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Sunday, July 24 at 10am: <https://www.youtube.com/cpcathens>

THE COVENANTER July 24, 2022

Member NE GEORGIA Presbytery,
Synod of the South Atlantic,
General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

COVENANT'S COVID POLICIES FOR **RED** RATING

We look forward to worshipping with you. We continue to strive to protect our loved ones and believe in transparency. Our current COVID policies are based on the CDC's community level rating for Athens Clarke County.

Guidelines for gathering inside Covenant Presbyterian Church:

RED RATING—MASK WEARING IS REQUIRED

Other changes may be recommended by the session if deemed necessary, such as virtual services, social distancing, in-person worship attendance caps, or restricted food and drink activities.

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THANK YOU to all who participated in the *Holy Cow!* Surveys.
Would you like to know the outcome and recommendations from
our responses?

Join us on...

SUNDAY, August 14 - 4-6pm in the Fellowship Hall

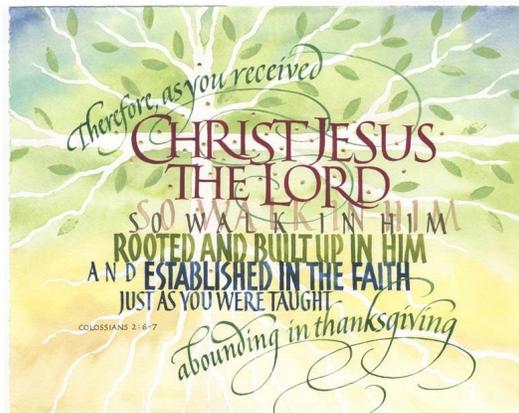
There will be a panel from the session to share the responses and take-aways for moving forward. And there will be an update on next steps for our church.

We hope to see you there!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Warren and Arnelle Combs on the loss of his sister Marjean last week; Jim Verbrugge continuing to heal from his ablation and other health issues; Rev. Jon Van Deventer, the pastor of Monticello Presbyterian Church, was killed in an automobile accident on July 10; Rev. Robert Hunt, the former pastor of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Augusta, died on July 18; Abby Horvath's mom, Becky Horvath undergoing chemo; Nancy Omdahl continuing to receive chemo treatments.

Daily Bible Readings for July 25—31

Monday Hosea 1: 2-10
 Tuesday Psalm 85
 Wednesday Genesis 18: 20—32
 Thursday Psalm 138
 Friday Colossians 2: 6-15
 Saturday Colossians 2: 16-19
 Sunday Luke 11: 1-13



Please submit prayer concerns and/or celebrations to the church office 706-548-2756 or kwetherington@covpresathens.org. or before worship service fill out the Prayer Concern form and put in offering plate or give to Pastor Dana.

It is time to sign up to bring
Punch & Cookies
 for after 10:00am worship service beginning June 12. You will find the sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes. Coordinators should plan to set-up, bring punch and cookies for 40—50, serve, and clean-up. Please feel free to pair up with others or reach out to Valerie Stone or Kay Brooks for assistance.
 (Please no red punch)



Please sign up on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes to provide a floral arrangement for worship. Thank you!

If you requested pledge envelopes for the 2022-2023 year they are in your church mailbox. If you cannot come to church to get yours please let the church office know and we will mail them to you. Thanks!



Covenant's Food Pantry

Isaiah 58:10—Feed the hungry and help those in trouble, then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.

**Covenant's Emergency Food Pantry Thursdays,
1pm—3pm.**

Next food distribution is on Thursday, July 28

Feeding over a 100 families every week is hard work and we need your help! Our drive-thru pantry is awesome and you should join us and impact your community. Please consider volunteering at [SIGNUP GENIUS](#). You can also share the 2-hour time slot with 2 friends! *(the UGA Student Volunteers are gone for the summer) And all those who have been volunteering from the start...THANK YOU VERY MUCH!*

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

STAY SAFE—If there is any reason at all that you should NOT physically volunteer-consider the following:

- Make a financial donation to the Food Pantry by sending a check to Covenant and write “food pantry” in the subject line. *(did you know that about \$500 will purchase 2,883 lbs of food from the Food Bank of NEGA which feeds approximately 111 families each week)*
- We can use paper grocery bags and some plastic bags to pack the food. If you call the church, someone could even come out to your car and get it.

