

Sunday, March 19, 2023~Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 - 11:00 Nursery	Nursery
9:00 AM Covenant Alive!	Covenant Center
10:00 - 10:45 AM Parish Nurse Office Hours	Room 302
10:00 AM Covenant Connections Hour	
10:00 AM Book Study - Adult Spiritual Dev.	Room 306
10:00 AM Video Study - Adult Spiritual Dev.	Parlor
10:00 AM Covenant Kids Elementary 3-5	Room 212
10:00-10:12 AM Kids' Music Time	Room 210
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
10:00-10:45 AM Parish Nurse Office Hours	Room 302
10:15 AM Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
11:00 AM Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 PM FX - Family Experience	Dining Room

This Week at The Church of the Covenant

Monday, March 20, 2023

1:00 PM Monday Readers	Dining Room
6:30 PM Membership & Fellowship	ZOOM
6:30 PM Worship and Music Committee	Dining Room
6:30 PM Preschool Finance	Room 211
7:00 PM Preschool Board	Room 211

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast	Chicco Bacello
7:00 PM Tues. Speaker Series	Dining Room

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

7:30 AM Women's Prayer Breakfast	Chicco Bacello
9:30 AM Choir & Pastor Billy	Senior Center

Thursday, March 23, 2023

10:30 AM Preschool Dance Activity	Covenant Center
12:45 PM Preschool Dance Activity	Covenant Center
5:30 PM Jubilate ringers	Bell Room
6:30 PM Covenant Choir rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday, March 24, 2023

5:00-7:00 PM Deacon's Fish Fry	Kit./Din. Rm./Cov. Cen.
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Saturday, March 25, 2023

Sunday, March 26, 2023~Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 - 11:00 Nursery	Nursery
9:00 AM Covenant Alive!	Covenant Center
10:00 - 10:45 AM Parish Nurse Office Hours	Room 302
10:00 - 10:12 AM Kids' Music Time	Room 210
Worship services and classes similar to March 19th.	
10:00 AM Covenant Connections Hour	
10:00-10:45 AM Parish Nurse Office Hours	Room 302
10:15 AM Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
11:00 AM Worship	Sanctuary



MARCH FAMILY EXPERIENCE ~ FX

Join us this evening, March 19th at 5:00 in the church dining room for our March Family Experience (FX). Please contact Yvonne Gayle at yvonnegayle20@gmail.com to RSVP.

TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

The Church of the Covenant Tuesday Speaker series for 2023 is continues every **Tuesday from March 7th-28th** and also **April 11th, at 7:00** led by Rev. Dr. Renny Domske. For more information call or email the office — 724.222.0190 or churchoftheco@comcast.net.

RESURRECTION POWER BREAKFAST BANQUET

April 15 2023

For more info and to purchase tickets online please follow this link:

<https://www.rezpowerpa.org/event-details/2023-resurrection-power-breakfast-banquet>



SAVE THE DATES! THE FISH FRY IS BACK!

The Deacons are excited to announce that we will be hosting our annual fish fry this year! We look forward to serving you on **March 24th and March 31st from 5 pm – 7 pm**. So, bring your appetite and come ready to enjoy the company of fellow brothers and sisters in Christ!



CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Impact Youth continues their canned food drive during Lent. If you would like to donate, please drop it off in the Commons before Easter. All food will be donated to local food banks. The youth appreciate your donations.

PINE SPRINGS "WOMEN IN THE WOODS" RETREAT

The PSC "Women in the Woods" retreat will take place from Friday, March 31st, 2023 to Saturday April 1st, 2023. This retreat is an opportunity to celebrate God's faithfulness through a variety of creative, active, and contemplative seminars and will feature speaker Rev. Dr. Jennifer Haddox, co-pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Waynesburg. For registration details, visit: <https://www.pinesprings.org/women-in-the-woods-spring>.

