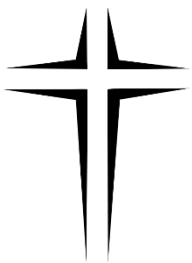


APRIL 28
9AM | 11AM




Youth Sunday




COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Welcome to Worship
Sunday, April 28, 2024
9:00am & 11:00am Worship

Peter said, "I really am learning that God doesn't show partiality to one group of people over another. Rather, in every nation, whoever worships God and does what is right is acceptable to God. This is the message of peace God sent to the Israelites by proclaiming the good news through Jesus Christ: He is Lord of all! -Acts 10:34-36 (CEB)

 PRELUDE (9:00) "Wonderful Merciful Savior" by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse
New Day Ensemble; Ben Welch, leading
(11:00) "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" by Peter Stearns
Doug McNeel, organist

 WELCOME Pastor Megan Berry

 MUSIC (9:00) "Worthy of My Praise" by David Ruis
(11:00) #250 "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

 CONFESSION, GOOD NEWS, & PEACE Bergen Whitley, (11:00) Aliah Conley

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. We let anger and frustration run our decisions and forget to see the good in the world around us. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The Good News of the Gospel

Hymn of Praise (9:00) #582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" (v. 1)
(11:00) #610 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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 Callum Kennedy

Kaleidoscope Kids (9:00 only): After Children's Time, children 3 years old through 2nd 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

Scripture: Acts 10:34-48 (CEB)
Meditation & Reflections

Declan Kennedy
Xander Whitley, Addison Lanphear

 OFFERING OUR LIVES & GIFTS TO GOD

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) "With You" by Ben Welch

(11:00) "Shine on Me," arr. Rollo Dilworth
Covenant Chancel Choir; Melissa Hinz, directing

 JOYS, CONCERNS, & PRAYERS

(9:00) Jacob Schmidt (11:00) Katherine Moore

 MUSIC

#749 "Here I Am, Lord" (v. 1, 2)

 AFFIRMATION OF CONFIRMANDS (11:00)

Jennifer Morgan

The following ten youth have been accepted as members of Covenant Presbyterian Church by way of confirmation:

Estelle Fuller, Kate Fuller, Jackson Girard, Sam Kures, Addison Lanphear,
Ella Olmsted, Noah Olmsted, Riess Perry, Brooke Von Bergen, Xander Whitley

 BLESSING

 POSTLUDE

(9:00) "Go Outside" by Andra Moran
(11:00) "Alleluia" (*Lux Eoi*) by Peter Stearns

Today's Flowers

Today's flowers are provided by:

*Anne Lawrence, in celebration of Bill & Fern Lawrence's 62nd wedding anniversary!
Covenant, in celebration of our ten confirmands!*

Today's white rose commemorates the life of Esther Hedfield, Covenant member.



Welcome

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MADISON, WISCONSIN

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.

Celebration for Ben Welch

10:00-10:45am Bradfield Café

Come join us for refreshments, coffee, and fellowship in Bradfield Hall!

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

May 5, 2024

“Transformative Community” Sermon Series

Holy Communion | **Guest Preacher: Rev. Paul Melrose**

“A Heavenly Prison Break” | Text: Acts 16:20-40

Music: *Covenant Chancel Choir* (Melissa Hinz, directing); Doug McNeel, organist

Announcements

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

Happening Today!

Celebration for Ben Welch - TODAY at 10AM

Today is Ben Welch's final Sunday serving as Contemporary Music Coordinator at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Join us in Bradfield Hall as we celebrate Ben Welch's ministry at Covenant! Refreshments will be provided. We are sad to say goodbye to Ben but are also excited and hopeful for him as he follows a new path after decades in music ministry. Ben affirms his love and respect for everyone at Covenant. Thank you, Ben, for the many loving and wonderful years of service!

Confirmation Celebration - TODAY at 12PM

Join us after 11AM worship in the gathering space to celebrate our ten confirmands! Refreshments will be provided, and you will have a chance to congratulate and welcome our newest members. Congratulations, Confirmands!

Spiritual Stroll - TODAY at 2PM

Join us today for a stroll at UW Arboretum! We will meet at the McKay Center. These strolls are part of *CONNECT*, a program of deacon-sponsored events with the intention of fostering connection between Covenant and the community. We visit a different greenspace on the 4th Sunday of the month.

General Announcements

Sub Sandwich Fundraiser Update

We had a hugely successful response to our Sub Sandwich Fundraiser for the youth summer trips to Massanetta, VA (middle school) and Montreat, NC (high school). Over 90 subs were ordered for a grand total of **\$808.00**. Thank you for participating! You can still donate financially to these trips by scanning the QR code or visiting shorturl.at/dgnFU. For more information on the youth trips, visit covenantmadison.org/youth.



