



So You Know!



Sunday, October 27, 2013
Community Covenant Church
400 Pleasant Street, East Bridgewater, MA 02333
(508) 583-3360 www.communitycovenant.com

THIS WEEK

Today	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
Tuesday	Mending the Soul Training	7:00 pm
Wed	Choir Rehearsal	7:15 pm
Friday	Covenant KIDS CLUB	7:00 pm
	Confirmation Class	7:00 pm
Saturday	Men's Breakfast	7:00 am
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MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 2nd 7:00 am

All men are invited to the Men's Breakfast at 7:00 am on Saturday, November 2nd. Please notify Tom Chiocca at 508-824-5717 by Thursday, October 31st if you are planning to come.



DON'T FORGET: TURN CLOCKS *BACK* ONE HOUR

Eastern Standard time begins
at 2:00 am on Sunday,
November 3rd

TAKE-BACK-THE-FIELD DAY

November 2nd 8:00-8:30 am

Following Men's Breakfast

Volunteers are needed to "push back" the encroaching brush behind the church for two or three hours.

Please bring gloves, wheel barrows, chain saws, loppers, Kobota tractors, etc...

Please contact Paul Halleran if you have any questions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



This Christmas, you can share the love and hope of Jesus Christ with a needy child in a country like Uganda or El Salvador by using a simple shoebox. Brochures with complete details are available in the Narthex.

The Children love to receive personal notes in their boxes. You can even send them a picture of you and your family. I encourage every family to participate this year. Remember "your shoebox" could be the box to bring a child and even their family to Christ. What a gift and blessing to pass around the World. All shoe boxes should be returned to the church by Nov. 17th. Questions?? Please contact Renie Ellis.

THANK YOU

To all who helped us get the multi-purpose room ready for, and cleaned up after, the Celebration Luncheon: Thank you! We're beyond blessed to have a church family that is willing to lend a hand.

In His love,
Betti and Lindsay Buzzee

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

NEXT SUNDAY, November 3rd 11:00am
All Saints Sunday

- **Pastor Don Olson, preaching**
 “Prayer for the Saints”
 Text: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
- **Sacrament of Holy Communion**
- **Anointing with oil for healing**
- **Distribution of Covenant World Relief banks**

Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, November 3rd Susan Bolinder will provide care in the Nursery; Jen Ambroceo will be in the Toddler Room.

Children’s Church

Children’s Church is for children (Kindergarten - 3rd grades) during the second half of our Sunday morning worship celebration. The leaders on November 3rd will be Jolie LaValle and Betti Almeida.

MISSIONARY PRAYER CALENDARS

Copies of 2013/2014 Missionary Prayer Calendars are available on the table in the narthex.



<http://www.mendingthesoul.org>

On Tuesday evenings October 15th to November 12th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the library of Community Covenant Church, Priscilla Borden and Phyllis Swirka will be hosting an introduction and training for “Mending the Soul” (MTS). This training is for persons interested in knowing more about MTS or who might want to become peer group facilitators.

MTS is a model for survivors of abuse/trauma peer support groups. It is an integration of scientific and social research on healing from abuse with a biblical foundation.

Any one wanting to know more about MTS or who would like to attend this training, please contact Priscilla Borden:
508-451-9301 or ArachneAS@aol.com.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, November 10th 12:15pm

- A light lunch will be provided
- Reservations required—please contact the church office
- The agenda is available on the table in the narthex
- Be there or be square!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to my entire church family for the outpouring of hugs, prayers, and love over the last year of my mom’s life and in the last couple of weeks since her passing. I honestly don’t know how I would have gotten through without your support. With love and gratitude,
Becky Phelan



CARD SHOWER

Please send a card to our friends:

Rev. & Mrs. Bob Hirsch
2125 N. Olive Avenue
Apt. A-34
Turlock, CA 95382

STEWARDSHIP & THANKSGIVING

In this season of thanksgiving, a sincere 'thank you' is in order to everyone who supports our congregation throughout the year with their attendance, service and regular financial contributions.

For those of you who are interested, the church offers electronic giving options for making donations on a scheduled, automated basis. It's convenient for you and provides much-needed financial consistency for the church. To donate, visit the church website at www.communitycovenant.com and click on “Giving to Support Christ’s Mission”.



