

THE COVENANTER

June 03, 2018

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(USA)



Kickin' It at Covenant is back again this year! For six Wednesdays in June and July, this is time to learn more about the Bible, share some ice cream, and play games together. On each day, we'll have a Bible lesson and activity starting at 6:30 pm, followed by ice cream at 7, and then indoor and outdoor games afterwards. We'll be kickin' it on ****June 13, 20 and 27**** and then again on ****July 11, 18, and 25****. The theme for this summer's lessons is **DIRT**: learning all about the stuff of God's creation and how God brings good fruits from it (and from us).
*We can't make this happen without help! Each week we'll need to folks to lead the lesson and activity, one person to bring ice cream, and two volunteers to help lead game times. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d44aaa72da7fa7-kickin> or on the sign up sheets in the church hallway. **Kickin' It** is also not just for kids! Adults are welcome, too. We'll have a few board games on hand, but feel free to **BYOG** (bring your own game) starting at 6:30. Questions? Contact Jerry Shannon at jerry@shannons.us or 612-298-0003. Hope to see you there!*

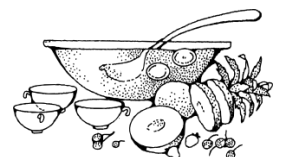
**Interfaith Hospitality Network. Slots are still available!**

The week of **June 3 to 10** gives us the opportunity to provide shelter to our homeless neighbors. We will temporarily host homeless families for IHN at the Day Center close to First Baptist Church. **Now** is the time to sign-up on the board in the hallway across from the church offices. Check the board for the many ways you can serve the LORD by assisting our neighbors in need. An electronic version of the sign-up board is maintained on Covenant's web page (IHN Volunteers spreadsheet), or call the Church office (706 548-2756) to sign up. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

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SUMMER PUNCH AND COOKIES! Sign up on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes to provide refreshing punch and other goodies after the 9:45am worship service beginning **June 3**.
(Please no red punch)



Remember in Prayer: Dell Whitehead's father in failing health in Gainesville; Mrs. Bowen, in a difficult time with her neighbors; Peggy Huff, former Covenant custodian, returning home after a lengthy hospitalization; all those affected by the heavy rains; Jean Gibson, at The Oaks; Pauline Marshall, at Highland Hills; Craig Topple's sister Genia in Atlanta; Bill Willis and Ashley Wolfe, at home.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday	June 04	I Samuel 8	
Tuesday	June 05	I Samuel 11: 14-15	
Wednesday	June 06	Psalms 138	Title: <i>Learning to Be Content</i>
Thursday	June 07	Philippians 4: 8-13 and 19	Theme: As we delight in the
Friday	June 08	Psalms 37: 1-4	Lord, the desires of our heart
Saturday	June 09	James 3: 13-4:10	are fulfilled.
Sunday	June 10	II Corinthians 4: 13-5:1	

WHO'S WHO: Who at Covenant took his cat along on his honeymoon?

To Our Covenant Church Family: Words are inadequate to express the appreciation we have for the love and support we have received from you following the sudden & unexpected death of Stacey Bowden our granddaughter niece, & cousin. At the memorial service for her & the reception afterward we were upheld by your gracious concern for us. We deeply grieve our loss of Stacey's presence with us, but we rejoice that she is now at peace in the spiritual arms of a loving God. Thank you beyond words for the cards, hugs, and other expressions of loving care.

Jim, Jere, Lindsey, Thomas, & Natalie Bowden

2017-18 FINANCIAL REPORT YTD

WEEK #48 05/27/2018

Anticipated Pledges: \$445,632.00

Received Pledges: \$451,201.05

Thank you for your faithful giving!

CARING HANDS FUND: \$1,035.00

WHO'S WHO:
Charlie Huber



The flowers we enjoyed during the worship service last Sunday were sent by Jan Okey's children with love to the congregation.

Here is their message:

"In loving memory of our amazing Mom, Jan Okey. May 24th would have been her birthday. We miss her, but continue to feel her love and support.

