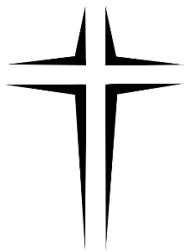




Serve a  
Stranger

**LOVE**  
God  
Neighbor  
Enemy

**2026 LENTEN SERMON SERIES**



COVENANT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

*Second Sunday in Lent*

March 1, 2026

9:00 & 11:00am

PRELUDE (9:00) Improvisations on “Jesus, Be with Us” by David Gambrell  
Megan Agriawan, pianist  
(11:00) “O Man, Bewail thy Grievous Fall” by J.S. Bach  
Doug McNeel, organist

WELCOME Pastor Charlie Berthoud

MUSIC (9:00) #510 “We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name”  
Ben Johnson, vocalist  
(11:00) #727 “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” (v. 1-4)

### CONFESSION, GOOD NEWS, TEN COMMANDMENTS & PEACE

Prayer of Confession Pastor Megan Berry

**Merciful God, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not heeded the teaching of Jesus. We have failed to love you with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors, nor have we loved our enemies. Forgive us, God. Renew our hearts with your love. Transform and strengthen us, so that your love flows through our words, our choices, and our lives. Amen.**

Good News of the Gospel

Ten Commandments

Hymn of Praise

“Loving All, Not Just Some” (v. 2, 6)

Passing of the Peace

*Please greet one another, sharing the peace of Christ. Also, please sign and pass the black friendship pad found in the pew rack.*

CHILDREN’S TIME Pastor Megan Berry

*All children are invited to join us on the chancel steps. After Children’s Time, children 3 years old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade are invited to attend Kaleidoscope Kids in C208. See page 6 for more info.*

The Lord’s Prayer

**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; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD Pastor Charlie Berthoud

Scripture: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Sermon: “Serve a Stranger”

MUSIC

(11:00) #762 "When the Poor Ones" (v. 1, 2)

OFFERING OUR LIVES & GIFTS TO GOD

*Offerings can be put in the lectern as you exit the Sanctuary. You can also give online, by contacting the office, or by scanning the QR code on the back cover.*

Music (9:00) "Still Will I Love (Song for the Refugees)" by Sean Feucht  
New Day Ensemble

Megan Angriawan, director

(11:00) "We Are Many Parts" by Marty Haugen  
Covenant Chancel Choir  
Melissa Hinz, director

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*We invite you to come forward to receive communion by intinction, dipping a gluten-free cracker in juice. Individual cups are available, if desired. If you would rather be served in your seat, just raise your hand. Children of all ages are welcome to take communion.*

Joys, Concerns, and Invitation  
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving  
Sharing the Bread and the Cup

(9:00) Betsy Erickson, Janice Walden  
(11:00) Cornelia Hempe, Barb Eikenberry  
(9:00) "In Remembrance of Me"  
(11:00) "Sanctus" by John Bell

Special Music

Prayer

MUSIC

#769 "For Everyone Born" (v. 1, 5)

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

(9:00) "The Trumpets Sounds, the Angels Sing"  
(11:00) Toccata in d minor (Dorian) by J.S. Bach

**Sunday Flowers**

This week's flowers are provided by Betsy Erickson  
in celebration of our church community.



# WELCOME

LEARNING GOD'S LOVE  
LIVING GOD'S LOVE

*Thank you for joining us!*

If you are a visitor today, please visit our Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary in the gathering space where you can pick up more information about the church and chat with a member. If you have questions, please contact the church office!

*Masks are optional when in the building. Please be respectful of those who choose to wear a mask.*

*Masks and hand sanitizer are available at the Welcome Center.*

Email: [info@covenantmadison.org](mailto:info@covenantmadison.org) | Phone: (608) 233-6297

## Worship

**9:00am Piano-Led**

A piano-led service frequently with the New Day Ensemble

**11:00am Organ-Led**

An organ-led service frequently with choir or handbells

Livestream available here: [youtube.com/c/CovenantPresbyterianChurch](https://youtube.com/c/CovenantPresbyterianChurch).

## Fellowship

**10:00am Bradfield Café**

Come join us for donuts, coffee, and fellowship!

## Nursery

**Hours: 8:45am-12:15pm**

Our professionally staffed nursery is available for children 3 years old and below. Follow the frogs from the Welcome Center to the nursery located in room C101.

