

JANUARY 29, 2012

# COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Gathering Songs

#### Call to Worship

*Almighty Creator*

*Come Ye Sinners*

*We Are the Body of Christ*

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Greeting One Another

*My All in All\**

*Jesus, With Thy Church Abide*

#### Message

Pastor Tim Frost

### God's Tithes and Our Offerings

#### Music Sung Over Us

Your Great Name

*Hear Our Praises*

#### Benediction

*\*Children ages 3 through Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church at the beginning of "My All in All."*

## WELCOME VISITORS

We are so glad you're here this morning! Please be sure to fill out the Attendance Register when it is passed so that we can get to know you. Also please stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby to pick up some information about our church and our many ministries.

Covenant Presbyterian is a large church and it might seem overwhelming at first, but it's a church filled with wonderful folks who are anxious to meet you, minister to you, and help you get connected. If you have any questions about anything at all, feel free to contact the church office at 433-3051 or [office@cov-pres.org](mailto:office@cov-pres.org).

## PREPARING OUR HEARTS

*We invite you to join us in preparing our hearts for next week's sermon. Please take some time this week to pray for the preaching of the Word and to study next Sunday's sermon text, Ephesians 4:1-6.*

## COVENANT FAMILY LIFE

**Pick up a yellow handout** from the bulletin table for nursery information and Sunday School information for all ages. **Pick up a peach handout** for Covenant leadership information and Stephen Ministry information. **Lyric sheets** are located at the sound booth for those who have a hard time reading the overhead.

We're excited for our **INTERIM PASTOR, David O'Dowd and his wife, Mary Nell**, to begin their ministry at Covenant! David's first Sunday in the pulpit will be next Sun., Feb. 5. There will be a **reception** following 2<sup>nd</sup> service that day to welcome them and give you an opportunity to visit with them. Please bring a crock pot of soup to share; Covenant will provide everything else. Look for signs around the kitchen and multi-purpose room for directions about where to plug in your crock pot. Let's give David and Mary Nell a "souper" warm welcome!

**Embrace the cross-cultural heart of this church.** As a church we want to extend the grace and hope of the gospel to all people in all nations. Amazingly, God is bringing the nations into our community. We would like for you to join with us in reaching out to those who now call Harrisonburg home by inviting our immigrant friends into our homes for a meal. If you are interested in joining us, please fill out the card inserted in the bulletin and place it in the offering basket.

**SHORT TERM MISSIONS for Summer 2012**—Our plan is to send several teams (must be high school age and above) again to Oaxaca, Mexico, July 6-17, to

partner with local churches in community outreach, Vacation Bible School, and church development. We will also have middle and high school students (we will need adult chaperones) participate in the local "Renew" mission project from June 10-15. Application deadline is Tues., Jan. 31 for Mexico and Mar. 13 for "Renew." For more information or to print an application, visit [www.cov-pres.org](http://www.cov-pres.org).

**BE PREPARED TO BLAST OFF! Kids Connection** is going out of this world. Come dressed in your own "OUTER SPACE" look from your imaginary planet or just wear green. We are building space ships, playing space games, and enjoying alien treats! Our Bible says in Romans 12:2 "Be not of this world..." What does that mean? 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders, come find out in FUN! Join us at 6:30-8:30 p.m., Fri., Feb. 3, in the Children's Wing.

**SERVICE SATURDAY IS COMING UP FEB. 18, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 NOON** (optional lunch from 12:00-1:00 p.m.). This is an opportunity for the Covenant body to serve together - the young with the old, the skilled with the unskilled, the English as a primary language speaker with the English as a secondary language speaker - working on different projects to bless our community and church body and to build relationships as we work together. A list of projects will be posted on the church's website ([www.cov-pres.org](http://www.cov-pres.org); click on Service Saturday) on February 3 along with a sign-up form for you to

## COVENANT FAMILY LIFE (CONTINUED)

fill out. Paper sign-ups will be available at the Welcome Desk in the church lobby. Sign-up deadline is Weds., Feb. 15. Please be in prayer for this work and please consider how you and your family would like to participate. For further information please contact Tim Frost ([tim@cov-pres.org](mailto:tim@cov-pres.org)).

**20- and 30-somethings**, join us for **CROSSROADS FELLOWSHIP**. Crossroads will meet Feb. 3, 7:00 p.m., at the church. Crossroads exists to provide fun and fellowship for young adult Christians who are out of college but not yet married.