FOR IMMEDIATE PRAYER NEEDS

To make a request, please call the church office at 508-583-3360 or e-mail to office@communitycovenant.com; or call Candi Keith at 508-583-1227 or e-mail to cskeith@comcast.net. Requests are forwarded to prayer chain participants.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Becky Phelan & family - grieving the death of Becky's mother, Jeanne Henry, on Monday, October 14. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, October 26th at 2pm.
- Karen Alger - knee injury due to a fall; knee surgery on October 12; rehabbing at Life Care Center, Raynham
- Marilyn Gray - moved to Charlton, MA on Thursday, October 23
- Daniel & Andrea Kaiser and family – our church’s missionaries with Africa Revolution; arrived safely in Zambia on Wednesday, October 23; pray for “settling in”
- Congregation Meeting – November 10, 12:15 pm – that God will direct us in every decision
- East Coast Conference Minister’s Retreat – at Pilgrim Pines Conference Center (Sunday – Wednesday, October 27-30)
- Robert Johnson (Evelyn Fleming's brother) - with Alzheimer's and under Hospice care
- Grace Goward (Crystal Coffey's mother) - at home recovering from a stroke
- *Grow the Vision - Fulfill the Mission*'Stewardship Campaign
- Our Church's Nominating Committee - seeking God's guidance for 2014 leadership nominations
- Dave Buzzee – in Afghanistan; working for Raytheon
- Theresa Guaraldi - undergoing tests to diagnose ongoing physical ailments
- Ministry at Community Covenant Church – Advocacy for Victims of Abuse Coordinator Priscilla Borden
- Our world-wide mission – Michael Hewitt - Campus Crusade, Boudler, CO
- Our Ministry in the East Coast Conference – Elements Church, Bronx, NY, Efrain Alicea, Pastor
- U.S. military personnel & their families
- Seth Gillis – US Marine Corps, North Carolina
- Spc. James Gignac (Nicole Aguirre’s brother) - U.S. Army, Afghanistan
- Pat Gillis—Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Madelyn Newberg - Heights Crossing Assisted Living, Brockton
- Marion Schill – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Marge Shurtleff - Emmanuel House, Brockton
- Myrtle Tighe - The Arbors Assisted Living, Stoughton

GROW the **VISION** – **FULFILL** the **MISSION**



PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

A spirit of committed and generous hearts was an answer to prayer to our church family. Prayer that is based on faith bears fruit for the Kingdom, and pleases God. Let our faith and hope in God be that motivation behind our prayers. The Lord longs to speak with us daily. He waits for us to pray for things to happen. He has called you, dear child of God, to rest in His love as you come away with Him in prayer. Thank you, Lord, for that resting place!

In Matthew 7:7-8 it states “Ask and it shall be given to you; seek and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks finds and to him who knocks it shall be opened.” When this petition is spoken in faith, the results are powerful.

Let’s keep on asking for God’s will to be done here at Community Covenant. Keep praying, our prayers have resulted in over \$217,000 in committed pledges to date, and **can continue** to make all the difference. “And this is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. “ 1 John 5:14

Will you pray the following prayer as a “**unified prayer**” for our leaders as they listen for God’s guidance regarding His Church’s future?

Dear Lord: We want to praise you with thanksgiving! You have answered our prayers. You have given us Hope. As we continue on this journey for the stewardship campaign “Grow the Vision-Fulfill the Mission”, we pray your mighty hand will guide our leaders here at Community Covenant and that they will be of the same mind, the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose: YOUR WILL for your Church’s future. We pray that they will be controlled and guided and led by the Holy Spirit, with your wisdom and knowledge in their decision process. In Jesus’ name, we pray.

Renie Ellis
Stewardship Committee Prayer Team

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

We gathered to celebrate. Sunday October 20th was set aside as Celebration Sunday. Immediately following the worship service, members and friends gathered in the multi-purpose room to celebrate. Six weeks earlier we kicked off **Grow the Vision, Fulfill the Mission**, a Stewardship Campaign with the goal of raising \$300,000 over 3 years to allow us to hire a Young Adult and Youth Pastor and to expand/renovate the men’s & ladies rooms. Personal Covenant Cards were received from 89 individuals/families and it was time to reveal the total amount pledged and to celebrate God’s goodness. The room was specially decorated and a caterer provided a wonderful meal. God’s people were ready to celebrate!

Scott Ambroceo, the campaign commitment coordinator announced that to date, \$213,307 had been pledged. Church Chair John Miltner reported on behalf of the Leadership Team that although it was tempting to be disappointed in not making our goal, we still had much to be thankful for and still had cause to celebrate God’s goodness. Pastor Olson reminded us that God is with us in the serenity and the chaos, in the triumph and the storm. He is with us in all things. When plans don’t go quite the way we had intended, perhaps God has us right where He wants us; on our knees recognizing our dependence on Him. John asked us all to continue to pray. The Leadership Team will be meeting soon to pray and discern God’s will for the next step in His work at Community Covenant Church. In the meantime, let’s continue the celebration!

Since the original number was announced, pledge cards have continued to come in and the total amount as of this writing stands at \$217,987. God is good all the time!

David Sawyer
Stewardship Campaign Committee Chair