## **Next Sunday**

**March 8, 2026 | 9:00 & 11:00am**

Preaching: Pastor Jess Scholten | "Show Mercy"

Text: 1 Samuel 24:16-22; Luke 23:32-43



---

## General Announcements

---

### **Inquirer's Classes - Sundays, March 1, 8, & 15 at 10:00am**

Our first Inquirer's Class is TODAY at 10:00am in the Lounge! If you want to learn more about Covenant and about the possibility of membership, come join the first meeting or contact Pastor Charlie at [charlie@covenantmadison.org](mailto:charlie@covenantmadison.org).

### **Lenten Sermon Series**

Jesus teaches us to love God, neighbor, and enemies. During this holy season we will reflect on this calling, and how loving God, neighbor, and enemy are interwoven in our lives, rather than three distinct teachings. Join us on Sundays and Wednesdays as we continue learning about God's love for us and how we can respond by loving God, neighbor, and enemy.

### **RAF Book Study - Thursdays, February 19 - March 12, 7:00pm on Zoom**

The next Racists Anonymous Fellowship (RAF) Book Study will be on Christine Jeske's new book, *Racial Justice for the Long Haul*. This study takes place on Thursdays at 7:00pm via Zoom. Copies of the book are available in the church office for a donation of \$5-10 to offset some of the cost. Contact Jennifer Morgan at [jbmorgan@me.com](mailto:jbmorgan@me.com) to sign up and receive the Zoom link to attend.

---

## Children's Ministries

---

### **Kaleidoscope Kids - TODAY at 9:00am**

Kaleidoscope Kids teaches our children about parts of the worship service and meets every Sunday during 9:00am worship immediately following Children's Time. *Kaleidoscope Kids is for children 3 years old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade.*

### **Sunday School - TODAY at 10:00am**

Sunday School meets weekly from 10:00-10:50am. *Sunday School is for children 3 years old through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**Families!** Family Worship Bags and Children's Bibles are available in the narthex. Our Lounge is open for kids to move around while still participating in worship.

Visit [covenantmadison.org/children](http://covenantmadison.org/children) for more info on Children's Ministries at Covenant.

---

## Adult Education

---

### **“Love God, Neighbor, Enemy” - TODAY at 10:00am**

Covenant member Tom Hershberger will explore our Lenten sermon series theme, “Love God, Neighbor, Enemy,” reflecting on what Jesus’ call to love really means in our daily lives and relationships.

### **Upcoming:**

**Sunday, March 8 - “Show Mercy” with Covenant member Monica Mark**

**Sunday, March 15 - “Wash Another’s Feet” with Covenant members Michael Whitley and Jenny Von Bergen**

**Sunday, March 22 - “Live Peaceably” with Pastor Jess Scholten**

Visit [covenantmadison.org/adult](http://covenantmadison.org/adult) for more info on Adult Ed at Covenant.

---

## Youth Connection

---

### **Youth Connection - TODAY, 5:00-6:30pm**

Join us for some fun, fellowship, and snacks! *Youth Connection is for grades 6-12.*

### **Youth Lock-In - March 7-8**

Mark your calendars for our first youth lock-in of the year from March 7-8! We’ll start at 5:00pm on Saturday and end at 12:30pm on Sunday. Come join us!

Visit [covenantmadison.org/youth](http://covenantmadison.org/youth) for more info on Youth Connection at Covenant.

---

## March Parking Lot Update

---

The parking lot project is moving forward. We plan to replace the aging pavement and upgrade all aspects of the lot to meet environmental, lighting, landscaping and accessibility standards. We are grateful for the generosity of the congregation, which has pledged over \$820,000 toward our goal of \$800,000. Thank you!

In February, the Buildings and Grounds Committee met with our engineering firm—JT Engineering—to review the bid process and prepare to send the project out for bid. We plan to complete the bidding process and sign with a contractor by late April with construction beginning in late May. Subcommittees to plan for lighting and landscaping are being formed; if anyone is interested in joining, please contact Steve Whayland at [swhayland@tds.net](mailto:swhayland@tds.net).

---

## Upcoming Events

---

### **Midweek Lenten Suppers - Wednesdays, February 25 - March 25**

This Lent, come join us for supper, fellowship, and worship in Bradfield Hall. Supper and fellowship time will start at **5:30pm** and at **6:15pm**, we’ll move into a time of

intergenerational and casual worship together. All are welcome to attend dinner and/or worship. **Please RSVP on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary.** RSVPs are helpful but not required. For supper we're asking for \$5 per person, \$15 max per family, or it's **FREE** if you are a first-time attendee.

### **First Wednesdays Potluck - Wednesday, March 4, 12:00pm**

Cook something at home or pick something up at your favorite restaurant to share and join us for our monthly potluck! Beverages, plates, and utensils are provided. This month, Pastor Charlie will share about his son's cross-country bike trip. Feel free to invite a friend to join us as we share a meal and fellowship together.

