

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Community Ministries is in need of small canned fruits and vegetables, large size men's clothing. Please consider those in need and place your donations in the baskets available just outside the Gray Hall entrance.

Help the needy in our community!

LIFE CHOICES is in need of the following items: baby boy clothes newborn through 12 months, size 4-6 diapers, baby wash, shampoo and baby lotion.

THE SESSION (The Pastors and the Installed Ruling Elders)
Pastor Mabray, Moderator; Assoc. Pastor Jonathan Wagner

<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>
Don Givler	Charles Herold	Tony Anderson
Joe Humble	Gene King	Jack McDaniel
	Steve Swander	Dave Raymond

THE DIACONATE (Installed Deacons)

<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>
Tom Baker	Charles Beene	Jess Barr
Kyle Bruynineckx	Stewart Gentry	Anne Lockhart
Cindy Smith	Bobby Lawrence	Mike McInnis
Paul West	Carol Smith	Sarah Raymond

Local Missions Committee

Family Promise	Loura Barr	614-5438
Mercy Multiplied	Terri Trichel	376-7340
CCM	Roseline Clary	669-6571
Life Choices	Karen Perkins	348-7974
Young Life	Dan Vander Woude	953-0416
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Guy Barr	376-6500
Desiard Street Shelter	Bitsy Beene	341-3493

Covenant Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbytery of the Gulf South in the **Evangelical Presbyterian Church** denomination (EPC). The EPC affirms and is committed to the historic, Biblical Christian faith as expressed in our doctrinal standards, **The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms**. The motto of the EPC is attributed to St. Augustine of the early 5th century, and became an important saying during the reformation: **"In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity (love)."**

We welcome into membership all those who profess personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and promise to seek to live in grateful obedience to him as his faithful disciple.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Rev. Jonathan Wagner - Associate Pastor

Jack McDaniel - Clerk of Session

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Recent sermons are available on-line or by CD in church office.

If you would like an audio-recorded copy of today's sermon, you may request one from the church office. \$2.00 will cover the expense of the CD recording.

This Week At Covenant

Sunday August 5
9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
10:30 a.m. Worship *in new sanctuary*
Reception following in Fireside Room

Tuesday August 7
6:00 p.m. Missions Meeting

Next Week At Covenant

Sunday August 12
9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday August 14
11:00 a.m. Adult Morning Bible Study

WORSHIP WITH KIDS THIS SUNDAY

Nursery ~ Sunday School: Martha Anderson

Nursery ~ Worship: Carolyn Barnes

2-3: Ashton and Will Mintz

4-5: Rebekah and Richard Long

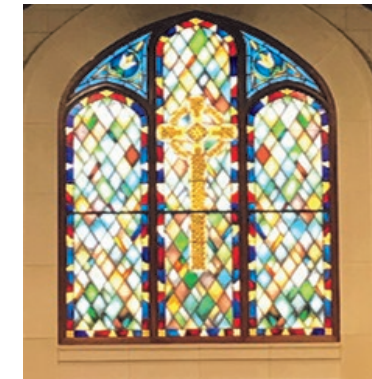
WORSHIP WITH KIDS NEXT SUNDAY

Nursery ~ Sunday School: Margo Albright

Nursery ~ Worship: Lolo Long

2-3: Ginny and Joe King Montgomery

4-5: Caroline and Alan Brockman



C O V E N A N T
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (EPC)

August 5, 2018
The Service for the Lord's Day
10:30 A.M.

+ Worshipers arriving late may be seated.

* The congregation will please stand.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion

Who are to come to the Lord's Table?

Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their continuing weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a more holy life.

Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however, eat and drink judgment on themselves.

(1st Corinthians 10:19-22; 1st Corinthians 11:26-32)

The Heidelberg Catechism, #81

The communion bread is gluten-free.

+The Welcome

+The Prelude: "Communion Hymn/Behold the Lamb"

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us: and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross. So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice, as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

+*The Call to Worship: Psalm 124:8; 115:1; 79:13

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

We, your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever;

from generation to generation, we will recount your praise!

+*The Hymn #168: "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

*The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

+*The Hymn of Assurance: *“And Can It Be, That I Should Gain”*
 And can it be that I should gain an int’rest in the Savior’s blood?
 Died he for me who caused his pain?
 For me, who him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God,
 shouldst die for me?

