

Please click here to view Covenant's Worship Service on You Tube for **Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 11am:** <https://www.youtube.com/cpcathens>
Link to the bulletin: <https://www.covpresathens.org/bulletin/>

THE COVENANTER OCTOBER 27, 2024

Member NE GEORGIA Presbytery,
Synod of the South Atlantic,
General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA)



November 3, 2024 at 11:00am

The commemoration of the saints goes to the heart of our faith; death has not won (1 Corinthians 15: 55-57); in all we do we are accompanied by fellow Christians, living and dead (Hebrews 12: 1); and in the end we will join others in praising God eternally (Revelation 7: 9-10). In worship we will refer to them during a moment of recognition and prayer.

Please check the list on the table in the gathering room for additions or corrections.

La Table 2025

La Table, the fundraising luncheon to support Family Promise will be held in February 2025. A group has enjoyed creating/decorating tables but is very happy to share the fun. They will do it again this year and have started planning for the 2025 theme of butterflies. If you would like to decorate a table please contact Karen in the church office for more information.

Peace and Global Witness Offering For the month of October we will receive an offering for Peace & Global Witness. These gifts are helping our neighbors in need—those who live next door, down the street, and across the globe. 25% of this offering stays with our congregation, and 25% of this offering goes to the mid-council to join with other congregations to support peacemaking work in our region. 50% of this offering supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe. Our neighbors need us. Please give what you can. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot! **Ways to give:** through your congregation, or donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/peace-global.

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), through the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, is on the ground responding to the many urgent needs following the destruction of Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

GIVE. ACT. PRAY.

GIVE:


Immediate donations can be made [online](#), or <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000169/> or by scanning the QR code with your mobile device, calling (800) 728-7228, ext. 5885 or mailing a check to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.



IN OUR PRAYERS: Sara Cooney and family in the passing of her sister, Debra Kay Lucas Fagher, who lost her 40 year battle with breast cancer; June Meyers and family in the passing of her sister, Fae Keeney; Lisa Buchanan recovering from broken foot; Amy Baer's Step Dad Charlie in Kansas City recovering from a mild stroke; Willene O'Neal with a recently placed pacemaker; Bert Ballard-Myer recovering from knee surgery; Bert & Marie's friend, Trish Ingram undergoing cancer treatment; Charles Cantrell's son, David, and all those in Asheville, NC; Deborah Anderson, friend of John Knox, with a recent recurrence of cancer; Mary Anna Wynes recovering from surgery on her elbow, Sept. 23rd; Rich Dunham recovering from a double lung transplant; Alice Rose fighting leukemia and heart condition; Rich Kimmich recovering at home from an accident; Dick Zimdars at home; Bob Placek in skilled nursing at PVA and Joyce at home; Larry Hatfield remains under treatment for stage 4 colon cancer; Juergen Wiegel in PVA memory care and Heide at home; Gene Holshouser at home; all those affected by the recent storms; and our country.

Please submit prayer concerns and/or celebrations to the church office 706-548-2756 or kwetherington@covpresathens.org or before worship service fill out the Prayer Concern form and put in offering plate or give to the Pastor.

 * **DAILY BIBLE READINGS:** *
 * **Ruth 1: 1-18, Psalm 146,** *
 * **Deuteronomy 6: 1-9, Psalm 119: 1-8,** *
 * **Hebrews 9: 11-14, Mark 12: 28-34,** *
 * **Mark 1: 1-8, Revelations 22: 1-5** *



LUNCH BUNCH
 Each month on the first Tuesday of the month at 11:30am at DePalma's Italian Restaurant (eastside). All are welcome to join us for a good time of fellowship and food.



Dear Covenant friends and members,
 The Worship Ministry Team has appreciated your feedback regarding Holy Communion. We're pleased to announce two important features you have requested, starting on World Communion Sunday, October 6 we will:

- Continue passing the elements person-to-person, allowing for personal meditation during this sacred feast.
- Serve pieces of freshly baked bread instead of wafers to enhance your experience of the Lord's Supper.

