

THE COVENANTER September 08, 2019

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



TODAY—

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

WORSHIP

8:30 AM

RALLY DAY BREAKFAST 9:15am

Join us for a continental breakfast courtesy of the
Fellowship Ministry Team.

OPENING PROGRAM

9:45 AM

Our Covenant family gathers for a time of singing, scripture, and devotion for all ages. Mary Barnett & Sarah Shannon, CE Co-Chairs, will say a few words about the Christian Education Ministries, and our Adult Church School teachers will introduce their studies. Enjoy this time for visiting too!

CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

10:45 AM

with commissioning of our Christian School Teachers, Covenant Connection Leaders,
and Youth Group Leaders

COVERED
DISH LUNCH

Retirees of all ages & stages enjoy active fellowship & renewing friendships. Join us on second Tuesdays monthly for a delicious Covered Dish Luncheon, an engaging program, and lots of fun and conversation. Bring your favorite dish to share.

Beverages are provided.

Our next date is **September 10 at 12:30pm**, in Fellowship Hall, with Jacob Douylliez, Covenant's new Director of Music.

COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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All women of the church are
welcome to Presbyterian
Women Bible Study beginning
Thursday, September 12th at

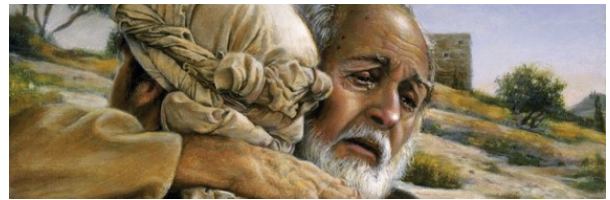
9:30am. Please pick up the PCUSA

Horizons Study Guide (\$11.00), entitled "**Love Carved in Stone**" and written by Eugenia Anne Gamble, in the copy room. Please read the introduction and chapter 1. Discussion will start promptly at 9:30am and fellowship and goodies will follow. Come and learn about God's love letter to us.

Remember in Prayer: Family & friends of Covenant member Maurine Wathen, upon her death Sept.3, from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma discovered this summer – a memorial service will be held at Covenant on Sun.Sept.22 at 3pm; Katharine Himley recovering from back surgery, Sept.5; Junan Crisler's son Jack's mother-in-law, now in hospice care, and Junan's brother Jeff & wife Cindy in TX, as he lives with heart conditions & stroke, Parkinson's, and now a broken hip; Jere Bowden's sister Jan hospitalized in Atlanta, slowly recovering from open heart surgery Aug.21; Anna Holshouser, moved to Comer Health & Rehab Center for infection & advanced Parkinson's; Beth Nunnally, recovering from gallbladder surgery Sept.3; John Scott, recovering from a knee replacement Aug.26; Paige Campbell's sister, after a breast biopsy; John Brewer, having positive results from a new drug for prostate cancer; all those affected & suffering from recent natural disasters like Hurricane Dorian, including friends & family of Paige Cummings on the GA coast; the challenge & man-made disaster of gun violence, locally & globally, which affects us all; prayers for those who must work on Sundays; the task of caring for all creation during our crisis of climate change, and celebrating what help solar energy & other efforts can contribute; prayers and practical support options for our homeless neighbors, at the church and around town, especially as winter approaches; Sally Boardman, John Brewer, Beda Cain, and Elsie Bothwell, at home.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday	Sept. 09	Psalm 14
Tuesday	Sept. 10	Psalm 15
Wednesday	Sept. 11	Psalm 16
Thursday	Sept. 12	Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28
Friday	Sept. 13	I Timothy 1: 12-17
Saturday	Sept. 14	Luke 15: 1-10
Sunday	Sept. 15	Luke 15: 11-32



COVENANT CONNECTION KICK-OFF!!

Come join us for a dazzling night of
hands-on science
with Maurice Snook presenting:
CHEMISTRY OF SPACE RIGHT HERE ON EARTH!

Wednesday, September 11

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

*Be prepared to be amazed, shocked, delighted, confounded,
surprised, and astounded!*

Dinner will be pizza, drinks, and ice cream cones.

Our regular Wednesday schedule will
begin on September 18.

