



So You Know!



Sunday, October 11, 2015
Community Covenant Church
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THIS WEEK

Today	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	12:20 pm
Monday	OFFICE CLOSED—COLUMBUS DAY	
Friday	<i>A Servant's Heart Ministry</i>	6:45 pm
Next Sunday		
	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
	Blood Pressure Screening	12:15 pm
	Hi-League	5:00 pm

AN INVITATION TO EVERYONE
*Love bears all things, believes all things,
 hopes all things, endures all things.
 1 Corinthians 13:7*

We are thankful for how God has sustained us, for the good things He has given to us, and for the love of friends and family He has put in our lives. We look forward with faith and hope to what He has in store for us.

Please join us for worship on Sunday, October 18th as we reaffirm our marriage to celebrate our 45th anniversary. Lunch to follow in the multipurpose room.

Susan and Tom Bolinder

Junior/Senior Hi-League
Next Sunday, October 18, 5 - 7 pm
 All 7th - 12th grade students are welcome to a fun evening of pumpkin carving, snacks and conversation.

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
NEXT SUNDAY, October 18th 11:00 am

- **Pastor Don Olson, preaching**
"Holy Marriage"
Text: Mark 10:2-12
- **Renewal of Marriage Vows**
Susan and Tom Bolinder
- **Mission Moment:**
David Rurik, Covenant Youth of Alaska

Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, October 18th, Rachael Buckley and Andrea McCarthy will provide care in the Nursery. Brad Stickney and Amy Leanes will be in the Toddler Room.

Children's Church

Children's Church is for children (Kindergarten - 3rd grades) during the second half of our worship

SAVE THE DATE
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th
AFTER WORSHIP

COVENANT WORLD RELIEF
SOUPCANS DISTRIBUTED

Covenant World Relief soup cans were distributed last week during worship. We will receive the offering to help those who are hurting on Sunday, November 22nd during our traditional "Soupfest" celebration. CWR soup cans are available in the church office.



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

- Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 25, 2015
- Janet Cheney – home - praise God - making excellent progress in treatment of cancer; surgery on Tuesday, October 6 went well
- Myrtle Tighe – Bostonian Nursing Care & Rehabilitation, Boston
- Madelyn Newberg – Baypointe Rehabilitation & Skilled Care, Brockton
- Grace Duggan – home – being treated for pulmonary and heart issues (water retention)
- Leslie Baker – home – still in pain and recovering from a recent automobile accident
- Sharon Brown (Michelle Peebles' mother) – making excellent progress in her treatment of breast cancer
- Phil Gueli – home – undergoing tests for a bowel obstruction
- Jeanne Bell – home - rehabbing from knee (right) replacement on July 6
- Connie Johansen – home – rehabbing from a broken hip due to a fall on July 27
- Dave Buzzee –Algeria; working for Raytheon
- Tony Pinho – we thank God that Tony has found full-time employment
- John Baker (Leslie Baker's brother) – requests prayer as he seeks employment
- Marilyn (Ruth Pinho's niece-in-law) – advanced cancer; married with 3 children (10, 8 & 7)
- Susan Bolinder – receiving treatment for cancer
- Katie Sandford – diagnosed with health issues
- Shawn (Carl West's 15-year-old grandson) – dealing with several issues
- Theresa Guaraldi – struggling with health issues
- Our Global Mission – Covenant Church, Koyuk, Alaska
- Our Ministry in the East Coast Conference – Rev. Jason Condon, East Coast Conference
Director of Church Planting
- Our Ministry at Community Covenant Church – Senior Pastor Don Olson
- David Baker (Priscilla Borden's brother) – doing well, moved to North Carolina to live with his youngest daughter
- Fran Stickney (Brad Stickney's mother) – 92 years old; advanced Alzheimer's
- Bud Finch – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Pat Gillis – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Carolyn Luther – home - with breathing issues
- Evelyn Ostlund – Life Care Center, West Bridgewater - recovering from a broken arm
- Marion Schill – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Marge Shurtleff – Emmanuel House, Brockton

THANK YOU FROM CENTRAL SCHOOL

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you and your congregation for your generous donation of school supplies for the children at the Central School. Please know that all these supplies were evenly distributed to each grade level in grades Preschool, Kindergarten, Grade 1, and Grade 2.