To accommodate your wishes, we need additional volunteers to assist quarterly. It's a 20-minute commitment

- before worship to prepare the bread and grape juice (elements provided for you)
- after worship to clean up

The procedures are clearly outlined. If you are willing to serve, please text me at 706-521-2530, call the church office, or leave a note in my hallway mailbox.

Thanks for your active participation in worship. It is what makes Covenant an inviting worship community.

Warren Combs, Worship Ministry Team

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30am Nursery

9:45am Church School for
all Ages

11:00am Worship

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

USHERS/GREETERS: Randy & Susan Parish, Katy Terry, Paige Cummings

LITURGIST: Sandy Whitney

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

USHERS/GREETERS: Alan Edwards, Judy Capie, Jim & Sandy Whitney

LITURGIST: Warren Combs

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MEAL COORDINATOR

for November: June Meyers

OPEN & CLOSE THE BUILDING

Chris Wilson	1st Sunday	Judy Capie	2nd Sunday
Pam Knox	3rd Sunday	Tim Foutz	4th Sunday
Brian Striggow	5th Sunday		

GROUNDS STEWARDS

First Monday Week—Katy Terry & Chris Wilson

Second Monday Week—Don Bower & Alex Clark

Third Monday Week—Phil Hale & Phil Koehler

Fourth Monday Week—Susan & Randy Parish

5th Monday Week—Ellen Stoneburner & June Meyers



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Marie Ballard-Myer, Lily McKay

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Clayton & Grace Adams



Covenant Connection October 30, 2024

5:30pm with a family style meal prepared by our own
Chef Patrick McMaster. (donation \$3 each)

6:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:15pm Adult Bible Study facilitated by Pastor Tom

7:15pm Adult Choir rehearsal in Worship Center



1 Bert Ballard-Myer

Sarah LaMotte

2 Tom Nemetz

4 Andrew Zimdars

9 Gene Holshouser

Carl Stone

10 Sydney Braswell

16 DeLynda Tweedell

18 Jimmy Cobb

Jason Green

20 Joe Meyers

23 Bert Ballard-Myer

Melissa Cobb

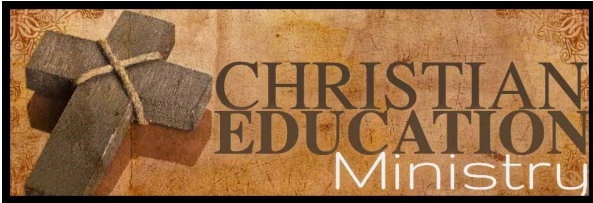
27 Arnold Jonathan

28 Sarah Lamb

Emma Parido

30 Deb Cureton

Sara Thompson



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!

The **"GOD-BOTHERERS" Class at 9:45am.** Join us in the library for this exciting class facilitated by Pastor Tom. This class is for anyone of any age who wrestles with tough questions.

The **"UPPER ROOM" at 9:45am.** Location: "Upper Room" Classroom at the top of the ramp and Via Zoom. James Malone hosts and different class members facilitate the discussion of the weekly chapter in The Present Word. If you would like to participate, via Zoom please contact James at gillbillvolume1@yahoo.com.

The **"JOURNEY" at 9:45am**

Location: "Journey" Classroom Room 216. We are reading and discussing a new book, "Faith Beyond Borders", by Don Mosely from Jubilee Partners. Class facilitated by Phil Hale.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Juniors (K-3rd) Class at 9:45am. Taught by Katy Arora and volunteer shepherds meets each week downstairs in the "Temple Courtyard" classroom.

Middlers (4th—7th) Class at 9:45am. Betsy Burmeister facilitates this class downstairs in the "Potter's Workshop" classroom.

