

THE COVENANTER

June 14, 2020

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. Please click here to view Covenants Worship Service, Sunday, June 14th :

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCkRp1t3MnecoYXnds4X03A>

Prayer Concerns: Mike Swanson out of ICU and on the Neuro Critical Care floor, undergoing treatment for cancer; All those high schoolers and leaders who missed the Montreat Youth Conference this past week; our food insecure neighbors who did not have access to our food pantry last week because of COVID-19 concerns; Our Nation, for protesters, police, elected officials and church leaders; John, Mary Sue, & Elizabeth Brewer with health issues; the Sardis Presbyterian Church in Jefferson; for those who are affected by the COVID-19 illness, as well as their caregivers, our healthcare professionals, government leaders and those who are working around the clock to minimize the impact of this virus; Ginger Davis-Beck undergoing cancer treatments; Paula Zimdars undergoing radiation treatment; Anne Page in rehab at Heritage; Pauline Marshall at Highland Hills #112; & Anna Holshouser at home.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS— June 15—21

Monday	Psalms 86: 1-10, 16-17
Tuesday	Psalms 88
Wednesday	Psalms 89: 1-18
Thursday	Genesis 21: 1-8
Friday	Genesis 21: 9-21
Saturday	Romans 6: 1b-11
Sunday	Matthew 10: 24-39



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—END OF YEAR—
GIVING
STATEMENTS

We are coming to the close of Covenant's fiscal year, 2019/2020 . If you would like a copy of your giving statement please email Karen at kwetherington@covpresathens.org. or call the church office. A copy can be sent electronically or post mail.

Join Covenants' NETFLIX PARTY And Movie Challenge

Watch the movie *Back to the Future* with your church family.

During the movie, you can take the movie challenge and answer trivia questions based on scenes selected by the Fellowship committee members.

After the movie, join our ZOOM meeting to discuss the trivia questions. Certificates will be distributed based on how many questions you got right.



When: Saturday June 20th at 7 pm

SO GRAB YOUR POPCORN AND JOIN IN BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS
(instructions are given below)

You will need to be able to watch the movie on a computer

- Before Friday June 19th at 5 pm, you need to send your email address to foutz.tim@gmail.com and let him know that you wish to join the party. Be sure to send the email that you will monitor for the movie link
- Make sure your computer has Chrome and you have the Netflix Party Chrome extension (see below)
 - ONLY Chrome on a computer will work with NETFLIX party. (TV access is not available).
- Between 4 and 5 pm on June 20th, you will receive an email with two links. One will be for connecting to the movie and the other will be for the ZOOM meeting held after the movie. The trivia questions will be included but no cheating by looking up answers before watching the movie.
- At the movie time (given above) 1) Click the NETFLIX link that will be sent to you by email, 2) Click on the Netflix Party icon and 3) Start watching the movie
- The Trivia Questions are based on movie scenes, so be prepared to find the answers as you watch the movie (Be aware that a few of the questions are based on what is happening in the scene's background).
- Join a ZOOM meeting immediately after the movie when we will discuss the answers to the trivia questions. If you are competitive you can see how well you did compared to other church members.
- Church officials will acknowledge your movie proficiency by sending you a Certificate.

To get the Netflix part extension

Visit netflixparty.com in your Google Chrome browser. Click **Get Netflix Party** for free. You'll be redirected to the Google Chrome web store page to download the **extension**. Click Add to Chrome. A pop-up box will open. Select Add **Extension**. You'll now see a grey NP icon in your browser toolbar.

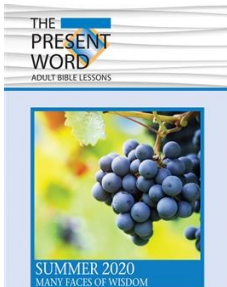
Sponsored by the Fellowship Committee



During the Covid-19 crisis we are scheduling online opportunities to grow in discipleship. Church school classes for all ages, midweek studies, and youth group programs from Montreat are available online, and the links to these opportunities which require ZOOM invitations may be viewed weekly on our church website: covpresathens.org. Please make it a habit to check the website often for links to our weekly newsletter and other communications, online giving, and our Sunday morning virtual worship services!

An Update About Our Virtual Ministries for Children and Adults

After exploring virtual VBS options, we will make available for families of preschoolers - 5th graders, weekly activities and resources created by Illustrated Ministry, *Compassion, Learning to Love Like God*. Beginning this week envelopes of stories and activities will be mailed weekly to families. Questions? Please contact Rindy Trouteaud, rindy@trouteaud.com.



The Summer 2020 copies of *The Present Word* curriculum for adults have arrived! If you would like a copy so that you may participate in the Sunday virtual Upper Room class hosted by James Malone and facilitated by various class volunteers, please contact the church office to arrange a pick-up of your book during our drive-thru Food Pantry hours, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-4 p.m.

Let's Lift Our Voices Together!

As the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions to shelter-in-place continue, we would like to make available copies of our hymnal, *Glory to God*, for those who would like to join in the singing of hymns during our virtual worship services on You Tube. If you would like a copy to keep in your home, please contact the church office to arrange a pick-up of your book during our drive-thru Food Pantry hours, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-4 p.m.