(refrain) Amazing love! How can it be that thou,
 my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
 Alive in him, my living Head,
 and clothed in righteousness divine,
 bold I approach th’eternal throne,
 and claim the crown, through Christ, my own!
(refrain)

The Special Time for Young Disciples
 (Children in Kindergarten and younger may be dismissed to Catechism Time.
 Children in 1st grade and above are to remain in the Worship Service.)

The Prayer for Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture: First Corinthians 1:18-25 (p.952)

The Proclamation of the Gospel: Pastor Mabray
“The Word of the Cross: The Power of God”

The Prayer for a Right Response to God’s Word

*The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ 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 saints;
 the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
 everlasting. Amen.

*The Gloria: *“Glory to God, the Father, Son...”* DUKE STREET
 (sung to the tune of *“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”*)

Glory to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To you, O blessed Trinity, be praise throughout eternity!

The Celebrations and Concerns of the Church

The Reception of God’s Tithes and our Offerings

The Offertory Hymn: *“The Communion Hymn/Behold the Lamb”*
 (Please see insert. *The congregation will please stand to sing verse 4
 as the ushers bring the offering forward.)

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The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*The Communion Invocation (in unison):
 O God, who by the blood of your dear Son has consecrated for
 us a new and living way into the holiest place above all:
 Cleanse our minds and the secrets of our hearts, by the blood of
 Christ, that drawing near to you with a pure heart and conscience
 undefiled, we may receive these your gifts without sin, and worthily
 magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Instruction and Invitation to the Table of the Lord

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration, concluding with
 The Lord’s Prayer (in unison):
 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.

The Words of Institution
 The Distribution of the Elements
 The Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn #295: *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

*The Benediction

*The Congregational Amen: *“A-men, A-men, A-men.”*

*The Postlude

USHERS TODAY	1 Tony Anderson	2 Dave Raymond
	3 Will Sartor	4 Charles Herold
Milton Street Door	5 Gene King	
USHERS NEXT WEEK:	1 Kyle Bruyninckx	2 Joe K. Montgomery
	3 Paul West	4 Jimmy Woods
Milton Street Door	5 Wayne Smith	

Remember our Homebound Members in prayer and with care:

Alice Burford – St. Joseph’s Nursing Home, Room 222, Monroe,
 Neighborhood Flock 5
 Helen Coons - Landmark Nursing Home, Room 504 WM 71291
 Lloyd Gill - Veterans Home, Hwy 165 Hall B-3, Room 11
 Jean Hamilton - Azalea Estates, Room 207, Monroe, 71203
 Barbara Livingston - Rosemont # G-108, 110 Regency, West Monroe
 Mary McDonald - St. Joseph Assisted Living, Room C304, Monroe
 Shirley Montfort - Ouachita Health Care Center, Room 233, 71203
 Wanda Stewart - Stonybrook, WM 71291, Neighborhood Flock 9
 Susan Vinson - 2010 Rosedown Dr, Monroe, Neighborhood Flock 8
 Nora Viola - Ouachita Health Care Center, Room 312, 71203,
 Neighborhood Flock 11

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please remember in your prayers and with your expressions
 of love and care:

Andrew Brunson - EPC pastor now under house arrest in Turkey.
 Bing Bishop - St. Francis, room 212
 Larry Lawrence
 Jack Henry Allen (grandson of Paula Stidham)
 Lee Perkins

Tency Tarver - recovering from surgery

 We extend our love and sympathy to the family of Kim Alexander,
 whose mother, Doris Beers, (also a member of Covenant) went home to
 be with the Lord on Sunday, July 29, 2018.

“...to live is Christ, and to die is gain” (Philippians 1:21)

 Pray for our missionaries:
 Debbie and Chris Gibson—EPC Missionary Care Worldwide
 John Crimmins, East Africa
 Dan Tidwell—EPC World Outreach Communications
 *Nick and Amanda, Ellie, Hazel and Gus—Middle East
 *Rebekah and Nour—Middle East
 *Ron and Jean—Eurasia
 *(Last names and precise location withheld for security reasons).

Please remember in prayer those serving in the United States Military:
 Joshua Rux, Army, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii
 Chris Ladehoff, Captain, McDill AFB Tampa, FL
 Kim and Billy Alexander’s son-in-law

Birthdays for August 5 - 11

5 Chad Lawrence
 7 Billy Alexander
 7 Naomi Long
 7 Sharron Thomas
 9 Lloyd Gill
 11 Bing Bishop