Love, Barb Tamm & Jay Okey"

NAME PLUS: Answers are names or nicknames

1. Rush out, with forth: _____

2. College Official: _____

3. Make off with: _____

(see page 3 for answers)

6 Things You're Recycling Wrong—Can you recycle coffee cups or greasy pizza boxes? If you're tossing things in the recycling bin out of sheer hope, you might be an "aspirational recycler." We have all done it: a greasy pizza box, a disposable coffee cup, the odd plastic bag. Sometimes, we want things to be recyclable, so we put them in the recycling bin. Waste managers often call this wishful or aspirational recycling. But, unfortunately, putting these objects in with the rest of the recycling can do more harm than good. While rules differ in every municipality (<https://www.athensclarkecounty.com/209/Recycling-Waste-Reduction>), we have picked out some key offenders to keep in mind. Too many of these items will contaminate a batch of recycling. That means waste managers might not be able to find buyers for the materials — especially now that China, one of the world's main importers of recyclable waste, has said it will reject shipments that are more than 0.5 percent impure. Contaminated loads could be sent to the landfill instead. Pizza boxes (greasy), disposable coffee cups, plastic bags, yogurt cups, (and other plastic containers) or diapers cannot be recycled. Oily take out containers *after being thoroughly rinsed* can be recycled. *Caren Snook* for the Green Dream Team



In gratitude for your friendship
Jubilee Partners
 invites you and your family for
FREE BLUEBERRY PICKING



Please come on any *two* of the following dates:

Tuesday, June 19, 5pm-dark

Saturday, July 7, from 9:30am-noon

Tuesday, June 26, 5pm-dark

Monday, July 9 from 5pm-dark

Tuesday, July 3, 5pm- dark

Tuesday, July 17, 5pm- dark.

Jubilee is located a 1/2 mile south of downtown Comer on Hwy. 22 at 427 Jubilee Rd.

**What to bring: this coupon, picking buckets,
 and close-toed shoes.**

Please print your name here for our records:

in your party _____

Your employer/church _____

Our next **Restaurant Roadtrip** is **Tuesday, June 12**, at 11:30am, as we drive south of Greensboro to "Gaby's on the Lake" at the Ritz-Carlton/Reynolds resort. **Carpools leave at 10am** from the church, and we'll *hopefully be back before 2pm*. Bring some extra money & check out the lunch menu on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. We'll be in partial shade – so bring sunglasses. Please signup in advance – so we can make reservations. Hope you can join us!



Answers to Names Plus: 1. Sally; 2. Dean; 3. Rob



For the month of JUNE Covenant is collecting for the AAEBF:
SALTINES, and canned PORK & BEANS
 and as always brown paper bags.

Thank you Covenant and may we all have enough!

Who wants to pick some blueberries, blackberries, & mulberries? A former Covenant youth & youth director, Laura Pallas, and her husband Cameron Phillips from Australia have begun Buffalo Creek Berry Farm in Lexington, north of Hwy.78. Website: www.bcberryfarmga.com. It's their first crop of berries, and they need lots of help picking them, in June & July. Perhaps we can turn this into a fund-raiser for a good Covenant ministry? Or you can pick-your-own at \$12/gallon. You can also take home the bucket (\$1) or bring your own containers. Berries will keep well, refrigerated 5 days. So if you'd like to participate, on **Saturday, June 16, from 10am-noon**, please SIGNUP on the bulletin board. We'll have more information in early June.



Litter is a BIG problem in Clarke County.

You can help solve the problem by stopping by the Green Dream Team bulletin board and picking up a "Litter Hot Line" that sticks to the back of your cell phone. Then,

when you see someone tossing litter from their car, get the license # and call the "Litter Hotline" (706-613-3506).

Covenant's Coffee House

Tuesday, July 24th at 6:30pm

Share your talents! Covenant members and friends are so gifted—please indulge us with your gifts! Sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes.



The **10:00 Wednesday morning Bible Study** will continue this summer, using the DVD, "Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land through the 5 Books of Moses," with video of Egypt & Israel and narration by author Bruce Feiler.

You're welcome to join in the good discussion!



5th Sunday Worship Experience -
The NEXT 5th SUNDAY is July 29! We will combine a mixture of the summer experiences of our young people as they participate in VBS "Maker's Fun Factory", "Kickin' It at Covenant" and the Middle and High School Summer Conferences.

