

# June 2017



## Presbyterian Church of the Covenant



# The Covenant Compendium

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### Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00-10:00 Early Gathering  
10:00-10:20 Fellowship time  
10:20-11:10 Study Groups  
11:15-12:00 Second Service  
Nursery 9:00-12:00 Rm. 101

### Important Dates ...

June 3: Church Work Day, 9:30am-12:00pm

June 4: Communion Sunday, both gatherings

June 5: Higher Ground breakfast, 10:00am

June 6: In\*Spire Meditation 12:00pm; Group Brown Bag Lunch, 12:30pm, Fellowship Hall

June 12: Session Meeting, 6:00 pm, Faselo Room

June 13: Sierra Club Mtg., 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

June 18: Father's Day

June 22: Triad Grief Recovery program, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

June 25: Joint Service, 10:30am; 11:30am, Baked Potato Bar Brunch!

June 26: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

### SESSION DIGEST

The following took place at the Monday, May 8th meeting:

- ◆ Ukirk is seeking a Board Member, hopefully from the PCoC Session, as Clara Kelly is rotating off the Ukirk board. They seek a candidate experienced in grant writing, fundraising, and communication. It would be good to have a Covenant member to begin connecting us with nearby universities.
- ◆ Candidates for Nomination of the Pastor Search Committee. Nancy Schaefer tabulated and shared the results of nominations from the congregation. We checked to ensure nominees were members. Ralph Cauthen motioned that as soon as the list was complete it be presented in a congregational meeting. Joyce Powers seconded the motion.
- ◆ PCoC is still in the black for the fourth month due to receipt of several annual pledges. We are receiving no rental income from rooms formerly occupied by the Gov. Morehead group and Hirsch Wellness.
- ◆ Changes to the Nursery program still being considered.
- ◆ Mark Cable submitted a report on the progress of various building projects to George Lockhart, who communicated them. We are also awaiting a response to a request to our custodial provider for a quote to clean, polish and wax the floors.
- ◆ One of the tenants has requested additional time to removed personal property from unleased space in the building.
- ◆ The vagrant sleeping on the Mendenhall Street entry way will be asked not to leave his blankets there during the day.
- ◆ Nancy Schaefer requested the refrigerator be serviced and the coils cleaned.
- ◆ The June 25<sup>th</sup> fellowship brunch will be a baked potato and salad bar. The joint service that day will take place from 10:30am to 11:30am.
- ◆ Fred Wallace reported there had been two interviews for music director; one candidate removed himself from consideration after learning the job requirements. Other candidates will be interviewed.
- ◆ Congregational Care visited nine people and thirteen members made eleven visits.
- ◆ Nancy Schaefer shared the amount of the love gift for Walt Lott and motioned that the church add to it; it was seconded and passed.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of The Session

## June Sunday Service Information

**June 4:**

9:00 Host: Elsie Hutchens  
 9:00 Music: Emma Lee  
 11:15 Lay Asst.: Ralph Cauthen  
 11:15 Ushers: Ann Finch, Charlie Finch

**June 18:**

9:00 Host: TBA  
 9:00 Music: Daniel Ayers  
 11:15 Lay Asst.: Emily Seawell  
 11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

**June 11:**

9:00 Host: TBA  
 9:00 Music: Tyler Millard  
 11:15 Lay Asst.: Ann Finch  
 11:15 Ushers: Celia Starling, Frank Starling

**June 25:** JOINT SERVICE AT 10:30AM

Service Asst.: Rev. Julie Strope  
 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Barry Barber



**Every Week ...**

**Volunteer!**

**Mon.:** Yoga, 6:00pm, Parlor \*\*  
 Meditation, 6:00m, Marty's Room (106)  
**Tues.:** In\*Spire Meditation, 12:00pm, Sanctuary, free!  
**Wed.:** Coffee Group, 9:00am, The Green Bean  
 WNFS Potluck, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall  
 Choir rehearsal, 7:00pm, Sanctuary  
**Thur.:** Pilates, 4:30pm, Parlor \*\*  
 Yoga, 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall\*\*  
**Fri.:** Coffee Group, 9:00am, Panera (New Garden Rd.)  
 \*\* \$10 per class; \$7 for church members!