### **Clementines for Glenn Stephens Elementary - Sunday, March 8**

We will be collecting **clementines** on Sunday, March 8 for our next fruit delivery to students and staff at Glenn Stephens. Look for the wagons in the narthex. **Please note that this month's collection is on the SECOND Sunday of the month.** Your generosity is much appreciated!

### **Soul Sisters - Sunday, March 8, 12:00pm**

All women of Covenant are invited to join the Soul Sisters gathering at church on March 8 at 12:00pm in Room A106. Please bring your own lunch, and we'll eat and chat for the first part of the meeting. Our discussion for this gathering will be based on the series "The God We Can Know" - Exploring The 'I Am' Sayings of Jesus." To learn more about Soul Sisters, email Barb Eikenberry at [barb.eikenberry@gmail.com](mailto:barb.eikenberry@gmail.com).

### **Families with Young Kids Potluck- Sunday, March 8, 4:00-6:00pm**

Families with young kids, come join us as we gather in Bradfield Hall for fellowship. Childcare will be provided from 4:00 to 5:00pm, and then we'll all have a potluck together at 5:00pm. Please bring a dish to share!

### **Feed My Starving Children - Friday, March 13 & Saturday, March 14**

Feed My Starving Children is an organization focused on feeding healthy and nutritious meals to those in areas of deep poverty and suffering from malnutrition. Part of this work is packing up the meal kits that they send to communities all over the world. **Good**

**Shepherd Lutheran on County Rd PD will be hosting packing events on Friday, March 13 (7:00-9:00pm) and Saturday, March 14 (9:00-11:00am).**

**This year, Covenant has reserved 40 slots for people to join each day!** Children 5-18 years old are welcome to come and help with their parents. You can sign up by scanning the QR codes or by contacting Pastor Megan at [mberry@covenantmadison.org](mailto:mberry@covenantmadison.org).



## Covenant Staff and Officers

<p><b>Charlie Berthoud</b>, Pastor/Head of Staff  <b>Megan Berry</b>, Pastor for Children,          Youth &amp; Families  <b>Jess Scholten</b>, Pastor for Mission,          Spiritual Growth &amp; Care  <b>Melissa Hinz</b>, Minister of Music &amp;          Pastoral Care  <b>Megan Angriawan</b>, Assistant Music          Coordinator  <b>Arlene Kennedy</b>, Children’s Music          Director  <b>Doug McNeel</b>, Organist  <b>Bailey Green</b>, Church Administrator  <b>Janet Cresson</b>, Financial Coordinator  <b>Ann Perry</b>, Administrative Assistant  <b>Vicki Alexander</b>, Nursery Supervisor  <b>Eileen Durand, Anne Lawrence</b>,          Nursery Assistants  <b>Jay Petrie</b>, Livestream Operator  <b>Mary Kieta</b>, Sunday Host  <b>Rodrigo Morales</b>, Custodian  <b>Rick Bartz</b>, Maintenance Assistant</p>	<p><b>DEACONS</b></p> <p><i>Class of 2026</i>          Ann Larget          Cara Cavin          Randy Holveck          Chan Sommers</p> <p><i>Class of 2027</i>          Jane Bertram          Melissa Hardy          Cornelia Hempe          Art Kanitz</p> <p><i>Class of 2028</i>          Shawn Conley          Raleigh Jones          Janice Walden          Pat Wilker</p>	<p><b>ELDERS/SESSION</b></p> <p><i>Class of 2026</i>          Barb Eikenberry          Skye Doney          Jane Kolakowski</p> <p><i>Class of 2027</i>          Tom Hershberger          Rhonda Rohn          JR Schmidt</p> <p><i>Class of 2028</i>          Brad Brown          Betsy Erickson          Tim Smeeding</p> <p><i>Clerk of Session</i>          Laurie Jones</p>
---	---	---

### COVENANT IS A MATTHEW 25 CHURCH

In accepting the PC(USA)’s Matthew 25 invitation, we commit ourselves to the work of dismantling structural racism, eradicating systemic poverty, and building congregational vitality. In everything we do – worship, education, mission, fellowship – we think about how we love God through loving our neighbor.

Covenant Presbyterian Church



326 S. Segoe Road  
 Madison, WI 53705  
 (608) 233-6297  
 M-TH 9-4; F 9-12

[info@covenantmadison.org](mailto:info@covenantmadison.org)  
[covenantmadison.org](http://covenantmadison.org)



scan to give