Child Liturgist (10:45 Service) 3rd - 5th graders lead the *Call to Worship* each Sunday.

Instructions: The bulletin will be emailed by the end of the week on your week. Practice with your child. During the "Voluntary" of the worship service, the liturgist may join the pastors in the chancel. To begin, your child can invite the congregation, "Please join me in the Call to Worship." *Need to switch weeks? Please do so with someone who is leading in weeks after your child and let the office know.* Summer NOTE: As we move into the summer months, child liturgists will come on a volunteer basis. If you would like your child to lead the call to worship over the summer, contact Karen in the office and let her know which Sundays work for your family.

WoRM Teachers and Shepherds for the 2018/2019 year are needed. Be part of the privilege and joy of nurturing the faith of our children, helping to fulfill our baptismal vows. If you have any interest in being part on a regular basis during the next school year, please speak with Craig or anyone on Christian Ed. We will plan together and come up with a rotation that works for all of us and meets needs of our children. WoRM is great way to *"let the little children come unto me."* - Jesus

YOUTH NEWS!

Thanks to all who helped the youth programming throughout the school year!

We look forward to summer activities including:

Montreat High School Conference, June 3-9 (Please keep our youth and leaders in your prayers)

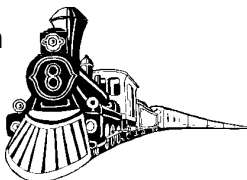
Massanetta Middle School Conference, June 21-24

Youth Leader retreat - TBD

The Cave - Covenant's free after school program for middle and high school students Fridays 3:45-5:30 during the school year continues to be an important mission, a success by many measures including volunteer opportunities, and a healthy place for youth to gather on Friday afternoons. It really makes a positive difference. *Thank you volunteers who make this program happen! And a huge **Thank you** to Christina Cotsakis Cordon, Cave Manager, for your amazing gifts offered for this program!!*

The Train's are Running!

Saturday, June 9, 8:30am—5pm
Maurice & Caren Snook
160 Plantation Drive, Athens
Everyone Welcome!



The Tweedell girls are willing and able to do house, pet, plant and babysitting this summer.

Contact DeLynda (706-540-2473)
for their cell numbers.

THANKS



Letter of Appreciation to Worship Volunteers

As we transition to our summer worship schedule, we'd like to pause and thank all who offered their time and talent to our worship experience during the last year. The Worship Ministry Team is thankful for the Sunday morning greeters, the ushers, those who read scripture, those who offer their artistic talents with voice or instrument, or dance; those who provide floral arrangements, those who plan for and prepare our youth for meaningful involvement in worship, those who create liturgical art in the narthex, those who prepare and serve our communion elements, those who tidy the worship center following worship, and those who open and close the building on Sunday. In truth, worship involves all of us and sharing the responsibilities that contribute to a meaningful worship service, and to the comfort of all who participate is a joyful experience. On behalf of the Worship Ministry Team, we thank you for each and every contribution to worship at Covenant. We hope that our joy and appreciation is but a small reflection of the connection you feel to Covenant's corporate worship.

The floral arrangement in worship today is given in honor of all those that contribute to our life of worship.



June Birthdays

1 Allisyn Johnson	14 Ellie McMinn	21 Kurt Wolfe	25 Tom Cooney
3 Natalie Bowden	Garrett Devaney	23 Aly Huberty	Scott Goodrick
5 Larry Hatfield	17 Ben Bruner	24 Greg Huberty	Martha Willis
7 Bill Rigsby	Micah Shannon	Susan Nemetz	27 Hanna Harper
John Centner	18 Ron VanSickle	Ed Ralph	28 Barbara Engram
Ethan Whitney	Kate Stam	Rebecca Rea	Dick Page
8 Judy Capie	19 Mark Cervero	Wesley Bowden	Craig Topple
Frederick Ritzler	Carrie Tweedell	Emma Goodrick	29 Betsy Burmeister
11 Jason Covert	20 Marilyn Martin	30 Cliff Brock	
13 Robyn Malone	June Meyers		
Elliot Stam	Linda Morrison		
Larson Rea	Pat Tinga		
	Brad Sperr		
	Jessica Fraedrich		



I am a Starlet Competition Twirler, and I will be traveling to South Bend, Indiana to compete in the NBTA's National Twirling Championship this July. After working hard all year, I won the Beginner Junior Miss Majorette of Georgia Pageant, qualifying me for this competition. I am very excited for this opportunity to compete along with some of the best twirlers in the country representing the state of Georgia in my division. I am seeking donations of any amount to help me with the expenses of traveling to nationals this summer. Donations from family, friends, and businesses will be recognized on the back of our 2018-19 Starlet tee shirts. These shirts will be worn by over 50 girls as they perform all over the area. I would GREATLY APPRECIATE any sponsorship that you can give!

