



# So You Know!



Sunday, December 24, 2017 Community Covenant Church  
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## THIS WEEK

<b>Today</b>	<b><i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i></b>	
	NO Sunday School	
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship	12:15 pm
	Christmas Eve Worship	5:00 pm
<b>Monday</b>	Christmas Day (office closed)	
	AA	7:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Al-Anon	7:30 pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b><i>First Sunday After Christmas</i></b>	
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## ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX...

- ⇒ *The East Coast Covenanter*—  
Fall 2018 Conference Newsletter\
- ⇒ **DECEMBER** Cornerstone
- ⇒ Covenant Home Altar Daily Devotional  
 January/February/March
- PILGRIM PINES HAPPENINGS**
- ⇒ **January 5-7, 2018** - WinterFEST  
(Informational Postcard)
- ⇒ 2018 Camp Squanto Brochure 

## TODAY

**Fourth Sunday of Advent: WITNESS  
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL & NO CHILDREN'S  
CHURCH**

## CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Please join us for our annual “Christmas Eve Worship.” This worship is for all ages (children – adults). We will sing several Christmas Carols, the choir will sing and there will be special music by Melissa MacDonald. The message by Pastor Olson will be “Christmas Has No Ending.” The Christmas Eve Offering will go to the local ministry of EB HOPE (East Bridgewater coalition to combat the opioid epidemic). Come and celebrate the Good News that Christ is born!



*Congratulations*

*to Andrea, Brian  
and big sister, Abbey,  
on the birth of baby  
Owen Thomas Sawyer  
born December 21st  
at 11:42 am. He  
weighed 8 lbs. 12 ozs.  
and is 21" long.*

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

NEXT SUNDAY, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 am  
*First Sunday After Christmas  
(New Year's Eve Day)*

### *NO Sunday School*

- Pastor Don Olson preaching:  
*"What are You Waiting For?"*  
Text: *Luke 2:22-40*
- God's Word for God's Children
- Mission Moment - Leadership Team Update

### Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Betti Buzzee will be in the Nursery. Barbara Stickney will be in the Toddler Room.

### Transition Room

Next Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Brad Stickney will be in the Transition room.


### Children's Church

Next Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Ginny Gillespie will be the leader for Children's Church.

## SO MEMBERS CAN BE INFORMED...

Go to [www.communitycovenant.com](http://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 - October 24, 2017
- ◇ Documents from November 5, 2017 Congregational Meeting
- ◇ **November** Financial Report 
- ◇ Approved **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.

Please send a card to our friend:

Marilyn Gray  
c/o Christina Giddings  
468 Firetown Road  
Simsbury, CT 06070

## CornerStone

### January 2018

### "Deadline approaching"

Wednesday, 12/27/17

Someone may be blessed by your witness of what God has done or is doing in your life. Please send your thoughts to be included in our "goodnews letter", the Cornerstone!

**Come on, let's hear from you!!!**

**Office hours are 10:00am-3:00pm. M,W, F**



May the Spirit of this wondrous Season bring you Joy and Blessings now and throughout the coming year!



Community Covenant Church partners with CWR by raising funds to help those in need around the world.




Please remember to save your soup cans (10.5 oz.) in preparation for the 2018 CWR Cans for Change Campaign.

## 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](http://www.wcvb.com), will also have closing information.



- ◆ Thankful to God for all of you - Cathy Campobello
- ◆ Thank you Card from the Hewitts
- ◆ Sweden - Newsletter from Barb and Steve Swanson - October 18, 2017
- ◆ New England Seafarers' News 



**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

Poinsettias gracing our sanctuary as we celebrate Christ's birth will be delivered to shut-ins after Christmas bringing joy and blessing to them as well!

Thank you for your donations to help cover the costs. If you still wish To donate, please use one of the envelopes on the table in the Narthex which can be placed in the office or offering plates.

We all shop and can support our local church year round. Just log in at: <https://smile.amazon.com>, and choose CCC as your chosen charity.