**VOLUNTEER   VOLUNTEER   VOLUNTEER**  
**WHY?**

**Because we need YOU To VOLUNTEER:  
 to be a Lay Assistant on Sundays; to supply  
 snacks for Fellowship Time; to teach a class.  
 To help with church work days. Give the gift  
 of your time/talent to PCoC! We need you.**

### Church Office Hours

**Mark Sandlin:** Mon.—Thurs., 9:00am-3:00pm  
**Kate Baird:** Mon.—Friday, 9:00am-3:30pm

### Please Update Contact Info.

Have you changed cell phone numbers, or gotten a new one? Have you moved? Have you notified the church office? Help us keep in touch with you by keeping us informed!

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Suppers

Bring your family and friends to share PCoC's weekly potluck suppers every Wednesday night at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The dinners are a great opportunity for fellowship and fun, and afterwards, there June be a program or a chance to work on a service project, or a learning opportunity. Volunteers to lead after-dinner programs are always needed and welcome!

### Monthly Work Day, Saturday, June 3rd

Saturday, June 3rd is our next monthly church Work Day; the hours are 9:30am to 12:00pm. There are always projects and chores inside and out. You can come for the entire time or for just part, as you're available. A to-do list and hot coffee will be available in the Fellowship Hall, and there's always something that needs attention. Thanks to all you wonderful caretakers! To volunteer or for more information, please contact Lora Farlow at : [lora.farlow@gmail.com](mailto:lora.farlow@gmail.com)

## PCoC Welcomes New Music Director

We would like to welcome Nancy Pitkin as our new Music Director. Nancy has had an extensive career as a pianist, composer, vocalist, songwriter, music director, and accompanist. Nancy has always been drawn to the healing power of sound, and is also certified in Sound Healing. She has presented workshops for Activity Professionals, hospitals, universities, churches and spiritual centers throughout the southeast.. She also produces and records her original healing music and has recorded music for senior communities for many years. Nancy is excited to be joining the staff of PCOC! Nancy will be joined frequently by Elaine Penn.



Elaine and Nancy have been co-writers on three projects, and together they tour performing their original, spiritual music. Elaine has an extensive career as a motivational speaker, executive and intuitive coach, workshop and retreat leader, and wellness consultant. She has performed as a professional vocalist for most of her life, and is certified in Reiki.

## PCoC Financial Summary

The church is in a financially stable position for the first four months of 2017. Gross revenues amount to \$85,405. Contributions for the period total \$57,200 (66.7%) and revenue from our parking lots and tenants total \$27,300 (31.9%). Other income includes special offerings for the purchase of new hymnals (\$485) and memorials of \$425.

Expenditures total \$84,635. These expenses include \$38,080 for personnel (44.9%), \$30,205 for building and grounds (35.7%), \$6,490 for the music program (7.7%), \$6,610 for administrative costs (7.8%), \$1,000 to Salem Presbytery (1.18%), and \$2,250 for spiritual formation and fellowship. This results in a positive cash flow of \$770 for the first four months of 2017.

## PCoC's Network of Caring

Jane Cauthen serves as a Congregational Care Assistant, assisted by other congregation members who work with her to create a network of caring. They have been making visits to our ill, elderly, or shut in members, some of whom have not attended services for a long time, but who are not forgotten. If you know of any community needs, please email the church office at: [pcoc2010@gmail.com](mailto:pcoc2010@gmail.com).

## Peace, Compassion & Joy: In\*Spire Meditation Celebrates One Year of

*"Contemplation happens to everyone. It happens in moments when we are open, undefended, and immediately present." Dr. Gerald May*

Our **In\*Spire Meditation** gathering is celebrating its first anniversary! At noon each Tuesday our PCOC Sanctuary has been open to all in the community for 20 minutes of collective silence and stillness. We have made some new friends and in the silence our connection to others feels sure and strong.

Our deep hope is that in sharing this silence together we will create an opening that In\*Spires each of us to live every moment in a more "present and undefended" way. And that by practicing undefended presence together we may creatively bring more peace, compassion and joy into the world.

Please come join in on June 6th! It's the first Tuesday of the month and after our silence we enjoy a brown bag lunch in the Fellowship Hall together. And honestly, sharing silence is fun!



## In Our Community

# INSPIRE MEDITATION

PCoC Sanctuary

EVERY TUESDAY  NOON

Relax, Refresh and Enliven 

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