Sign up today at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4ca9ab23a3f49-covenant>
to help Rindy with Servant Time and to make
birthday cupcakes. *Thank you!*

2019-2020 Financial Summary

Week #9

Anticipated Pledges: \$80,269.61

Actual Pledges: \$75,431.79

For the month of

September

Covenant will collect for the Athens
Area Emergency Food Bank these
food items:

**Canned Pasta (ie: beef ravioli,
Spaghetti O's and etc),**

Saltine Crackers

and

As always brown paper bags.

Thank you Covenant

An easy ride near the church! Come and join us at Keba Sandwiches (behind Walgreens) on Barnett Shoals Road, for the next **Restaurant Roadtrip** gathering, on Tuesday, Sept.17, at 11:30am. Great food, fun, and fellowship! Meet you there – NO carpool this time. Separate checks. Please signup on the bulletin board though, to let us know you're attending.



Lunch Bunch

DePalma's Italian Restaurant
(eastside)

Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 11:30am

Join us for a great time of food and fellowship. Separate checks!

KNITTERS AND KNOTTERS

Join us on Thursdays at 2pm for a great time of fellowship and ministry as we join together to make blankets, hats, scarves, pillows, etc. for those in need. Everyone is invited, beginners welcome! See Pat Tinga for more information.



Covenant Breakfast Club

Monday, September 16th at

8am. Cracker Barrel on Epps Bridge Road. Join us for a good time of conversation and food.

SHORT TALK. Supply the initials for the following: ex. Sandwich favorite. Ans. BLT

1. Cares for your choppers
2. New Deal president
3. Team standout

By Marilyn Brown

Answers to **SHORT TALK:**
1. DDS 2. FDR 3. MVP

JOURNEY CLASS—facilitated by Steve Bell - Sunday, Sept. 08 at 9:30am—Climate Church, *Climate World argues that climate change is the greatest moral challenge humanity has ever faced. Hunger, refugees, poverty, inequality, deadly viruses, war—climate change multiplies all forms of global social injustice. Environmental leader Rev. Jim Antal presents a compelling case that it's time for the church to meet this moral challenge.*

The Nautilus Class will meet September 15 for a light breakfast and overview of our study of Barbara Brown Taylor's books, *An Altar in the World*. It's a practical guide for how we can follow through on the benediction we hear each Sunday to "Go and be Christ's Church in the world." We've reached out to Professor Taylor to join us at some point this Fall.



The CAVE -

Come and serve in this ministry of presence on Friday afternoons with our neighborhood youth!

The Cave is an on-site ministry every Friday afternoon hosted by Covenant and volunteers from UGA and various campus ministries. We provide space for kids to play basketball, video games, hang out

with friends, have snacks, and generally have a loving and safe place to be after school as the weekend begins. We'd love to have you join as a weekly volunteer, a regular volunteer, or even as a sub on the volunteer sub list. If you have any questions about the actual program, please contact the Cave program coordinator Dibenhi Reyna at dibenhi.reyna@gmail.com. If you want to sign up as a volunteer, please tell Paige Campbell drpaigec@gmail.com, Steve Rathbun srathbun@uga.edu, or Mark Harper mharper@covpresathens.org. The Cave program began August 23 from 3:30-5:30pm.

WHO'S WHO at Covenant? Who at Covenant once considered becoming a horse jockey?

WHO'S WHO:
Jacob Douylliez



New Pictorial Directory! September 26, 27 & 28

Sign up for your family portrait today! Everyone who participates will receive a complimentary 8x10 professional family portrait, one printed directory, smart phone app, and online directory. All appointments are on a first-come, first-serve basis, so make your appointment today. We need everyone to participate to help make this directory complete. Additional quality family portraits will be offered at competitive prices. Thank you for your participation! Quick Tip for your photos: Please avoid wearing green, as we will be using Green Screen Technology to photograph (Like what they use in action and superhero movies!) Please click the following link to make an appointment:

<https://www.appointmentquest.com/scheduler/2220147538.1?schedule=covenantpresbyterianchurch>

or call to set an appointment: 1-877-896-9667 ext. 360.