**January 2018**

**“Servant’s Heart” and “Rooted” Outreach**

After worship on January 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, those involved with Servant’s Heart and Rooted will be collecting canned items for East Bridgewater’s food pantry at St. Ann’s. They will also be collecting monetary donations, which will be used on a shopping trip specifically for the food pantry. By taking the children shopping, we are able to help them empathize with those in need, really thinking about what they need and the best way to provide using God’s resources. We delayed this mission project this year to remind our kids that the food pantries need help throughout the year and not just during the Thanksgiving/ Christmas season.

We thank you in advance for your support!!!

- ◆ Jan. 14 - donation collections after worship
- ◆ Jan. 21 - donation collections after worship
- ◆ Jan. 26 - 6:30pm shopping trip Market Basket West Bridgewater. We will meet in the food court.
- ◆ Jan. 27 - Trip to deliver food to St. Ann’s.

*(Pick up an Informational Postcard located on the table in the Narthex for these upcoming retreats)*

**Pilgrim Pines**

**January 5-7- WinterFest** for Senior High Students at Pilgrim Pines (celebrating 60 years)

**January 19-21 or February 9-11 - WinterBlast** for youth Grades 6-8 at Pilgrim Pines

**2018 Camp Squanto brochure**

**WEEKLY UPDATE FROM FINANCIAL OFFICER**

Briefly looking at our financials through **December 17, 2017**

<b>Weekly Budgeted Giving</b>	<b>\$4,190</b>	<b>YTD Budgeted Giving</b>	<b>\$213,690</b>
<b>12/10/2017 Actual Giving</b>	<b>\$2,970</b>	<b>YTD Actual Giving</b>	<b>\$171,195</b>
<b>12/17/2017 Actual Giving</b>	<b>\$2,706</b>	<b>YTD Difference</b>	<b>(\$ 42,495)</b>



## FOR IMMEDIATE PRAYER NEEDS

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



### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Andrea & Brian Sawyer family - Owen Thomas Sawyer was born Thursday, December 21...all are healthy and big sister Abbey also welcomes Owen to the family
- Peter Vacchi - home - recovering from carpal tunnel surgery
- 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
- Covenant World Relief - responding to world-wide catastrophes in Caribbean Islands, Texas, Florida, Mexico, West Coast fires
- Church Plant: Brockton Covenant Church – Pastor Dave Capozzi
- Our Global Mission - Rev. Gary Walter, President of the Evangelical Covenant Church
- Our Ministry in the East Coast Conference - Church Plant: Church of the Resurrection, New York, NY
- Our Ministry at Community Covenant Church - Leadership Team member Phyllis Swirka
- Leslie Baker - home - recovering from a herniated disc
- 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
- Dana Cheney - home - under Doctor's care for Atrial Fibrillation; doing well
- Janet Cheney – praising God for positive treatment results for breast cancer
- Connie Johansen - home- recovering from a fall (broken hip & wrist)
- Amy Titus (Ruth Pinho's friend) – diagnosed with Parkinson's disease
- Edward Julian (Barbara Stickney's father) - home - congestive heart failure
- Joe (Carl West's son) - dealing with personal struggles
- Mitchell (friend of Pinho family) - paralyzed from the waist down due to recent automobile accident
- Olivia Cheney (Janet & Dana Cheney's granddaughter) - home - recovering from an accident
- Shawn (Carl West's 15-year-old grandson) – dealing with several issues
- Sandy Brown's daughter-in-law—praise God for good results for breast cancer treatment
- Tom (Andrea Sawyer's father) - Brigham & Women's Hospital - undergoing tests
- Barbara Cote - home - pulmonary issues
- Pat Gillis – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
- Phil Gueli – home - numerous medical issues
- Theresa & Bert Guaraldi - home
- Carolyn Luther – home - pulmonary issues
- Myrtle Tighe – Bostonian Nursing Care & Rehabilitation, Boston
- Dorothy & David Thompson - The Arbors Assisted Living at Taunton

*“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)*