Thank you,

Carrie Tweedell

Please fill out the form below and return to:

Polly Fleming

1741 Athens Rd.

Crawford, Ga 30630

Make checks payable to: Polly Fleming

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Business Name: _____ Email: _____

Contact Number: _____

Amount of Sponsorship: _____



WEEK OF June 3, 2018

SUNDAY- IHN BEGINS (hosting downtown at the day center)

Leaders & Youth at the Montreat Youth Conference, NC

8:30am Journey Class

9:45am Worship

11:00am Punch and Cookies

1:30pm—2:30pm Debtors Anonymous

3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

MONDAY- OFFICE CLOSED

8am Covenant Breakfast Club at Cracker Barrel on Epps Bridge Road

TUESDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

1:30pm Grief Recovery—Upper Room (Patti Priester)

8pm New Freedom in FH

WEDNESDAY-

10am Adult Bible Study

THURSDAY-

2:00pm Knitters & Knotters

6:30pm—8:00pm YOGA

7:00pm Celebrate Recovery (Mary McGarity)

FRIDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY—

Fellowship Hall Cleaned

WEEK OF June 10, 2018

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9:45am Worship

11:00am Punch and Cookies

1:30pm—2:30pm Debtors Anonymous

3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

MONDAY- OFFICE CLOSED

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9:30am Athens Mother's Center

10:00am-2:00pm-Restaurant Roadtrip to "Gaby's," Ritz-Carlton/
Reynolds, Greensboro

1:30pm Grief Recovery—Upper Room (Patti Priester)

8pm New Freedom

WEDNESDAY-

10am Adult Bible Study

6:30pm—8:00pm **KICKIN IT** at Covenant

THURSDAY-

10am Committee on Ministry Meeting in Conference Room

2:00pm Knitters & Knotters

6:30pm—8:00pm YOGA

7:00pm Celebrate Recovery (Mary McGarity)

8pm Happy Squares in FH

FRIDAY-

9:30am Athens Mother's Center

8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY— 9am—12pm Boy Scout Staff Training in FH

9am Women's Prayer Breakfast at EFBC

10am—noon Berry Picking at Buffalo Creek Berry Farm

WORSHIP—June 3, 2018

9:45am—

Liturgist—

Reader: Terry Centner

Ushers: Kent Silver, Marie Ballard-Myer, Shirley Reinert, Betsy Pless

Greeters: Bob Brewster, Sarah Lamb, Alice McMaster

Congregational Care: Paula Zimdars

Counters: Pam Knox, Bill Barstow

Punch & Cookies: Luanne Rigsby

Flowers: Julie Bower

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Alan Edwards

Close the Building: Phil Koehler

Grounds Stewards: Hank Tweedell (June 4—10)

Nursery/Super: Don Bower

Birth—Walking: Don Bower

Walking—5 years old: Adam & Rebecca Rea, Megan Sperr

WORSHIP—June 10, 2018

9:45am—

Liturgist—

Reader: John Chamblee

Ushers: Heide & Juergen Wiegel, Hank, DeLynda & Carrie Tweedell

Greeters: Phil & Linda Koehler, Donny Whitehead

Congregational Care: Paula Zimdars

Counters: Sue Loegel, Paige Campbell

Punch & Cookies: DeLynda Tweedell

Flowers: TBD

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Steve Bell

Close the Building: Hank Tweedell

Grounds Stewards: Ed Ralph (June 11—17)

Nursery/Super: Pam Knox

Birth—Walking: Pam Knox

Walking—5 years old: Megan Sperr, Chuck Rosenberger,
Lindsey Bowden