

Welcome Home Montreat Youth and Leaders!

THE COVENANTER

June 10, 2018

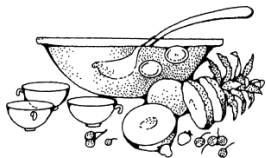
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Kickin' It at Covenant is back again this year! For six Wednesdays in June and July, this is time to learn more about the Bible, share some ice cream, and play games together. On each day, we'll have a Bible lesson and activity starting at 6:30 pm, followed by ice cream at 7, and then indoor and outdoor games afterwards. We'll be kickin' it on ****June 13, 20 and 27**** and then again on ****July 11, 18, and 25****. The theme for this summer's lessons is **DIRT**: learning all about the stuff of God's creation and how God brings good fruits from it (and from us).
*We can't make this happen without help! Each week we'll need to folks to lead the lesson and activity, one person to bring ice cream, and two volunteers to help lead game times. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d44aaa72da7fa7-kickin> or on the sign up sheets in the church hallway. **Kickin' It** is also not just for kids! Adults are welcome, too. We'll have a few board games on hand, but feel free to **BYOG** (bring your own game) starting at 6:30. Questions? Contact Jerry Shannon at jerry@shannons.us or 612-298-0003. Hope to see you there!*

SUMMER PUNCH AND COOKIES!

Sign up on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes to provide refreshing punch and other goodies after the 9:45am worship service.
(Please no red punch)



**FEED
YOU
SHEEP
ME
IF
LOVE**

For the month of JUNE Covenant is collecting for the AAEPB: **SALTINES**, and canned **PORK & BEANS** and as always brown paper bags.

Thank you Covenant and may we all have enough!

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Our next **Restaurant Roadtrip** is **Tuesday, June 12**, at 11:30am, as we drive south of Greensboro to "Gaby's on the Lake" at the Ritz-Carlton/Reynolds resort. **Carpools leave at 10am** from the church, and we'll **hopefully be back before 2pm**. Bring some extra money & check out the lunch menu on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. We'll be in partial shade - so bring sunglasses. Please signup in advance - so we can make reservations. Hope you can join us!

Remember in Prayer: Family & friends & rescue teams for two teenage boys who drowned in Barber Creek last week; Cary Ritzler & others attending the Climate Change Lobby in Washington, DC, with prayers for open eyes & ears & minds; Mary Ann Johnson & Terry Centner, moving to Lincoln, NE, in late July, as Mary Ann will be chair & professor of her department Aug.1, 2018, and Terry will be part-time in research & teaching at the university Jan.1, 2019 (July 1 may be her final Sunday at Covenant); Ben Bruner's brother, in a difficult time, and Ben (and his bike) also recovering from a small accident on his motorcycle; Bruce Carpenter, having surgery next month for a benign brain tumor; Dell Whitehead's father, with Hospice care, in Gainesville; the PCUSA General Assembly meeting in St. Louis, MO, June 16-23; Jean Gibson, at The Oaks; Pauline Marshall, at Highland Hills; Craig Topple's sister Genia in Atlanta; Bill Willis and Ashley Wolfe, at home.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday	June 11	1 Samuel 14: 34-16: 13
Tuesday	June 12	Psalm 120
Wednesday	June 13	II Corinthians 5: 6-10
Thursday	June 14	II Corinthians 5: 11-13
Friday	June 15	II Corinthians 5: 14-17
Saturday	June 16	Mark 4: 13-25
Sunday	June 17	Mark 4: 26-34



WHO'S WHO: Who at Covenant has a cat who likes chocolate?

2017-18 FINANCIAL REPORT YTD

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Anticipated Pledges: \$454,916.00

Received Pledges: \$461,461.05

Thank you for your faithful giving!

NAME PLUS: Answers are names or nicknames

1. Lacking courage: _____

2. A short cut: _____

(see page 3 for answers)

WHO'S WHO: Heide Wiegel





Who wants to pick some blueberries, blackberries, & mulberries? A former Covenant youth & youth director, Laura Pallas, and her husband Cameron Phillips from Australia have begun Buffalo Creek Berry Farm in Lexington, north of Hwy.78. Website: www.bcberryfarmga.com. It's their first crop of berries, and they need lots of help picking them, in June & July. Perhaps we can turn this into a fund-raiser for a good Covenant ministry? Or you can pick-your-own at \$12/gallon. You can also take home the bucket (\$1) or bring your own containers. Berries will keep well, refrigerated 5 days. So if you'd like to participate, on **Saturday, June 16, from 10am-noon**, please SIGNUP on the bulletin board. We'll have more information in early June.

