



So You Know!



Sunday, November 26, 2017 Community Covenant Church
400 Pleasant Street, East Bridgewater, MA 02333
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THIS WEEK

Today	<i>Reign of Christ Sunday (Thanksgiving Weekend)</i>	
	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Choir Rehearsal	12:15 pm
Monday	AA	7:30 pm
Tuesday	Al-Anon	7:30 pm
Wednesday	Mom's Bible Study	9:30 am
	Pastoral Search Committee Mtg.	7:30 pm
Thursday	Community Advent Worship	6:00 pm
	St. John the Evangelist Church East Bridgewater	
Friday	Confirmation	7:00 pm
Saturday	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	7:30 am
	Decorating the Church for Christmas	10:00 am
Next Sunday	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship	12:15 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	12:15 pm

ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX...

- ⇒ *The East Coast Covenanter*—
Fall 2018 Conference Newsletter
- ⇒ NOVEMBER Cornerstone
December 2017
- ⇒ Winter Creative Craft at Pilgrim Pines
(Informational Postcard)
January 5-7, 2018
- ⇒ Winter FEST at Pilgrim Pines
(Informational Postcard)

Please send a card to our friend:

Theresa Guaraldi
10 Hollis Road
South Easton, MA 02375

December 2nd



Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Please call Don Alger at (508)
by Thursday, September 28th,
if you plan to attend.

Saturday, December 2nd 10am - 1pm



The more the merrier (and quicker). Looking for people willing and able to help us decorate the church sanctuary and narthex for the Advent Season. It usually can be done in two or three hours, depending on how many people come to help. Pastor Olson also needs a few men that can help get all the decorations down from the attic of the Church. Just say "YES"!! and volunteer for this fun and important work!

If you are able to help, please contact the church office (508-583-3360).

Read these articles and more on



- ◆ Germany - Life with the Hewitts
November 6, 2017
- ◆ Sweden - Newsletter from Barb and Steve Swanson - October 18, 2017
- ◆ KICY Call Letter - Nome, Alaska
October 2017
- ◆ Covenant Youth of Alaska (CYAK)
"Celebrating 25 years" October
- ◆ CWR Update - "Water from the Mountains of Thailand" - Fall 2017

(Keeping you informed ... see page 3 of this publication for updates from our Leadership team and Financial Officer!

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

NEXT SUNDAY, December 3rd, 11:00 am
First Sunday of Advent

- Pastor Don Olson preaching:
 "Waiting as Jesus Christ's Partners"
 Text: *1 Corinthians 1:3-9*
- *Lighting of the Advent Candle*
- *Holy Communion*
- *Anointing with Oil*

"Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, December 3rd, Janet Ek will be in the Nursery.
Amy Leanes will be serving in the Toddler room.

Transition Room

Next Sunday, December 3rd, Becca LaValle will be in the
Transition room

Children's Church

Children's Church is for children (Kindergarten - grade 3)
during the second half of our worship celebration. Next
Sunday, December 3rd, the leader will be Betti Buzzee.

SO MEMBERS CAN BE INFORMED...

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

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

- ◇ Leadership Team Minutes, Sept. 6,
2017
- ◇ Leadership Team Minutes, Sept. 19,
2017
- ◇ Documents from November 5, 2017
Congregational Meeting
- ◇ **September** Financial Report
- ◇ Proposed **2018** Budget

Printed copies are also 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.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



*(Details in the December Issue of the Cornerstone -
coming Dec. 1, 2017)*

Saturday, December 2nd - 10:00am - 1:00pm - Decorating
of the Sanctuary for Christmas...Your help is appreciated!!

Saturday, December 2nd - 7:30 am - Men's Fellowship
Breakfast. ALL men are Welcome! Please call Don
Alger at (508) 944-5336 by Thursday, November 30th, if
you plan to attend.

Friday, Dec. 8th - 6:30-8:30pm - VeggieTales Christmas Party
for ALL Ages.

Sunday, Dec. 10th - 11:00am - Live Nativity during Worship
Service

Sunday, Dec. 10th - 6:00-8:30pm - "Rooted" Christmas Movie
Night at the Buzzees'.

Sunday, Dec. 17th - 10:30 am - Continental Breakfast and a
Christmas Celebration presented by the choir at 11:00am

BE PREPARED

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.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING ???

Don't forget you can support our local
church by logging in
at: <https://smile.amazon.com>, then
choosing CCC as your chosen charity.



