



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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 **ATHENS PRIDE 2023** 

The Mission of Covenant Presbyterian Church is to exhibit the presence of the risen Christ in its life as a community and as individuals. When Christ says “You shall be my witness when the Holy Spirit comes upon you,” God calls the whole church to ministry, as stewards of creation through the giving of ourselves. In continuing Christ’s ministry, Covenant reflects the “good news” of God’s grace through public worship, education, fellowship, and volunteer service in the Athens community and the world. Covenant tries to achieve balance between profession and practice of the Christian faith, between word and deed, and between self-nurture and outreach to others.

In 2015, the Session voted to join the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, a national coalition of congregations that seeks to articulate and act on the church’s historic progressive vision and to work for a fully inclusive church. It is Covenant’s mission to welcome all God’s people, and send a clear signal to all persons identifying as lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender that they will find acceptance at Covenant.

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JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Sundays at 10 a.m. (summer)

JOIN US FOR SERVICE

COVENANT WEEKLY MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Our weekly food pantry continues to serve more than 100 families every Thursday. We have about 30 church volunteers and many UGA student volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, you can sign up by emailing Amy (abaer@covpresathens.org).

COLLABORATION WITH CAMPUS KITCHEN

This is truly an incredible outreach of Covenant! Currently, Campus Kitchen volunteers are using our church kitchen to cook meals on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings and they are serving and delivering meals to more than 600 people every single week. Please email Amy (abaer@covpresathens.org) if you would like to volunteer to deliver meals or adopt a week to cook!

ATHENS FREE CLINIC AT COVENANT

The Athens Free Clinic is returning to Covenant this Fall! Dates TBA

This is a totally free health clinic staffed by a Doctor and Medical Students from UGA. We are so excited that Covenant can now provide space for a needed health care resource for families in need right here on the East Side of Athens. This free clinic will be able to provide for urgent care needs, basic screenings, referrals to specialists, lab orders, prescriptions, and gender-affirming care (a vital extension of our hope to reach out to our LGBTQIA+ neighbors). Please email Amy (abaer@covpresathens.org) to volunteer for our clinic days this Fall.

OUTREACH TO FAMILIES OF CEDAR SHOALS HIGH SCHOOL

We will be holding a "Care Center Drive" for the high school this coming Fall. Our hope is to collect food items for their in-school food pantry, hygiene items and underwear/socks for their clothes closet. We will need volunteers to load and deliver these items once the church has collected all of our donations.

LGBTQIA+ OUTREACH

Here at Covenant, we are gathering ideas and interested volunteers to work on reaching out to our LGBTQIA+ neighbors. As a Committee, we know that Covenant is already both a welcoming and affirming church home for all people and especially those who have been marginalized and silenced. We are hoping to stand in solidarity with our LGBTQIA+ neighbors through donations, volunteerism, advocacy and public events. If you are interested in being a part of this vision, please reach out to Amy (abaer@covpresathens.org).