com)) if interested in helping out!**

### \*Assurance of Pardon:

Revelation 5:9-10

Hear the words of the saints to our Savior; "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God." We are those whom Christ has ransomed. Thanks be to God! **Amen.**

### \*Gloria Patri

### Children's Message

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

### Period of Fellowship

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**Old Testament Reading:** 1 Kings 12:1-20 Page 317

**Special Music:** "You Are My All in All" Stephanie Finamore

**New Testament Reading:** Revelation 5:1-14 Page 248

**Sermon:** We Three Kings: Epilogue - Two Kingdoms Jim Gates

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*Hymn:** "We Three Kings" See Screen

### The Sacrament of Communion

[For in-person worship, we will be passing the plates for Communion.

For your comfort, we are also offering pre-packaged elements out in the Narthex

### Offering

**Offertory Music:** "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" JeHae Kim-Bixby & Les Fraaza

### \*Doxology

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*Benediction

**\*Choral Benediction:** "Rejoice, The Lord is King" (vs.4) #363



## 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:** Nolan Bouffleur      **Greeter:** Karen Kelbley  
**Elder Greeters:** Gary Freels      & Shirley Hodgdon  
 & Julie Nelson      **The HUB:** Terri Goldsworthy

### PRAYER REQUESTS

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

<b>Tom Scott</b> (Home)	<b>Dee Jenkins</b> (Home)	<b>Don Hawkins</b> (Home)
	<b>Cheryl Lenz</b> (Colonial Center in Colby)	

### THIS WEEK AT CCPC

SERVICE... DISCIPLESHIP... ENGAGEMENT!

<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM FELLOWSHIP	6PM DARTBALL PRACTICE	NOON WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	6PM YOUTH GROUP 6PM BELL CHOIR PRACTICE 6PM PRAYER MTG. 7PM CHOIR PRACTICE
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
NOON OLD GUYS RULE 2PM SHEEPSHEAD			9AM I.D. 10AM WORSHIP 11:15AM MINISTRY FAIR 11:30AM PICNIC

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