*****IMPORTANT***** When on the website to schedule an appointment, *an email address is required to go to the next page and confirm the appointment, so anyone who doesn't have an email address can use: dfox@theportraitcafe.com*. You can see the attachment titled "How to Make an Appointment Online for easy step-by-step instructions.

Please check your contact info in the large notebook on the table in the gathering room. Correct or add anything that you wish to appear in the new directory. If everything is okay then just place a check mark beside your information. Thank you!

TerraCycle #1 Super Star: Toothbrush, Toothpaste Tubes & Floss Containers!

Covenant has been collecting toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and floss containers since 2012. During the past 7 years, Colgate has paid the postage to ship 16 large cartons of these items to TerraCycle. In addition, Colgate has paid the Green Dream Team a total of \$142.92. The GDT has used this money to pay the postage to ship boxes of plastic packaging for which TerraCycle has no corporate sponsor. So, if you find TerraCycle confusing, and can concentrate on saving only 1 kind of packaging, the best things you can save are toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and floss containers. *Caren Snook for the Green Dream Team*

YOUTH KICK-OFF POOL PARTY!

Sunday, September 8

This year Bill Barstow, 375 Sandstone Drive, is hosting the YOUTH Kick-Off Pool Party 5pm—7pm.



All middle schoolers, high schoolers and their parents are invited to the kick-off of our youth group year! While the youth swim, parents will meet briefly to learn more about plans for the upcoming year and to sign necessary permission forms for participation in youth group activities.

For dinner we will enjoy pizza, drinks, and ice cream sandwiches.

**WITNESS SUNDAY
& LUNCHEON**

**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 22,
2019**

**MORE INFO TO
FOLLOW!**

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU to everyone who contributed bags of mulch for the Children's Jubilee Play Yard! 74 bags of mulch were spread on the play yard. *Preschool/Playground Committee*

"JUBILEE PLAYGROUND" ENHANCEMENTS – The following items are desired to enhance the usefulness and beauty of the newly installed YOUNG CHILDREN'S JUBILEE PLAYGROUND at Covenant Presbyterian Church. The Session-designated early childhood playground design committee believes these optional additions will strengthen the presence as well as effective use of this new facility and its immediate surroundings. Please consider making a contribution.

Benches, 1 to 3, to place inside playground fencing for use by supervising adults

Mulch, 2 cubic foot bags, up to 40, for spreading outside the fence to prevent adjacent areas from turning to mud after rains

Square step stones, 16" gray, 17 for widening the breezeway sidewalk out to the new backyard steps

Portland pavers, 60, to extend walkway from stairs out of the WoRM building to playground

Landscape shrubbery, in 1 – 5 gallon containers, compatible with shade garden growth and blooming

Daffodil bulbs, to plant for blossoming with each new Spring



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Sept. 8 8:30am & 10:45am Worship

9:15am, RALLY DAY light breakfast
& CE presentation

Tuesday, Sept. 10 12:30pm, Graduates Luncheon with Jacob Douylliez

Wednesday, Sept. 11 5:30-7:00pm, Covenant Connection resumes with Maurice Snook presenting,
CHEMISTRY OF SPACE RIGHT HERE ON EARTH!

Thursday, Sept. 12 9:30am, Presbyterian Women's Bible Study

Sunday, Sept. 15 8:30am Worship 9:30am, Church School for all ages
10:45am Worship

12:15pm Retirement Luncheon for Beecher

(please sign up on the bulletin board next to the mailboxes today so we have a
good head count for lunch.)



PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP WITH FEAST ON Sept 21! Covenant Presbyterian Church in conjunction with other local churches will join together to distribute food from the Food Bank of NEGA to our neighbors. If you would like to volunteer please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway next to the mailboxes. Volunteers will need to arrive as early as 7:00 am with the distribution itself beginning at 9 a.m. for approximately 200 people. It is estimated that we will wrap things up around 10:30 a.m. If you are interested in participating in FEAST please visit our sign-up sheet in the hallway. For more information contact Sue Rathbun, Nancy Omdahl, Ed Ralph or Mark Harper. *Let us pray for God's continued blessing on this ecumenical effort in our community!*