FINAL ISSUE of THE CORNESTONE (for 2017 that is)

Be sure to submit your articles by the
deadline: Tuesday, 11/28/17 AND,
while you're at it, why not stop by the
office and pick up your Cornerstone
Word Puzzle(s)

Office Hours: 10:00am-3:00pm. M,W, F

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Contributions continue to come in for our missions and for that I'm grateful. The total as of last Sunday on this venture is \$5,702.00. Such a blessing to see cheerful givers doing something above and beyond anything we can, as humans, understand. This has given the church a way to catch up on our commitments to our Missionaries and to also give to the Covenant Denomination as the church tithes on earnings. We are sending out checks again this week to all our missions – all are paid through October. Thank you for your faithfulness. If you still want to contribute, please do so—just specify your donation is for Global Missions.

You can also help by purchasing a wreath – all proceeds will go directly to our missions. If you did buy one (or several), you can pick up in the gym **today**. There are also more available if you didn't sign up but want to help. Thanks again for your faithful giving.

The Leadership Team

COVENANT WORLD RELIEF.....THE WRAP UP

Every time I write something in the "So You Know", I'm thanking this congregation for one thing or the other. This time I'm thanking everyone for your generous support for Covenant World Relief and the famous SOUP FEST.

Here is where I come to the Thank You's.....

Thank you to all those who contributed financially – you know who you are. As you can see, the total collected this year was \$1766.74. Wow!!! That's just awesome. Thank you – Thank You – Thank you.

Thank you to all those change collectors.....Lee Stewart had that change counter cranked again this year, counting and counting and counting.

Thank you for those who put this event into action – that would be Nancy McCarthy and her special crew that set up the gym and then broke it down again. There was also a crew in the kitchen setting up all the food and keeping the baskets of bread full and the coffee flowing. No one likes clean up but many hands made that job easy.

Thank you to all those soup masters, bread makers and pie bakers. Everything was delicious – NICELY DONE!!!

For all those inquiring minds who want to know how much came in from where, here it is.....

Soup Fest Donations	\$285.00		
Cans For Change	\$423.74		
Other Donations	<u>\$1,058.00</u>		
Grand total:		\$1,766.74	THANK YOU!!!!!!

Gail Lewis
Financial Officer

WEEKLY UPDATE FROM FINANCIAL OFFICER

Briefly looking at our financials through **November 19, 2017**

Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$4,190	YTD Budgeted Giving	\$196,930
11/12/2017 Actual Giving	\$2,542	YTD Actual Giving	\$159,270
11/19/2017 Actual Giving	\$3,739	YTD Difference	(\$ 37,660)



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

- Nominating Committee - discernment for nominating the 2018 Financial Officer
- Pastoral Search Committee—Michelle Peebles, Kim Buschenfeldt, Gail Lewis, Peter Vacchi, Matt Llanes, Ernie Johansen, Ellen Capozzi
- Ruth Carrigan & family - grieving the death of Ruth's father on October 26, 2017
- Dana Cheney - home - under Doctor's care for Atrial Fibrillation; electrical cardioversion was successful on Monday, November 20
- Tom (Andrea Sawyer's father) - Brigham & Women's Hospital - undergoing tests
- Theresa & Bert Guaraldi - grieving the death of their son, Bret on Monday, October 23
- Dorothy & David Thompson - moved on October 30th to The Arbors Assisted Living at Taunton
- Connie Johansen - home- recovering from a fall (broken hip & wrist)
- *Covenant Community Bible Experience* - the Holy Spirit will speak to Community Covenant Church
- *Covenant World Relief* - responding to world-wide catastrophes in Caribbean Islands, Texas, Florida, Mexico, West Coast fires
- Ruth Carrigan - home - rehabbing from successful shoulder surgery
- Edward Julian (Barbara Stickney's father) - home - congestive heart failure
- Olivia Cheney (Janet & Dana Cheney's granddaughter) - home - recovering from an accident
- Phil Gueli – home - numerous medical issues
- Mitchell (friend of Pinho family) - paralyzed from the waist down due to recent automobile accident
- Jeanne Bell - home - rehabbing from back surgery
- Scott Bennett - retired from his career in the U.S. Coast Guard; looking for a civilian job to continue to support the United States
- David Buzzee - Algeria - working for Raytheon
- Leslie Baker - home - recovering from a herniated disc
- Church Plant: Brockton Covenant Church – Pastor Dave Capozzi
- 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 – 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 - Church Plant: Hope, Roosevelt Island, NY
- Our Ministry at Community Covenant Church - Sunday School Coordinator Betti Buzzee
- Barbara Cote - home - pulmonary issues
- Pat Gillis – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Carolyn Luther – home - pulmonary issues
- Myrtle Tighe – Bostonian Nursing Care & Rehabilitation, Boston

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.”

Ephesians 6:18 (NIV)