



Welcome to Worship Sunday, January 28, 2024 9:00am & 11:00am Worship Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear.

Ephesians 4:29

(9:00) "I Am the Vine" by John Michael Talbot New Day Ensemble; Ben Welch, leading

(11:00) Andante & Maestoso from "Organ Piece in c minor" by Thomas Adams Doug McNeel, organist

• WELCOME

Pastor Charlie Berthoud

MUSIC

(9:00) "Open My Heart To Your Love" by Hans Peterson (11:00) #409 "God Is Here" (v. 1, 3, 4)

(A) CONFESSION, GOOD NEWS, & PEACE

(9:00) Melissa Schmidt (11:00) Carrie Sanders

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, in Jesus Christ, the Word-made-flesh, you have come to teach us and guide us. You call us to love one another and to build up each other, but too often we say and do hurtful things to each other. Forgive us and help us grow into the new life that you offer. Help us to hear and believe your words of love for us, so that we can share words and deed of love with others. Amen.

The Good News of the Gospel

Hymn of Praise

#39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (v. 3)

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

Nick Von Bergen

Kaleidoscope Kids (9:00 only): After Children's Time, children 3 years old through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to attend Kaleidoscope Kids class in C208. See page 6 for more information.

### 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: Ephesians 4:25-32 Sermon: "Building Up" (9:00) Aliah Conley (11:00) Declan Kennedy

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Offerings can be dropped in the offering lectern located in the sanctuary's vestibule as you exit. You can also give on our website, by contacting the church office, or our QR code on back cover of bulletin.

Special Music (9:00) "I Will Wait for You" by Kauflin, Merker, Getty & Townend (11:00) "Go Down, Moses" arr. Robert Harris Covenant Chancel Choir; Melissa Hinz, director



**MUSIC** 

(9:00) #749 "We Are Called" (v. 1, 3)

(11:00) #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory" (v. 1, 2, 4)



POSTLUDE

(9:00) "From The Rooftops" by Michael Neale (11:00) *Fugue* from "Organ Piece in c minor" by Thomas Adams



## Thank you for joining us!

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

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

## **Worship**

## 9:00am New Day Worship

A more casual piano-led service

#### 11:00am Traditional Worship

A more traditional organ-led service frequently with choir or handbells Livestream available here: youtube.com/c/CovenantPresbyterianChurch.

## **Fellowship Hour**

#### Bradfield Café: 10:00-10:45am

Join us for coffee, donuts, 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 A106.

## Next Sunday February 4, 2024

"Word Power" Sermon Series | Holy Communion

Sermon: "Words and Deeds" | Preaching: Charlie Berthoud

Text: Matthew 7:21-29 | Music (9:00): New Day Ensemble (Ben Welch, leading)

Music (11:00): Doug McNeel (organ), Covenant Handbell Choir (Melissa Hinz, directing)



### **General Announcements**

#### Spiritual Stroll - TODAY at 2PM!

Our first Spiritual Stroll of 2024 is happening today at Picnic Point! **Meet at the trailhead off parking lot 130.** These strolls are part of *CONNECT*, a program of deacon-sponsored events with the intention of fostering connection between Covenant and the community.





#### Heifer Sunday & Celebration! - NEXT SUNDAY at 10AM!

February 4 is Heifer Sunday, when we raise awareness/funds to support the development work of Heifer International. In Sunday School, the children have been learning about animals, nutrition, and agriculture. They will wear animal costumes while hosting

various games. Bring some coins, a checkbook, or by scanning the QR code.

#### **Clementines for Glenn Stephens**

The Mission Committee collects fresh fruit for the students at Glenn Stephens School so every student has a healthy snack. In February, we are collecting **clementines**! If you'd like to help, please bring a bag (or two) to the gathering space **next Sunday (February 4)**.

## Chancel Flowers - Celebrate or Acknowledge a Loved One

Sunday flowers can be given to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or in memoriam of someone. Visit the Welcome Center for more info and to sign up. Each arrangement is \$50, plus you can take them home after the Sunday you sign up for!

## 2023 Annual Report Available

The Annual Meeting is **on Sunday, February 11 at 10:00am,** and the 2023 Annual/Financial Report is now available at covenantmadison.org.

#### **Adult Education**

Join us **TODAY at 10:00am** for reflections on The Matthew 25 Summit. The summit in Atlanta was an inspiring experience for those from Covenant who

attended: Deb Cohn, Melissa Hinz, Jennifer Morgan and Ann Athas. Covenant became a Matthew 25 congregation in 2021, but beyond "checking the box" our hope is that Covenant members' interest in the priorities of the Matthew 25 initiative will lead to meaningful action. Join us today to learn more!

<u>Note</u>: Online access to Adult Ed classes are on hold temporarily as we explore options. Visit covenantmadison.org/adult for more info on Adult Education at Covenant.