Extending the love of Christ through a warm smile... if you'd like to do that, the **Children's Ministries** need you! **Greeters** are needed each Sunday morning to welcome folks into the children's wing and point visitors in the right direction, either during Children's Church dismissal times (either service) or at the beginning of Sunday School. Contact Tonya today to sign up for once a month (433-3051 or [tonya@cov-pres.org](mailto:tonya@cov-pres.org)).

Join us for a **HYMN SING** Sun., Feb. 19, 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Come ready to request a favorite hymn!

### WIC (WOMEN IN THE CHURCH)

Join the **Single Sisters** at our annual **Valentine's** get-together on Sat., Feb. 11. Our own Judy Baer will be sharing something from her heart. We will meet for brunch at the church at 10:00 a.m. No need to bring any food, just come and be ready to enjoy this time of fellowship! Single ladies of all ages are welcome. Please RSVP to Bunnie Poyser or Marliese Poskitt as soon as possible. See you there!

**Two events, one day**—Come to one or come to both! **RUTH GRAHAM** is speaking at our church on April 28. Event #1, *Fear Not Tomorrow, God is Already There*, is open to the public and will be from 4:00-6:30 p.m. This event costs \$10. Event #2, Covenant's Mother Daughter Banquet, is for Covenant attenders and their guests and is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dinner is \$13 per adult or \$9 for ages 7-12. At the banquet, Ruth will be speaking on *A Legacy of Love: Things I Learned from my Mother*. Sign up in the lobby. Reserve your spot before it's full! Gluten-free meal available upon request.

### BIC (BROTHERS IN CHRIST)

Calling all Men—**MEN'S FRATERNITY: The Quest for Authentic Manhood** meets on Tuesday mornings at 6:00 a.m. Now is a great time to join dozens of other men in the Quest for Authentic Manhood. This semester we'll deepen our understanding of the biblical definition of manhood and learn how an authentic man relates to his world, his wife, his children, his friends, and his God. Questions? Contact Doug Fischer.

**HUNGRY?** Join other men for prayer and bagels on Sat., Feb. 11 and the second Saturday of every month at 7:30 a.m. in the church kitchen.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for your help in the **Harrisonburg Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle Campaign**. Life is so precious and your contributions keep the center open so that it can offer free confidential services that provide alternatives to women considering abortion. If you forgot to bring your baby bottle back today, you can drop it off at the center (833 Cantrell Ave, Harrisonburg). You can also call or see Janet Welty.

## COVENANT CALENDAR

*Prayer time in the Library from 8:00-8:20 a.m. on Sundays*

- Jan. 31** — Men's Fraternity, 6:00 a.m.
- Jan. 31** — Covenant Children's Choir practice, 4:00 p.m. (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), 4:30 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>)
- Jan. 31** — STM: Mexico application deadline, 4:00 p.m.
- Feb. 2** — Cub Scouts Den meeting, 4:00 p.m.
- Feb. 2** — Backyard Bible Club, 4:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3** — Kids' Connection, 6:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3** — Crossroads Young Adult Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
- Feb. 5** — Welcome Reception for Interim Pastor, 1:00 p.m.
- Feb 9** — Session Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 11** — Men's Prayer and Bagels, 7:30 a.m.
- Feb. 11** — Single Sisters Valentine's Brunch, 10:00 a.m.
- Feb. 18** — Service Saturday, 8:00 a.m.
- Feb. 19** — Hymn Sing, 5:00 p.m.
- Feb. 24** — Square Dance, 6:30 p.m.

*Full Calendar at [www.cov-pres.org](http://www.cov-pres.org)*

## YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUN., FEB. 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m.: SUPERBOWL PARTIES - MIDS** at the home of Mike & Jane Marsh, **HIGHS** at the home of Greg & Karen Montgomery. ***Last names A-L - please bring a dessert, M-Z - please bring a bag of chips.*** (Directions to homes on February youth event calendar - available in all youth Sunday School classrooms & Welcome Desk in lobby.)

**SUN., FEB. 12, 6:00-8:00 p.m.: SIGNS NIGHT** - Both Youth Groups meet at the church. Come gather for a rousing tournament of the game "Signs!"

**SAT., FEB. 18, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: SERVICE SATURDAY**

**FRI., FEB. 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.:** Church-wide **SQUARE DANCE** in the Activity Room. *Please bring a snack to share.*



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**ALIANZA WORSHIP SERVICE: 11:15 AM; SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 AM**