The teachers were overwhelmed with your kindness for these very much needed items. I sincerely appreciate your thoughtful, caring, and generous support of the children and the school. It is community members like you who make our school so successful.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Catherin Byrne
Principal

WORSHIP WITHOUT WALLS

A few years ago, our church participated in an experience we called Worship Without Walls. This was a time, as the name suggests, that worship was experienced not within the confines of the sanctuary, but in and around the community. The Leadership Team has been talking about what it might look like if we were to create this unique worship opportunity again. So it is my job to find some volunteers! If you are interested in helping with the planning and organization of Worship Without Walls Part 2, please contact me!

Pastor Dave

LETTERS TO HONDURAS

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who is writing letters and praying for the children at H2H Village.

The letters have been mailed. If you have letters that need to be sent I will mail them if you wish.

The great news I received from Lisa Closner is that we no longer need to have them translated into Spanish as the children are progressing well in English.

Please consider sending a Christmas card to your child. They should reach Oregon by the beginning of November. The following is the address to send all correspondence:

Heart to Heart,
Attn: Lisa Closner
P.O. Box 3275
Clackamas, OR 97015

CARD SHOWER

Please send a card to our friend:

Marion Schill
Hannah B. Shaw Home, 120S
299 Wareham Street
Middleboro, MA 02346

2015 UPDATE FROM FINANCIAL OFFICER

Briefly looking at our financials through October 4, 2015:

Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$4,782	YTD Budgeted Giving	\$191,296
9/27/15 Actual Giving	\$3,686	YTD Actual Giving	\$170,492
10/4/15 Actual Giving	\$6,459	YTD Difference	(\$ 20,804)

For a more detailed look at the church's finances, see the Members' page on the church website. Feel free to direct questions to any member of the Leadership Team. If you are a member and need the password for the "MEMBERS" page of the church's website (www.communitycovenant.com), please contact the church office.

CCCEB SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES 2015-16

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25

Small Group Ministries at CCCEB exists so that each of us would grow deeper in our relationships with Christ and each other as we learn, support, worship, serve, and pray together. Our vision is to provide a point of connection within the church and the larger community where we may grow spiritually in our faith and knowledge of Christ; be encouraged, supported, and challenged; and feel a sense of belonging and our place in the larger body of Christ.

To sign up or learn more, please visit the Small Groups table in the multi-purpose room, speak with a group leader or with Katie Sandford, or contact the church office.

YOUNG ADULTS

Who is Jesus? **and** Who are we in light of him? The **TWO** young adult small groups will be tackling these foundational questions in pursuit of becoming a more faithful Christian community. The groups will share dinner together, followed by a time of conversation and encouragement. Childcare will be provided.

*East Bridgewater group- 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month, 5-7pm, Pastor Dave and Jen Capozzi's home
Raynham group- 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, 5-7pm, Melissa and Joe MacDonald's home*

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Confirmation is a discipling ministry for 7th & 8th grade students that is deeply rooted in our church's history. So what about us adults? If you did not have Confirmation as a teenager or it has been a few years since 8th grade, this is a small group for you. We will use the Evangelical Covenant Church's Confirmation/Discipleship as we do an overview of the whole Bible and Church history in chronological order. Since Confirmation is a two-year program, we will speed up the pace, noting key theological truths of the Christian faith. This will be a fun time of learning and growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ and with each other.

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00-8:30 pm, beginning October 8th, at the church, led by Pastor Olson

MISSIONS

The missions small group will continue in study of the books *50 People Every Christian Should Know* and *Operation World*. Group time is also dedicated to growing relationship with missionaries through correspondence and praying for their daily challenges and rejoicing in victories which are shared with the group and church.

