

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### *Chiming of the Hour*

#### *Words of Welcome*

(11:00) Honoring Harry and Nancy Johnston Pastor Scott  
for their 70 years of marriage

We will sing one verse of “*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*”

Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.

#### *Prelude*

*Theme From a Concerto*

from the 2nd Violin Concerto by Howard Wieniawski

#### *Call to Worship*

(Psalm 100)

Pastor Scott

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His  
presence with singing!

**People: Know that the Lord, He is God!**

**It is He who made us, and we are His;  
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with  
praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

**People: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures  
forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.**

#### *\*Hymn #383*

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Blue hymnal

#### *\*Call to Confession*

Pastor Scott

#### *\*Unison Prayer of Confession*

Lord, it is so easy to fall into the trap of seeing fellowship as  
simply the breaking of bread with one another, but You have  
shown us that it is something much greater. It is brothers and  
sisters coming together to share each other’s burdens, encourage  
one another, and to sharpen each other in faith. You have called  
us to community so that we might not get lost or stray from You.  
Forgive us for the times we fail to come together with Your saints.  
Give us a passion to live in community and to fellowship with one  
another in Jesus’ name.

### *\*A Time of Silent, Personal Confession*

#### *\*Assurance of Forgiveness*

#### *\*Congregational Response*

*Gloria Patri*

Henry W. Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

## WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

#### *Scripture:*

Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:42-47;

Elder Susan Halulko

1 Peter 2:9-10

New Testament, pages 22, 145-146, 283

#### *Sermon:*

### THE BELOVED COMMUNITY

Pastor Billy

“Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had  
not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.” 1 Peter 2:10.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

#### *Anthem*

*When the Lord Redeems the Very Least*

Dunstan/Brumley

(11:00)

When the Lord redeems the very least, we will rejoice.  
When the hungry gather for the feast, we will rejoice.

REFRAIN We will rejoice with gladness.  
All our days we'll sing to God in praise. We will rejoice.

When the Lord restores the sick and weak, we will rejoice.  
When the earth is given to the meek, we will rejoice. REFRAIN

When the Lord revives the world from death, we will rejoice.  
When the word of God fills every breath, we will rejoice. REFRAIN

When the Lord returns in victory, we will rejoice.  
When we live in glorious liberty, we will rejoice. REFRAIN

The Covenant Choir

#### *Pastoral Prayer*

Pastor Scott

#### *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. Lead us  
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

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## WE DEPART TO SERVE

#### *\*Hymn #460*

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

Blue hymnal

#### *\*Benediction*

Pastor Billy

Please be seated for the postlude.

#### *Postlude*

*O Praise Ye the Lord*

Charles Sergisson

*\*Congregation please stand if you are able.*

The flowers in the chancel this morning are given to the  
Glory of God and in memory of **Jack B. Piatt** by his daughter  
**Gina Johnston and family**

### NEXT SUNDAY October 2, 2022 ~ Communion

#### *Sermon:*

### DEVELOPING SPIRITUAL MUSCLE: CONTEMPLATION/SELF-EXAMINATION

Pastor Scott

#### *Scripture:*

2 Corinthians 13:5-9

“Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves.  
Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—  
unless indeed you fail to meet the test!” v. 5.

As we complete this series on spiritual disciplines and we celebrate both  
World Communion Sunday and Mission Sunday, we focus on the  
spiritual discipline that help us examine what kind of disciples we are and  
how our disciplines are contributing toward our spiritual maturation.

*United With the Church Triumphant*  
**Jack A. Metcalf**  
September 19, 2022

**We ask you to pray for those who have been in the  
hospital recently, anyone who may not have been  
reported to us, and for others recovering at home.**

### Sunday, September 25, 2022 ~ Come to the Table Day!!!

8:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 - 11:00	Nursery	Nursery
9:00 AM	Covenant Alive!	Covenant Center
10:00 AM	<b><u>Covenant Connections Hour</u></b>	
10:00 AM	Book Study - Adult Spiritual Development	Room 306
10:00 AM	Video Study - Adult Spiritual Development	Parlor
10:00 AM	Covenant Kids Elementary 3-5	Room 212
10:00 AM	Covenant Kids K-2	Room 210
10:00 AM	Covenant Kids Preschool	Cov. Kids Rm.
10:00 AM	IMPACT: Youth	Youth Room
10:00 AM	Parent Gathering	Room 211
10:00 AM	Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
	Come to the Table Kick-Off	Membership and Fellowship

### This Week at The Church of the Covenant

#### Monday, September 26, 2022

1:00 PM	Monday Readers	Dining Room
7:00 PM	Buildings and Grounds	Office Suite
7:00 PM	Mission Committee	Dining Room