Our national meeting of the PCUSA General Assembly is June 16-23 in St. Louis, MO. If you won't be at GA but want to get all the scoop, you can receive the GA paper each morning of the Assembly via email. It's a "pdf" of the actual newspaper printed and distributed at GA. Please keep this meeting in your prayers, and sign up here: <https://ga-pcusa.org/#Anchor-EmailSignup>

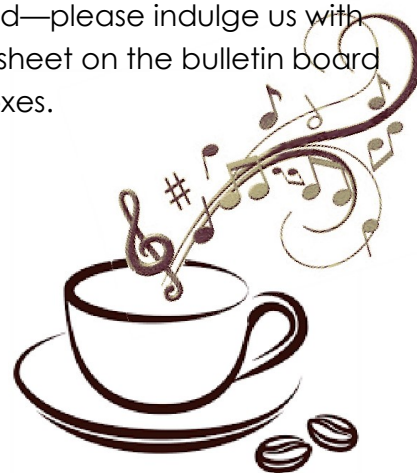


The **10:00 Wednesday morning Bible Study** will continue this summer, using the DVD, "Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land through the 5 Books of Moses," with video of Egypt & Israel and narration by author Bruce Feiler. *You're welcome to join in the good discussion!*

Covenant's Coffee House

Tuesday, July 24th at 6:30pm

Share your talents! Covenant members and friends are so gifted—please indulge us with your gifts! Sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes.



Local Businesses Going Green — Part 2

A couple of weeks ago, my husband and I ate downtown at Ted's Most Best. A salad came with Maurice's spaghetti, but the spaghetti filled him up, so we got a box to bring the salad home. Surprise! Surprise! The box was made of 100% compostable cardboard — not Styrofoam, not clear plastic, just cardboard. It's great to see that local businesses are changing their ways of doing business to alternatives that help the environment.

Caren Snook for the Green Dream Team



Answers to Names Plus: 1. Sissy; 2. Bob



5th Sunday Worship Experience -
The NEXT 5th SUNDAY is July 29! We will combine a mixture of the summer experiences of our young people as they participate in VBS "Maker's Fun Factory", "Kickin' It at Covenant" and the Middle and High School Summer Conferences.

Child Liturgist (10:45 Service) 3rd - 5th graders lead the *Call to Worship* each Sunday. Summer NOTE: As we move into the summer months, child liturgists will come on a volunteer basis. If you would like your child to lead the call to worship over the summer, contact Karen in the office and let her know which Sundays work for your family. *Instructions:* The bulletin will be emailed by the end of the week on your week. Practice with your child. During the "Voluntary" of the worship service, the liturgist may join the pastors in the chancel. To begin, your child can invite the congregation, "Please join me in the Call to Worship." *Need to switch weeks? Please do so with someone who is leading in weeks after your child and let the office know.*

Going underground with WoRM! "let the little children come unto me." - Jesus The teachers and shepherds of this joy-filled time of providing for the Christian education of our children are such a blessing. Do you have a sense of call to participate in this ministry? The leaders for the next school year will meet over the summer (date: TBD, late July/early August) to plan and pray together in preparation for the school year. If you are interested in learning more about how you can offer your gifts and fulfill your sense of call in this way, please contact Craig: ctopple@covpresathens.org

YOUTH NEWS!

Thanks to all who helped the youth programming throughout the school year!

We look forward to summer activities including:

WELCOME HOME YOUTH & LEADERS from the Montreat High School Conference, June 3-9!

Massanetta Middle School Conference, June 21-24

Youth Leader retreat - TBD

Kick'in It at Covenant—a fun filled Wednesday evening program. More info on the front page of this newsletter.

The Cave - This is an amazing ministry of Covenant for the community youth. Do you know of someone who might be interested in being the manager of the Cave for the 2018/2019 school year? Please contact Craig or Pastor Mark .



The Tweedell girls are willing and able to do house, pet, plant and babysitting this summer.

Contact DeLynda (706-540-2473)
 for their cell numbers.

I am a Starlet Competition Twirler, and I will be traveling to South Bend, Indiana to compete in the NBTA's National Twirling Championship this July. After working hard all year, I won the Beginner Junior Miss Majorette of Georgia Pageant, qualifying me for this competition. I am very excited for this opportunity to compete along with some of the best twirlers in the country representing the state of Georgia in my division. I am seeking donations of any amount to help me with the expenses of traveling to nationals this summer. Donations from family, friends, and businesses will be recognized on the back of our 2018-19 Starlet tee shirts. These shirts will be worn by over 50 girls as they perform all over the area. I would GREATLY APPRECIATE any sponsorship that you can give!