Every other Sunday, 6-8 PM, beginning September 20th, at Kathy and Jim Clements' home in East Bridgewater

AFTERNOON TEA BOOK CLUB

This group is a great option for those who would rather not be out at night. We choose a Christian novel to read each month and then discuss it when we are finished. We have a lovely time of fellowship together. We would welcome anyone who would like to join us that enjoys reading.

*1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 2-4 pm, at Carol Phelan's home in West Bridgewater
(after Daylight Saving Time ends we meet from 1:30 to 3:30 pm so that no one is driving home in the dark).*

THE PATRIARCHS: ENCOUNTERING THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC, AND JACOB

This group study will explore God's commitment to His children through lessons learned in Genesis, using a Beth Moore study. Each week each group member will complete 5 days of Bible reading, personal reflection, and prayer. Group time will include small group discussion, written responses, and a video presentation. Although some of the material may be difficult, God wants you to be excited in your commitment to walk with Him...learn from Him...be transformed by Him. He loves you! Following the sharing of our thoughts, you will hear Beth's message that complements the workbook in a 60 minute video. Please ask Carol or visit the table in the MPR for more details on this material.

Two Thursday evenings each month, 7-8:45 pm, beginning October 8th, at the church, led by Carol Ostlund

WOMEN'S GROUP

This year we will be starting our small group with the 2nd book by Sharon Garlough Brown, *Two Steps Forward: A Story of Persevering in Hope*. The books of the *Sensible Shoes* series are stories about four women who say "yes" to the invitation to travel deeper into the heart of God. Join in the journey to freedom, healing, and transformation. May you know the adventure of keeping company with Jesus!

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 6:45-8:45 pm, starting October 8th, led by Beth Stewart

“GROW THE VISION—all God’s Children”

A Weekend of Conversation about Racial Reconciliation

As a young girl growing up in East Bridgewater I was afraid to go into Brockton. I remember my mother asking me if I wanted to run errands with her and I would ask “Do we have to go through Brockton?” My mother’s answer would determine my own; if we had to go into Brockton I was not going. There were times when I would be in the car and I would see the “Entering Brockton” sign which would result in me crouching down in my seat for fear I would be shot through the window.

Where did these thoughts come from? To this day I do not know but what I do know is the intense fear I felt crossing that town line into Brockton.

This is why I am attending the “Grow the Vision – All God’s Children” weekend.

Sarah Stewart

“There was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb ... They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God.” Revelation 7:9a, 11b (NLT)

Saturday-Sunday, November 7-8, 2015

Saturday, 3:00 – 6:00 pm

viewing of the Academy Award winning movie *Selma* followed by discussion of the movie

Sunday, 9:45 – 10:45 am

High School & Adult classes: conversation about race and reconciliation

Sunday, 11:00 am – 12:15 pm

Worship Celebration

Rev. Richard Lucco, preaching: “*One New Humanity*” from *Ephesians 2:11-22*

Sunday, 4:30 – 6:00 pm

conversation and discussion of the sermon “*One New Humanity*”

*** a light supper will be served ***

Sunday, 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Worship Culmination

thanksgiving, repentance, assurance of forgiveness and commitment

SO MEMBERS CAN KEEP INFORMED

The minutes from the September 15, 2015 Leadership Team meeting are now available in the office and on the members-only webpage at communitycovenant.com

ALSO the monthly financial reports are on the members’ webpage for those who want more details about the church’s current financial status.

Members: if you need the password to access the “MEMBERS” page, please contact the church office.

ITEMS NEEDED!

The nursery and toddler room are in need of some new (or used!) books. Preferably board books or books that are specifically made for 0-4 years. Gently used or new toys are always welcome! Please see or call Rachael Buckley if you have anything you'd like to donate. Thank you.