



So You Know!

Sunday, December 4, 2016
Community Covenant Church

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THIS WEEK

Today	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	
	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Choir Rehearsal	12:15 pm
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
	"Rooted" (5 th -8 th grades)	
	Progressive Dinner	5:15 pm
Monday	AA	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Al-Anon	7:30 pm
Thursday	GRASP Grief Group	7:00 pm
Friday	VeggieTales Christmas Party	6:30 pm
Next Sunday	<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	
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SO MEMBERS CAN BE INFORMED...

Go to www.communitycovenant.com and click the "Members" tab. Enter your password and keep informed.

**If you are a member and still need the password for the secured webpage, please contact the church office.

- ◇ **October 18, 2016** Leadership Team minutes
- ◇ **October 2016** Financial Report
- ◇ Congregational Meetings Decisions
 - 2017 Budget
 - Brockton Church Plant

Printed copies are available in the church office for reading if you wish to do so.

Please ask any Leadership Team member where the LT Minutes binder is located.

TODAY

Rooted (Progressive Dinner for grades 5-8)

Meet at the church 5:15pm...we will leave the church at 5:30pm sharp!!!

- MacNeVins' for appetizers
- Buschenfeldts' for pizza
- Buzzees' for dessert and Elf

Return to the church at 9:30pm for pick-up

****All children** must have a signed permission slip to participate***Contact Betti Buzzee with any questions or if your child needs a ride - (508) 697-5721

CARD SHOWER

Please send a card to our friend...

Phil Gueli
P.O. Box 321
Holbrook, MA 02343

Local Missions Christmas Donations

We are collecting donations for the East Bridgewater Senior Center, to help with basic needs for local seniors and their families. Please consider donating socks, hats, and gloves for all sizes/ages, as well as small gift certificates to local grocery stores. For more information or to leave your donations, **check the Christmas tree in the narthex**. Please see Beth Llanes or Katie Sandford with any questions

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

NEXT SUNDAY, December 11th 11:00 am

Third Sunday of Advent

- Pastor Olson preaching
- “*We All Need a Little Assurance*”
Text: *Matthew 11*”2-11
- Advent Candles: “Rejoice”
- Live Nativity (children)
- Mission Moment: Welcome Baby Project

Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, December 11th, Gabrielle Olson will be in the Nursery. Amy Leanues will be in the Toddler room.

Children’s Church

Children’s Church is for children (Kindergarten - grade 3) during the second half of our worship celebration. Next Sunday, December 11th, the leader will be Beth Llanes .

ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX...

- ⇒ Our Daily Bread - December - February
- ⇒ The Covenant Home Altar - October / November / December 2016 Daily Devotions now available.
- ⇒ Fall 2016 The East Coast Covenanter: “*The Gospel and Race, Class, & Gender*” now available.
- ⇒ The East Coast Conference **2016 Mission & Ministry Partnerships** brochure is available for your reading. See some of the great things that God is doing through your support of our greater mission.

DECEMBER Cornerstone now available - don’t forget to pick up your copy!



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Sunday, Dec. 18th

Volunteers are needed to bake breads and mini-muffins, and also to help with set-up at 9:30 am before worship. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to volunteer to cook or to help.

Please place food items on a plate ready to be served (sliced, etc.), and bring to the church on Sunday, December 18th by 10:15 am.

WEATHER ALERT!

During inclement weather, to find out if our worship and ministry events are cancelled, turn to television station WCVB, channel 5. Their website, www.wcvb.com, will also have closing information. You may also sign up there to have closing information delivered by email or text message.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Friday, Dec. 9 - 6:30-8pm - VeggieTales Christmas Party

Invite your friends, put on your jammies and join us for a VeggieTales Christmas movie and cookie decorating...**all ages welcome**

Sunday, Dec. 11 - 11:00am - Live Nativity during Worship Service

Any and all children who would like to participate are welcome. Please have your child(ren) at the church during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45am) if they'd like to join us. We will be dressing the kids during this hour. **There will be NO Sunday School on 12/18**, due to the choir's special program. **Also, NO Sunday School 12/25/16 or 1/1/17**

Sunday, Dec. 18, 10:30 am - Christmas Celebration and Continental Breakfast

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias will grace our sanctuary as we prepare to celebrate Christ's birth, and they will be delivered to shut-ins after Christmas. If you would like to make a donation to help cover the cost, please use one of the envelopes on the table in the Narthex, which can be placed in the office or offering plates. Donations of any size are welcome and appreciated!



Do you love to cook? Are you a woman (or man) attending Community Covenant Church?

Meals can be provided for people in our congregation who have a need for assistance due to extenuating circumstances involving health issues or other life events that impact their ability to provide meals for themselves and their families!

We are currently assisting multiple families with home cooked meals. In order to do this, we need people who are willing to provide a meal for someone in need as the need presents itself.

If you are willing to help out in this way, please contact Sandi Brown (508) 586-7333 or Beth Stewart at ((508) 944-6930 or e-mail: bethfay@yahoo.com

***Please note: Sandi will be away from December 17th through the end of the year.**



Covenant Church of Kenya -

Peace at Any Cost - Remembering Pastor John Kuruga's Courageous Journey

Zambia - the Kaiser Family - "God is on the move"

Home Assignment - Swansons - preparing for service to Sweden



2016 UPDATE FROM FINANCIAL OFFICER

Briefly looking at our financials through November 27, 2016:

	Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$4,626	YTD Budgeted Giving	\$222,048
Updated - 11/20/2016	Actual Giving	\$3,543	YTD Actual Giving	\$187,990*
	11/27/2016 Actual Giving	\$3,432	YTD Difference	(\$34,058)

* includes **\$9,356**. special "Give Beyond" offering received in March/April 2016 to cover budgeted expenses.



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

- Ruth Pinho - home - recovering from a broken shoulder
- Ruth Carrigan – recovering/healing from successful foot surgery on November 10
- Planting a Covenant Church in Brockton– Pastor Dave Capozzi
- Grace Duggan - recovering from successful cataract surgery on November 8
- Mabel Sawyer - receiving chemotherapy for Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma of the stomach
- Phyllis Swirka - recovering from successful shoulder surgery to remove a bone spur
- Jen & Pastor Dave Capozzi - transitioning to their new home in Brockton
- Nicole Aguire - undergoing tests for physical health need
- Phil Gueli – home - diagnosed with hyper-thyroid and fibromyalgia
- Sandy Brown’s daughter-in-law—receiving treatment for breast cancer
- Janet Cheney – praising God for positive treatment results for breast cancer
- Amy Titus (Ruth Pinho’s friend) – diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease
- Katie Sandford –with health issues
- Joe (Carl West’s son) - dealing with personal struggles
- Shawn (Carl West’s 15-year-old grandson) – dealing with several issues
- Our Global Mission - Cathy Campobello, Colombia
- Our Ministry in the East Coast Conference - Life Covenant Church, Morganville, New Jersey, Derrick Jackson, Pastor
- Our Ministry at Community Covenant Church - Leadership Team
- Theresa Guaraldi – home – health issues
- Pat Gillis – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Evelyn Fleming - home
- Carolyn Luther – home - with pulmonary issues
- Marge Shurtleff – Emmanuel House, Brockton
- Myrtle Tighe – Bostonian Nursing Care & Rehabilitation, Boston

A Word of Thanks ...

Dear Community Covenant Church family,

At the death of Brad’s mother, Fran, thank you for all your support and comfort during our time of loss and grief. And thank you for your prayers.

The Stickney & Medeiros families

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication ,
With thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace
of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts
and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*

Philippians 4:6-7