HOW TO GIVE. There is a new online giving option through the Presbyterian Foundation at this link <http://covpresathens.org/wp/contributions/> . Or you can click on this link www.covpresathens.org and click on online giving. And as always you can mail your check to the church office. Thank you for your faithful giving!

FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE - Week #49

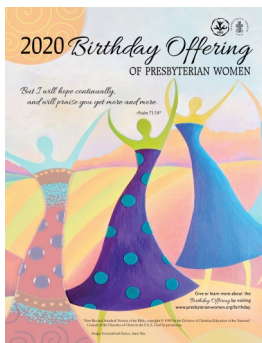
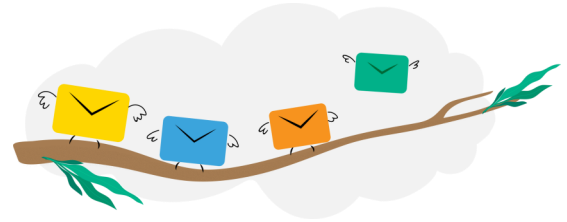
Anticipated Pledges \$437,023.47

Actual Pledges \$428,564.45

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Anne Page is currently in rehab at Heritage Athens, Room 604. 960 Hawthorne Avenue Athens, GA 30606.

She would love to receive cards from her Covenant family.



Congratulations to the women of Covenant Presbyterian Church. The Birthday Offering that our P.W. group collected was \$646.20 and was sent to our P.W. NEGA treasurer for distribution. This year the Birthday Offering will go to GAP Ministries of Augusta, GA. Click on this link if you would like to learn more about GAP Ministries. <http://www.gapministriesaugusta.org/>

Thank, thank, thank you for all of the love, cards, prayers, food and support sent to me and Gabe in recent days. We continue to feel well and look forward to being a little more "out there" soon. We are grateful for life and breath! *Mark*



The Covenant coffee closet still has lots of coffee, tea, and hot chocolate ! Although the regular office hours and services are suspended, the church is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the Food Pantry from 1 - 4 PM. *Please call the church office at 706-548-2756 and place your order and when you would like to pick it up. A food pantry volunteer will hand your order as you drive through the parking lot.* In this time of uncertainty, let's not forget the hard working farmers and their families who depend on the Equal Exchange folks to buy their coffee at a Fair Price !!!

Any questions please contact Sandy Whitney at sandrawhitney08@gmail.com.

Worship and Music Virtual Conference

June 21-26, 2020

There is still time to [register](#) for this exciting online conference!

The Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM) is so excited to be able to host a Worship and Music Conference, even amid the challenges these days. The online conference is almost here! We are joyful to be gathering together virtually, “**From Every Time and Place,**” **June 21-26**, with the same spirit we would bring when we have gathered together in-person at Montreat for the past 50 years.



Join us online this summer!

- *Live Worship and Interactive Worship Reflections*
- *Masterclasses and programs with choral and handbell clinicians*
- *“Montreat Moments” throughout the day - even ice cream at The Huck!*
- *Daily Concerts, including the Organ Recital and Hymn Festival*
- *Save money on travel, lodging, and even the registration rate!*

Join us from every time and place for our online conference!

Visit www.presbysmusic.org/2020conference to learn more.



Piedmont Urgent Care is now offering both Covid-19 tests, and antibody tests for everyone, with test results available in 6 hours. Please contact Piedmont Urgent Care for further information.

If you need a helping hand or (just someone to reach out to you) during "Sheltering in Place due to the Covid-19 pandemic, please contact Congregational Care Ministry Team and we will do our best to be of assistance. Let us know of your needs by either calling Luanne Rigsby at (706) 769-1066 (home) or (706) 224-3828 (cell) or emailing her at luannerigsby@gmail.com or Don Bower at dbower@uga.edu.





Jesus said, "You give them something to eat."

Covenant's Emergency Food Pantry

Members, and friends of Covenant have been giving generously of their time and talents to the Emergency Food Pantry. As you can imagine, the need is great.

Covenant's Emergency Food Pantry will be starting up again on Tuesday, June 16th after taking a week off to reassess our safety procedures. New procedures will be in place in order to keep our volunteers and neighbors safe. All current Food Pantry volunteers have received specific information about these new procedures. Please see below information if you are interested in volunteering with the Emergency Food Pantry.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

STAY SAFE—If there is any reason at all that you should NOT physically volunteer-consider the following:

Make a financial donation to the Food Pantry by sending a check to Covenant and write "food pantry" in the subject line. *(You could send it in at the same time you send in your pledge).*

We can use grocery bags (paper or plastic), and small boxes to pack the food. If you call the church, someone could even come out to your car and get it.

If you are able to physically be present as a volunteer:

Click the link below for an easy sign up or call or email Betsy Pless 540-1719
bppless@gmail.com

You can just sign up for 1 day, or for multiple days. You can also share the 3-hour time slot with 2 friends!

HOW TO SIGN UP: Please sign up for Covenant Food Pantry!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/login/entry/611848298042>

2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com)

3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.



For the month of May Covenant served **469** food insecure households. This number includes 280 children and 100 senior citizens. Total number of individual people served was 1,082. *Thank you Covenant Volunteers and all those who have contributed so generously to this ministry!*