Thank you,

Carrie Tweedell

Please fill out the form below and return to:

Polly Fleming

1741 Athens Rd.

Crawford, Ga 30630

Make checks payable to: Polly Fleming

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Business Name: _____ Email: _____

Contact Number: _____

Amount of Sponsorship: _____



If you'd like to make a donation to the Presbyterian Student Center in memory of Stacey Bowden, you may make your checks out to Covenant and mark them for PSC/Stacey B – and drop them in the offering plate or bring them by the church office – and we will forward them to PSC for you.



In gratitude for your friendship
Jubilee Partners
invites you and your family for
FREE BLUEBERRY PICKING



Please come on any *two* of the following dates:

Tuesday, June 19, 5pm-dark	Saturday, July 7, from 9:30am-noon
Tuesday, June 26, 5pm-dark	Monday, July 9 from 5pm-dark
Tuesday, July 3, 5pm- dark	Tuesday, July 17, 5pm- dark.

Jubilee is located a 1/2 mile south of downtown Comer on Hwy. 22 at 427 Jubilee Rd.

**What to bring: this coupon, picking buckets,
and close-toed shoes.**

Please print your name here for our records:
 _____ # in your party _____

Your employer/church _____

WEEK OF June 10, 2018

SUNDAY- IHN ENDS

8:30am Journey Class

9:45am Worship

11:00am Punch and Cookies

1:30pm—2:30pm Debtors Anonymous

3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

MONDAY- OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

10:00am-2:00pm-Restaurant Roadtrip to "Gaby's," Ritz-Carlton/
Reynolds, Greensboro

1:30pm Grief Recovery—Upper Room (Patti Priester)

8pm New Freedom

WEDNESDAY-

10am Adult Bible Study

6:30pm—8:00pm **KICKIN IT** at Covenant

THURSDAY-

10am Committee on Ministry Meeting in Conference Room

2:00pm Knitters & Knotters

6:30pm—8:00pm YOGA

7:00pm Celebrate Recovery (Mary McGarity)

8pm Happy Squares in FH

FRIDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY— 9am—12pm Boy Scout Staff Training in FH

9am Women's Prayer Breakfast at EFBC

Fellowship Hall Cleaned

WEEK OF June 17, 2018

SUNDAY-

8:30am Journey Class

9:45am Worship

11:00am Punch and Cookies

1:30pm—2:30pm Debtors Anonymous

3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

MONDAY- 8am Covenant Breakfast Club at Cracker Barrel

OFFICE CLOSED

9am—5pm Boy Scout Camp

TUESDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

9am—5pm Boy Scout Camp

1:30pm Grief Recovery—Upper Room (Patti Priester)

8pm New Freedom

6:30pm Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY-

9am—5pm Boy Scout Camp

10am Adult Bible Study

6:30pm—8:00pm **KICKIN IT** at Covenant

THURSDAY- Youth & Leaders leave for MS Conference thru 6/24

9am—5pm Boy Scout Camp

NO Knitters & Knotters

6:30pm—8:00pm YOGA

7:00pm Celebrate Recovery (Mary McGarity)

FRIDAY- 9am—5pm Boy Scout Camp

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY—

Fellowship Hall Cleaned

WORSHIP—June 10, 2018

9:45am—

Liturgist—

Reader: Jim Newland

Ushers: Heide & Juergen Wiegel, Jim & Dorothy Newland

Greeters: Phil & Linda Koehler

Congregational Care: Paula Zimdars

Counters: Sue Loegel, Caren Snook

Punch & Cookies: DeLynda Tweedell

Flowers: TBD

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Steve Bell

Close the Building: Hank Tweedell

Grounds Stewards: Ed Ralph (June 11—17)

Nursery/Super: Pam Knox

Birth—Walking: Pam Knox

Walking—5 years old: Chuck Rosenberger, Lindsey Bowden

WORSHIP—June 17, 2018

9:45am—

Liturgist—

Reader: Steve Follin

Ushers: Julie & Don Bower, Robyn Malone, MaryAnn Johnson

Greeters: Dell Whitehead, Sue & Steve Rathbun

Congregational Care: Paula Zimdars

Counters: Randy Parish, Judy Capie

Punch & Cookies: Linda Koehler, Paula Zimdars

Flowers: Juergen Wiegel

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Steve Bell

Close the Building: Rich Reaves

Grounds Stewards: Alex Clark (June 18—24)

Nursery/Super: Lola Bell

Birth—Walking: Lola Bell

Walking—5 years old: Anje Kidd, Nathan Weaver, Steve Bell