#### Tuesday, September 27, 2022

7:30 AM	Men's Breakfast	Chicco Bacello
6:30 PM	Personnel Committee	Office Suite
7:00 PM	Tues. Speaker, Dr. Ron Tappy	Din. Rm./ZOOM

#### Wednesday, September 28, 2022

7:30 AM	Women's Prayer Breakfast	Chicco Bacello
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#### Thursday, September 29, 2022

6:30 PM	Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
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#### Friday, September 30, 2022

#### Saturday, October 1, 2022

PW Fall Retreat	Oglebay
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#### Sunday, October 2, 2022 ~ Mission Sunday ~ Communion

Worship services and classes similar to September 25th.

8:00 AM	Worship ~ Communion	Sanctuary
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### FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR NEEDED

The Church of the Covenant seeks an individual with an accounting/bookkeeping background for this part time (10/15 hour per week) position. Knowledge of Quickbooks software is an important qualification. For more information please contact George Jones at [g.jones@comcast.net](mailto:g.jones@comcast.net) or Debi Nicoletta – [churchoftheco@comcast.net](mailto:churchoftheco@comcast.net) or 724-222-0190x111.

### GUESTS

We are so pleased to have you join us in worship this morning. There are welcome bags on top of the Welcome Center in The Commons which have information about our church that we want to share with you. Please take one home with you today!



### IMPACT YOUTH

Do you want “The Good Life?” The next few weeks we will be talking about **how not to live your life on auto pilot.**

Today’s technology is pushing us to automate our lives but is this what Jesus wanted for us?

In this series, we’ll learn how the Holy Spirit helps us experience more of the life we were created to live. During the next few weeks, we’ll discover a version of life and a way to do middle & high school that is better than we ever could have imagined on our own.



### PW RETREAT

The Presbyterian Women’s Retreat is set to begin on the morning of **October 1, 2022** at the Wilson Lodge at Oglebay Park. We are so pleased to announce that Rev. Dr. Karen Younger will be our leader. **Please make your reservations by Monday, September 26, 2022.** Attendees, please bring your Bible.

The charge for the buffet breakfast and lunch can be paid by **check, made payable to Presbyterian Women**, in the amount of **\$42.00.**

To registration or information please call Connie Hornickel at 724-747-0581, or Joan McCrory at 724-222-5806.

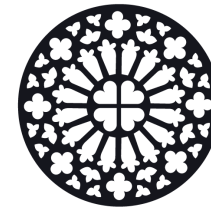
### CPR CLASS, OCTOBER 11TH, 6:00PM

Hands and Hearts will be hosting an American Heart Association Layperson and Health Care Professional CPR Class on **Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.** A certified CPR instructor from The Washington Hospital will be teaching the class that will last approximately 2 hours. This is open to all church members 18 years or older. **Preregistration is preferred but not necessary.** Cost is \$57 for laypersons and \$43 for health care professionals; payment is cash only and the exact amount is appreciated by the instructor. Please phone or text Linda Grimm at 724-263-7911 to register. Come learn how to save a life!

### FX-FAMILY CHALLENGE



Join us **October 23 at 5pm** for 2nd Annual Family Challenge. Games will be hosted by Calvin Blunt. Refreshments will be provided. Which family will take home the trophy? Spectators are welcome!



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## OUR VISION

*To know Christ, and make Him known to the next generation.*

## A Worship Celebration

*September 25, 2022*

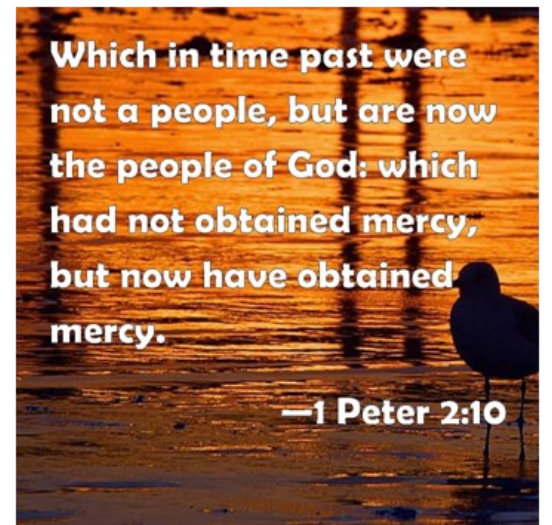
*8:00 and 11:00 am*

## QUIET REFLECTION

*(To be prayed silently)*

Christianity is the only co-operative society that exists for the benefit of non-members.

*William Temple*



—1 Peter 2:10