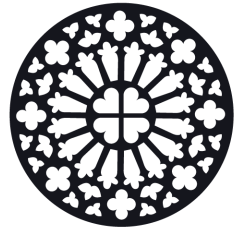


# INVITATIONS FOR DISCIPLESHIP

## 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

### October 3, 2021



*Luke 9:43 "And they were amazed at the greatness of God."*

#### The Church of the Covenant

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**Church Office Hours - Monday - Friday**  
**9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

#### Sunday, October 3, 2021 ~ Communion

**Sermon Title:** CALLED TO MISSION

**Preaching:** Denise Douglas

**Scripture:** Matthew 9: 35-38

*"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." vv. 37-38.*

#### **Prayer of Preparation**

*(to be prayed silently)*

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not seek so much  
To be consoled as to console  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love  
For it is in giving that we receive.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.  
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.

*Francis of Assisi*



**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.**

#### **STEWARDSHIP FALL CAMPAIGN**

The beginning of October marks the beginning of our annual Fall Stewardship Campaign. Please look for the kick-off letters in your mailbox. We have two goals this year: 1) to attain a 100% pledge participation rate; and 2) to reach \$750,000 in pledges to the Covenant Fund. We are off to a super start to our campaign, with our church leadership accepting the challenge to lead by example. Almost 75% of the Session members, and 50% of the committee members have pledged nearly \$150,000 already! Let's keep the ball rolling to our goals!

#### **TUESDAY EVENING SPEAKER SERIES**

Dr. John Wilson continues to lead the series on Martin Luther Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM through October 26<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Wilson is leading this series online, but you may still attend in the Dining Room if you prefer. Please RSVP to Pastor Scott: email: [pastor.scott.shetter@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.scott.shetter@gmail.com) or call 724-222-0190 x 115.

#### **BOOK GIVEAWAY**

Next Sunday, October 10, from 8:30am until 12:30 pm, the church's Carnahan Library will offer a variety of books on many topics, and for all age groups, to take home and enjoy. Please stop by the tables in the Commons to browse and select a favorite novel to re-read, or a new-to-you



#### **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Contributions come to the church in many ways. Some members have been giving online through our website, some have checks automatically drafted from their bank and sent directly to the church. There are others who contribute with personal checks or cash. We so appreciate the generosity of our congregation! If you are currently receiving envelopes but not using them, for whatever reason, please let the office know you don't need them. Email Debi: [churchoftheco@comcast.net](mailto:churchoftheco@comcast.net) or call 724.222.0190 x 111 by Thursday, October 7.



#### **Music featured in the service this morning:**

**Call to Worship:** "Famous One"

**Songs of Praise and Thanksgiving:** "Alive and Breathing" "Well Done"

**Worship Song:** "The River"

**Song of Confession, Forgiveness and Preparation:** "Scars"

**Offering Song:** "Revelation Song"

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**Sunday, October 3, 2021 ~ MISSION SUNDAY ~ COMMUNION**

8:00 AM	Worship ~ Communion	Sanctuary
9:00 - 12:00	Nursery Open	Nursery
9:00 AM	Contemporary Worship ~ Communion	Covenant Center
9:55 AM	<u>Covenant Connections Hour</u>	
10:00 AM	Book Study with Andy Kluczyn	Room 306
10:00 AM	Video Study "The Mission of Jesus"	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	Covenant Kids Room
10:00 AM	IMPACT: Youth	Youth Room
10:00 AM	Parent Gathering	Room 211
10:15 AM	Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Worship ~ Communion	Sanctuary

**This Week at The Church of the Covenant**

**Monday, October 4, 2021**

1:00 PM	Monday Readers	Dining Room
7:00 PM	Deacons	Dining Room
7:00 PM	Christian Ed. Committee	Room 211

**Tuesday, October 5, 2021**

7:30 AM	Men's Breakfast	Chicco Bacello
5:30 PM	FX—Family Experience	Covenant Center
6:00 PM	Evening Circle	Parlor
7:00 PM	Finance Committee	ZOOM
7:00 PM	Tues. Speaker Series—"Life/Theology of Luther"	Dining Room

**Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

7:00 PM	IMPACT Youth Group	ZOOM
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**Thursday, October 7, 2021**

4:30 PM	Friends of Jesus	Covenant Center
5:30 PM	Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal	Bell Room
6:30 PM	Covenant Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 PM	Endowment Committee	Office Suite

**Friday, October 8, 2021**

**Saturday, October 9, 2021**

**Sunday, October 10, 2021**

8:00 AM	Sacrament Training Class	Room 211
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Book Giveaway	Commons
Worship services and classes similar to October 3rd.		
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Confirmation Class	Youth Room

**CPR CLASS**

Hands and Hearts will be hosting a Layperson CPR Class on **Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm in the church parlor**. A certified CPR instructor from The Washington Hospital will be teaching the class that will last 1.5-2 hours. This is open to all church members 18 years or older. The class is free **Preregistration is required; NO walk-ins the evening of class**. Please see, call or text Linda Grimm at 724-263-7911 to register. Deadline to register is October 8<sup>th</sup>. Come learn how to save a life!

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Annually, The Ditman Lutes Fund makes money available to help church members meet tuition expenses at seminary school. If you, or a member you know is attending seminary or planning to enroll at a seminary, contact the church office - [churchoftheco@comcast.net](mailto:churchoftheco@comcast.net) or 724.222.0190x111. We will put you in contact with a member of the Endowment Committee so that you can learn more about this opportunity for help with tuition expenses.

**STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Daniel Merry ~ Interim Pastor/Head of Staff  
Rev. Scott Shetter - Associate Pastor  
Debi Nicoletta - Church Administrator  
Yvonne Gayle ~ Children, Youth & Family Ministries  
Darla Pepper-Miller - Director of Music Ministry  
Camille Braun - Preschool Director  
Victoria Gregg - Financial Administrator  
Ralph Farabee - Buildings and Grounds Supervisor  
Pat Sanders - Administrative Assistant  
Linda Grimm, RN ~ Parish Nurse  
Debbie Miles - 9:43 Music Coordinator  
Rev. Randall V. Boyer - Associate Pastor Emeritus



*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*

Philippians 4:13

**NEXT WEEK: Sunday, October 10, 2021**

**Sermon Title: DEVELOPING SPIRITUAL MUSCLE: OBEDIENCE**

**Preaching: Pastor Scott**

**Scripture: 1 Peter 1:13-23**

*"As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct. vv. 14-15.*

As we meditate on God's Word and draw closer to Him in prayer, it is natural that the next spiritual muscle to develop would be that of obedience. It is not natural for us to be obedient. We must condition this muscle to make it stronger.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS**

We will be offering a class for New Members on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 7:00pm in the Dining Room. If you are interested in membership, or know someone who is, please contact Debi Nicoletta at 724-222-0190 x 111 or [churchoftheco@comcast.net](mailto:churchoftheco@comcast.net).

**CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTING OCTOBER 10TH**

Confirmation is a time for **7th & 8th graders** to explore their faith, learn about Christianity and grow in community with one another. This year we will be accepting 9&10 graders who may have not had the opportunity to attend Confirmation over the past two years. **Classes begin next Sunday at noon and continue through May in the Youth Room.** For information contact Yvonne Gayle @ [yvonnegayle20@gmail.com](mailto:yvonnegayle20@gmail.com).

**ATTENTION ALL ELEMENTARY AGE KIDS AND FAMILIES! JOIN US ON OCTOBER 5TH FOR FX- FAMILY EXPERIENCE**

**October 5th at 5:30 pm** ~ Includes dinner, games, entertainment by The Covenant Characters, and small group discussions in The Covenant Center. FX is a fun shared experience for families to come together for a purpose. It strategically places parents and kids in a world that helps both understand and live out essential truths regarding wisdom, faith, and friendship. FX is an abbreviation for Family Experience.



**I have a prayer request:** (please feel free to tear off request and place in the offering plate)

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