VBS REGISTRATION

Hero Hotline VBS, July 17-21, 2023, 9 AM-12 PM
Superhero Registration is now open (Age 4 by July 1, 2023—Rising 6th Graders)! Church of the Covenant members have early access to sign up before registration opens to the greater community. Register today at www.churchofthecov.org/post/vbs2023!
Questions? Reach out to Amy Dille at churchofcov.vbs@gmail.com.



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OUR VISION

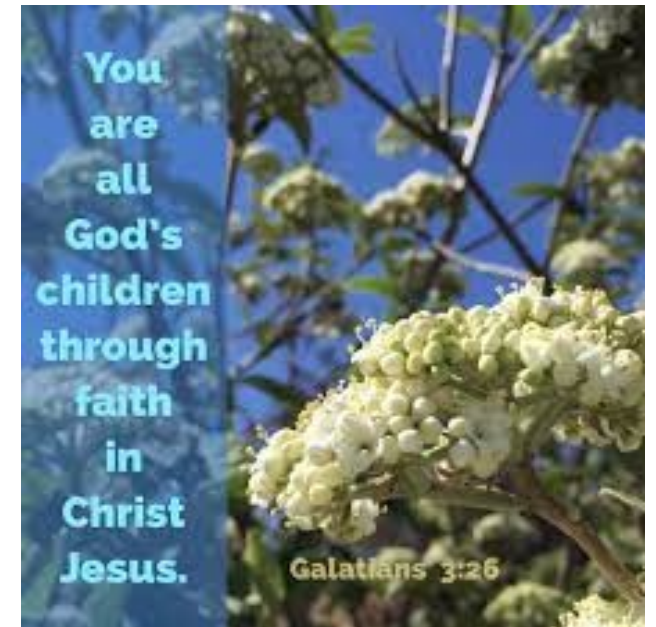
To know Christ, and make Him known to the next generation.

A Worship Celebration

March 19, 2023

11:00 am

REFLECTION



WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Chiming of the Hour

Words of Welcome

Prelude *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* Marc Jordan

Call to Worship Elder Ben Evans

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into His presence with singing.

Minister: Know that the Lord is God, it is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

All: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

Minister: For the Lord is good;

All: His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

***Hymn #341** *Blessed Assurance*
(blue hymnal)

***Call to Confession** 1 John 1:5 Elder Ben Evans

Minister: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

All: God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful in our relationship with you and with one another. We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving you, your people and your Kingdom. We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded, nor have we rightly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our relationship with you and one another. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

***Assurance of Pardon** 1 John 1:6-7 Elder Ben Evans

Minister: If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. This is the good news.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Congregational Response**

Leader: Lord, have mercy
Congregation: Lord, have mercy
Leader: Christ, have mercy
Congregation: Christ, have mercy
Leader: Lord, have mercy
Congregation: Lord, have mercy

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Galatians 3:26-4:7 Elder Rebecca Aizupitis
New Testament, Page 231

Sermon **The Sons of God**
Pastor Billy

Anthem *Behold the Lamb of God* Craig Courtney

Behold the Lamb of God, the Lamb for sinners slain;
A perfect sacrifice for all, He died but lives again.
Behold the Lamb of God, behold His hands, His side.
The Son of God, the sinless Lamb, for me was crucified.
He lives, let Heaven rejoice, and earth her honors bring
To Him, the everlasting God, the great, eternal King.
Oh, strike your harps of gold, ye ransomed host above,
Praise Him who bought you with His blood, and saved you by His love.

The Covenant Choir

WE DEPART TO SERVE

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Elder Ben Evans

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.

***Hymn #439** *In Christ There is No East or West*
(blue hymnal)

***Benediction** Pastor Billy

Please be seated for the postlude.

Postlude *Kind Maker of the World* A La Venue De Noel

**Congregation please stand if you are able.*



NEXT SUNDAY - March 26, 2023 ~ Pulpit Exchange
Fifth Sunday of Lent

We are blessed to have The Rev. Dr. Karen Younger coming to
The Church of the Covenant

Sermon: TBD
Rev. Dr. Karen Younger

Scripture: TBD

The gospel provides for us what the law fails to accomplish.

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