Apples for Glenn Stephens

Please help the Mission Committee by bringing a bag (or two) of apples with you on **Sunday, May 5**. This will be our last fruit collection for the school year and the

Mission Committee sends a big thank you to everyone who has helped make our healthy snack program so successful!

APT “Ring Around the Moon” – August 25

Join us in August at American Players Theater to see a production of “Ring Around the Moon.” Seats are limited! Scan the QR code or visit shorturl.at/ctuCH to sign up.

Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning **May 19**, we will have **one service at 9:30am**. We will return to two services on September 8 (Kick-Off Sunday).

Please Help Stock our Pantries

Please consider helping restock either the Little Free Pantry (outdoor) or Little Food Pantry (indoor) with non-perishable items. Thank you!

Adult Education

“How We Got the Bible” Part 1 – TODAY at 10AM

Who put our Bible together and when did they do it? Explore these questions as John Strikwerda gives an overview of how our sacred writings were preserved, modified, and passed on to us. There will be two sessions of this class: **Old Testament TODAY**, and New Testament on May 5.

Visit covenantmadison.org/adult for more info on Adult Education at Covenant.

Children’s Ministries

Sunday School – TODAY at 10AM

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.* **Please note:** On **May 5 and 12**, we will have Sunday School Musical rehearsals instead of normal Sunday School.

Kaleidoscope Kids – TODAY at 9AM

Kaleidoscope meets today during 9:00 worship immediately following Children’s Time. **Today, Arlene will rehearse our kiddos for the Musical on May 19.** Kaleidoscope meets every Sunday **except 1st Sundays** and prepares them for what happens in the sanctuary. *Kaleidoscope Kids is for children 3 years old through 2nd 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 Pastor Megan Berry at mberry@covenantmadison.org with questions.

Youth Connection

NO Youth Connection today

There is NO Youth Connection today due to the hard work put in for Youth Sunday. We will continue meeting at the normal time next week (Sundays 6:00-7:30pm).

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

Upcoming Events

First Wednesdays Potluck – Wednesday, May 1, 12:00pm

Cook something at home or pick up something at your favorite grocery store or restaurant to share; beverages, plates, and utensils provided. Our guest speaker will be Peggy Bugg, who will share her experience on the El Camino pilgrimage.

Gardening Workday – Saturday, May 4, 9:00am-12:00pm

It's Spring and native plants in the front of church are coming up! Unfortunately, so are the weeds. Anyone willing to help clean up is welcome (no experience necessary). Come meet new people, learn about native plants, and enjoy being part of the crew! Donuts and drinks will be provided. Please bring your own tools.

Monthly Book Club – Sunday, May 5, 12:00pm

Join us as we read and discuss *A Sand County Almanac* by Aldo Leopold. Every 1st Sunday, we discuss an essay from this book. In May, we will look at the **fourth** essay. Questions? Contact Melissa Hinz at mhinz@covenantmadison.org.

Soul Sisters Year-End Potluck – Sunday, May 5, 12:30pm

You are invited to join Soul Sisters Year-End Potluck! Bring a dish to share and ideas for next year's gatherings. Soul Sisters is a group for women, members and nonmembers, to share fellowship and faith. To join Soul Sisters, send your email and phone number to coordinator Barb Eikenberry at barb.eikenberry@gmail.com.

Families with Young Kids Fellowship – Sunday, May 5, 4:00-6:00pm

Families with young kids, come join us as we gather in Bradfield Hall for fellowship. Childcare will be provided from 4:00-5:00, and then we'll all have pizza together at 5:00. Contact Pastor Jess with any questions at jscholten@covenantmadison.org.

A Glance Ahead

Children & Youth Musical "Faith News" – Sunday, May 19 (Pentecost)

Summer Worship Schedule Begins – Sunday, May 19 (one service at 9:30)

Trinity Sunday / Kite Sunday – Sunday, May 26

Covenant Staff and Officers

<p>Charlie Berthoud, Pastor/Head of Staff Megan Berry, Pastor for Children, Youth & Families Jess Scholten, Pastor for Mission, Spiritual Growth & Care 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</p>	<p>DEACONS</p> <p><i>Class of 2024</i> Margie Coons Emily Lanphear Steve Resan Chris Turner</p> <p><i>Class of 2025</i> Bob Cole Sherry Hershberger Mary Kieta Lynn Vande Sande</p> <p><i>Class of 2026</i> Ann Larget Cara Cavin Randy Holveck Chan Sommers</p>	<p>ELDERS/SESSION</p> <p><i>Class of 2024</i> Monica Mark Jennifer Morgan Mark Soderberg</p> <p><i>Class of 2025</i> Steve Fulton John Guequierre Marilyn Krichko</p> <p><i>Class of 2026</i> Barb Eikenberry Skye Doney Jane Kolakowski</p> <p>Clerk of Session Laurie Jones</p>
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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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