WEEK OF September 08, 2019—**SUNDAY— RALLY DAY**

8:30am Worship
 9:15am Rally Day Brunch
 9:45am Opening Program
 10:45am Worship with CE Commissioning
 2:30pm Debtors Anonymous
 3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous
 5pm YOUTH & Parents Kick-Off Pool Party at Bill Barstow's

MONDAY— OFFICE CLOSED

6:30pm Scouts

TUESDAY-

9:30am Athens Mothers Center
 12:30pm Graduates Covered Dish Luncheon with Jacob Douylliez
 8pm New Freedom

WEDNESDAY—

8:30am—9:30am AA
 10am Adult Bible Study with Mark Harper
 5:30pm—7pm Covenant Connection Kick Off!
 7:30pm Adult Choir
 7:30pm LAG

THURSDAY—

9:30am—11am Presbyterian Women's Bible Study in gathering room

9:30am Exams 11am COM
 2pm Knitters & Knotters
 6:30pm—8pm YOGA
 7:30pm Happy Squares 7:30pm CR

FRIDAY-

9:30am Athens Mothers Center 3:30pm The Cave
 8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY— 9:00am EFBC women's prayer breakfast
 Fellowship Hall Cleaned & set up for reception/luncheon

WORSHIP—September 08, 2019**8:30am**

Reader: Wayne Crowell Coffee: Sharon Edwards

Ushers: Judy Capie

10:45am

Reader: Luanne Rigsby

Ushers: Jim & Dorothy Newland, Dick Zimdars, Stephanie Cahill,
 Betsy Pless

Greeters: Tim & Karen Foutz

Congregational Care: Luanne Rigsby

Counters: Randy Parish & Pam Knox

Flowers: Juergen Wiegel

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Alan Edwards

Close the Building: Phil Koehler

Grounds Stewards: Alex Clark (Sept. 9-15)

Nursery/Super: Marie Ballard Myer

Birth—Walking: Marie Ballard Myer

Walking—5 years old: Sarah Shannon, Tamara Stam, Tim Foutz

WEEK OF September 15, 2019—**SUNDAY—**

8:30am Worship
 9:30 Church School for all
 10:45am Worship
 12:15pm Retirement Luncheon for Beecher
 2:30pm Debtors Anonymous
 3:30pm Overeaters Anonymous
 5pm—7pm Youth Groups

MONDAY— 8am Covenant's Breakfast Club at Cracker Barrel

OFFICE CLOSED

6:30pm Scouts

TUESDAY-

9:30am Athens Mothers Center
 11:30am Restaurant Road Trip to KEBA
 5pm—6pm Diabetes Clinic
 8pm New Freedom

WEDNESDAY—

8:30am—9:30am AA
 10am Adult Bible Study with Mark Harper
 5:30pm—7pm Covenant Connection
 6:30pm—7:30pm Evening Adult Bible Study with Rindy Trouteaud
 7:30pm Adult Choir
 7:30pm LAG

THURSDAY—

2pm Knitters & Knotters
 6:30pm—8pm YOGA
 7:30pm Worship Ministry Team Meeting
 7:30pm Happy Squares (business meeting)
 7:30pm CR

FRIDAY-

9:30am Athens Mothers Center
 3:30pm The Cave
 8pm New Freedom

SATURDAY— 7:00am FEAST Food Truck Distribution
 Fellowship Hall Cleaned

WORSHIP—September 15, 2019**8:30am**

Reader: Dianne Simpson

Ushers: Wayne Crowell, Cheryl Devaney

10:45am

Reader: Marcia Verbrugge

Ushers: Susan & Randy Parish, Bill Rigsby, Jim McMinn, Katy Terry

Greeters: Sarah Lamb & Bob Brewster

Congregational Care: Luanne Rigsby

Counters: Katy Perry, Paige Campbell

Flowers: Juergen Wiegel

Plant Care: Frank Allen

Open the Building: Phil Koehler

Close the Building: Hank Tweedell

Grounds Stewards: Wayne Crowell (Sept. 16-22)

Nursery/Super: Valerie Stone

Birth—Walking: Valerie Stone

Walking—5 years old: Brian & Eli Stone, Mike Swanson