Covenant Youth Connection—Sunday, October 27 at 5pm Join us for a Halloween Party with stories, pumpkin carving and a unique worship experience.

THE COVENANT FORUM—

In addition to its many classes and educational opportunities, Covenant is also pleased to host "The Covenant Forum." This class will feature special speakers, panel discussions, and stimulating presentations, bringing together the heart and the mind for the life of faith! These events will be held at least quarterly, on weekday nights or Saturdays. *Check this spot for a new forum in the near future.*

Knitters & Knatters

THURSDAYS AT 2PM.

Join us for a good time of fellowship and fun while making blankets for people recovering from illness and for clients of Highland Hills, Family Promise and Project Safe.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Covenant Food Pantry (Every Thursday) Sign-up to volunteer here:

[https://
www.signupgenius.com/
go/409084AA5AA22A20-covenant#/
/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA5AA22A20-covenant#/)

WAYS TO SERVE @ COVENANT



Please look through these volunteer opportunities coming up at Covenant and sign up if you can help!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Athens Free Clinic @

Covenant Volunteers are needed to welcome the medical team into the church building and to sit at the front desk to greet clients as they arrive for their appointments. Here is the link to sign up for all of our upcoming volunteer spots: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA5AA22A20-athens#/>



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Covenant Cooks "First Tuesday" Dinners

Sign up to volunteer here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA5AA22A20-44868340-serving#/>

DONATIONS NEEDED: For October, the Cedar Shoals Care Center is in need of **highlighters and colored pencils**. You can bring items to the donation table outside the church office OR use this Amazon Wishlist link if you would like to donate and the items will be delivered directly to us at the church office: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SVZ12J14YBNN/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_4

HOLY HAPPY HOUR



JOIN US!

THIRD THURSDAYS • 5 P.M.
OCTOBER 17 • AUTHENTIC BREWING COMPANY
INSIDE TAPROOM • 108 PARK AVE. ATHENS, GA

JOIN US FOR A "HOLY HAPPY HOUR:" A FUN-FILLED REFORMED THEOLOGICAL DISCUSSION!

The Art Of SABBATH

JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE SABBATH PRACTICES THROUGH THE ARTS.
THIS MONTH: "LIFE IS SWEET!"
LEARNING TO DECORATE WITH ROYAL ICING

THURSDAY • NOVEMBER 14 • 5-7 P.M.

LOCATION: COVENANT - FELLOWSHIP HALL
RSVP BY NOVEMBER 5 TO AMY AT
ABAER@COVPRESATHENS.ORG
ALL SUPPLIES WILL BE PROVIDED.

Covenant by the Week!

October 27, 2024—

SUNDAY - 9:30am Nursery
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
11:00am Worship—
12:30pm 12 Step Group
5pm Covenant Youth Connection
6pm Campus Kitchen

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED

6pm Scouts
7:00pm 12 Step Group
7:00pm Bells of NEGA
6pm—8pm Campus Kitchen

TUESDAY Office Open 10am—4pm
11:00am Harmony English Conversation Class
1pm New Horizon Strings Rehearsal
6pm—8pm Campus Kitchen
7pm 12 Step Group Meeting

WEDNESDAY Office Open 10am—4pm
11:30am New Horizons Band in Fellowship Hall
5:30pm Covenant Connection
6pm Handbells Choir
6:15pm Adult Bible Study with Pastor Tom
7:15pm Adult Choir in worship center
7:00pm 12 Step Group—downstairs

THURSDAY Office Open 10am—4pm
9:30am—11am Campus Kitchen
9:30am preparing bags for food distribution
11:30am—1:00pm Pastor's Luncheon
1pm Covenant Food Distribution
2pm Knitters & Knotters
3pm Athens Women's Singing Circle
7pm 12 Step Group Meeting

FRIDAY Office Open 10am—4pm
7pm 12 Step Group Meeting

SATURDAY
10:30am 12 Step Group

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