A special offering will be taken for the Olomouc Church, Czech Republic, in August to support their Ukrainian Refugee Work.

More info to follow.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
The church office is open:
Tuesdays 10 am - 12 pm;
Wednesdays 10 am - 4 pm by phone/email
Thursdays 10 am - 4 pm;
Fridays 10 am - 4 pm

Please click on this link <https://www.covpresathens.org/documents/session-minutes/> for the session minutes. When you scroll down you will see links to earlier minutes. If you would like minutes from previous years please let me know at kwetherington@covpresathens.

HOW TO GIVE. There is a new online giving option through the Presbyterian Foundation at this link <https://www.covpresathens.org/online-giving/>

Or you can click on this link www.covpresathens.org and click on online giving. And as always you can mail your check to the church office or give in person. Thank you for your faithful giving!

FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE - Week #3

Anticipated Pledges — \$24,620.76

Actual Pledges — \$25,561.93

Thank you for your faithful giving!



Church School Classes via ZOOM!

UPPER ROOM CLASS- Sunday mornings at **11:30am**, James Malone hosts and different class members facilitate the discussion of the weekly chapter in *The Present Word*. If you would like to participate, please contact James at gillbillvolume1@yahoo.com, to receive your ZOOM invitation.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

JOURNEY CLASS—Sunday mornings, **8:15am—9:45am** , Phil and Sallie Hale host and different class volunteers facilitate discussion using the book, **Braiding Sweetgrass** by Robin Wall Kimmerer. If you would like to participate, please contact Phil at phale50@hotmail.com



Knitter and Knotters —

Thursday, July 28 at 2pm

Join us for a good time of fellowship and fun!

THE MUSIC SEARCH COMMITTEE is actively seeking applicants for music director & piano accompanist. If anyone in the congregation knows someone who is interested, please give their contact information to *Katy Terry, Gloria Pylant, Betsy Burmeister, Laura Foskey, Jerry Shannon or Abby Horvath.*

SHORT TALK. Supply the initials for the following: ex. Sandwich favorite. Ans. BLT

1. 1. news 24/7
2. 2. A summer “must”
3. 3. Immediately

By Marilyn Brown



Answers to **SHORT TALK:**
 1. CNN 2. AC 3. ASAP

BUILDING & GROUNDS!

LAST TIME I MENTIONED THE FRENCH DRAIN AND SUMP PUMP IN 'THE TERRARIUM' THERE WAS A DROUGHT, BUT MAYBE IT'S TIME TO ELEVATE THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS REPAIR. IF SOMEONE WILL GIVE ME A HAND WITH THIS WE'LL BOTH LEARN SOMETHING.

BRIAN STRIGGOW

MISTERFLASK@GMAIL.COM

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Nursery

The Toddler room has been freshly painted and cleaned and is now available for parents & children during worship. Supervision will be provided. If you would like to be added to the list of volunteers to assist once a quarter please contact the church office or Ellen at ellenstoneburner@gmail.com. *Thanks!*



4 Kay Millar

6 Paige Campbell

Hank Tweedell

14 Jim Verbrugge

15 Katie Bemisderfer

Annemarie Braswell

16 Susan Shealy

Carolyn Steuer

19 Karen Foutz

Thomas Sperr

22 Rich Reaves

Vera Simpson

Georgiana Sumner

23 Gloria Pylant

Jeremy Mote

24 Barbara Burnett

25 Bob Placek

26 Tina Shelnut

28 Claude Burnett

29 Kirk Cureton

31 Carol Huber