## Speaking of Matthew 25...

Book Study: *Poverty*, *by America* – Mondays (February), 6:30-7:45pm (Zoom) To help Matthew 25 congregations with the Matthew 25 focus on eradicating systemic poverty, PC(USA) staff are leading a FREE book study initiative on Matthew Desmond's book *Poverty*, *by America*. Register at shorturl.at/pFQUV.

#### Children's Ministries

**Sunday School** meets **today from 10:00-10:50am.** We will meet in B103 for Children's Choir first before going to classrooms. *Sunday School is for children 3 years old through 8th grade.* 

**Kaleidoscope Kids** meets today during 9:00 worship immediately following Children's Time. Children will follow teachers to room C208. Kaleidoscope meets every Sunday **except 1**<sup>st</sup> **Sundays** and prepares them for what happens in the sanctuary. *Kaleidoscope Kids is for children 3 years old through 2*<sup>nd</sup> grade.

**Families!** Be sure to grab the **Family Worship Bags** and a **Children's Bible** from the gathering space before heading into worship.

Visit covenantmadison.org/children for more info on Children's Ministries or contact Assoc. Pastor Megan Berry at mberry@covenantmadison.org with questions.

#### Youth Connection

**Youth Connection** meets **TODAY from 6:00-7:30pm.** Come for some snacks, games, and fellowship, then we'll break off into small groups.

Visit covenantmadison.org/youth for more info on Youth Connection or contact Assoc. Pastor Megan Berry at mberry@covenantmadison.org with questions.

## **Upcoming Events**

Final Exodus Bible Study – Thursday, February 1, 10:30am & 6:30pm Join us for the final Exodus Bible Study as we help each other learn more about this ancient text and its contemporary relevance. New to Bible studies or didn't attend the others? Come anyway! Visit covenantmadison.org/events for more info. Note: Thursday 6:30pm studies will be on Zoom only (link on events page).

### Monthly Book Club (New!) - Sunday, February 4, 12:00pm

We're beginning a new book club that will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month! Join us as we read and discuss *A Sand County Almanac* by Aldo Leopold. In February, we will look at the first essay, and one essay each month after that. Questions? Contact Melissa Hinz at mhinz@covenantmadison.org.

#### Madison Capitols Hockey Game - Sunday, February 4, 3:00pm

Join us for a Madison Capitols hockey game! Covenant's very own Ben Welch plays the organ music at all the games, so let's show our support! Price is \$11 - email Emily Lanphear at emilylanphear@gmail.com. This is an event of *CONNECT*, a program of deacon-sponsored events with the intention of fostering connection between Covenant and the community.

## Inquirer's Classes - Sundays, February 18, 25, March 3, 10:00am

If you want to learn more about Covenant and about the possibility of membership, come join the Inquirer's Classes in the Lounge next month! Contact Pastor Charlie at charlie@covenantmadison.org if you are interested.



## Winter Blood Drive - Thursday, February 22, 12:00-5:00pm

You can sign up now to give blood at our Winter Drive. Help save lives **and** receive a \$20 Amazon Gift Card! Visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code **Covenantpresmadison**, call 1-800-RED-CROSS, or scan the QR code.



## Black History for a New Day - REGISTER NOW! Mondays 7:00-9:00pm, February 26 - May 6 (Zoom)

Registration is now underway for Nehemiah Center's *Black History for a New Day*, an eye-opening course that helps us look back at how the African-American experience has shaped who we all are today.

Covenant will have their own group led by Jennifer Morgan. Tuition for Covenant is a discounted \$125 and \$50 for alumni of the course. Scholarships also available! **Register via the QR code** or via covenantmadison.org/adult - only 14 spots left, so register now! No homework necessary. **Notes: 1**) there are no classes on Mar 25 or Apr 22. **2**) Please do not register through the Nehemiah website.

#### **Covenant Staff and Officers**

Charlie Berthoud, Senior Pastor Megan Berry, Associate Pastor for Children, Youth & Families Melissa Hinz, Minister of Music & Pastoral Care

**Ben Welch**, Contemporary Music Coordinator

**Arlene Kennedy**, Children's Music Director

Doug McNeel, Organist
Bailey Green, Church Administrator
Janet Cresson, Financial Coordinator
Derek Handley, Communications
Coordinator

Vicki Alexander, Nursery Supervisor Eileen Durand, Anne Lawrence, Nursery Assistants

Jay Petrie, Livestream Operator Mary Kieta, Sunday Host Ken Corbett, Maintenance Assistant Rodrigo Morales, Custodian

#### **DEACONS**

Class of 2024
Margie Coons
Emily Lanphear
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Chris Turner

Class of 2025
Bob Cole
Sherry Hershberger
Mary Kieta
Lynn Vande Sande

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Ann Larget
Cara Cavin
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## **ELDERS/SESSION**

Class of 2024 Monica Mark Jennifer Morgan Mark Soderberg

Class of 2025
Steve Fulton
John Guequierre
Marilyn Krichko

Class of 2026
Barb Eikenberry
Skye Doney
Jane Kolakowski

Clerk of Session Laurie Jones

#### **COVID POLICY**

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.

#### **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.





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