



The Covenant Compendium

Session Meeting Minutes, May 1, 2018

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Sunday Morning Schedule

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

Important Dates ...

- June 2: Monthly Work Day, 9:30am—12:00pm, F. Hall
- June 3: Communion Sunday, both services. Open to all.
- June 4: Higher Ground Breakfast, 10:00am, 210 E. Bessemer
- June 5: In*Spire Meditation, 12:00pm, Sanctuary; 12:30pm, Second Anniversary Brown Bag Lunch in Fellowship Hall
- June 9: Abundant Life Workshop, 1:00-4:00PM
- June 12: Session Meeting, 6:00 pm, Faselso Room
- June 12: Sierra Club, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- June 17: Father's Day
- June 20: Fellowship Dinner & PCoC Musical Extravaganza
- June 21: Summer Solstice
- June 24: JOINT SERVICE, no classes, 10:00am, Luncheon following!
- June 25: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- June 26: ARC meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

OLD BUSINESS

- *Mark Sandlin reported that "No Trespassing" signs have been installed in the rear courtyard, the Morehead Ave. parking lot, and in the Mendenhall lot.
- *Gateway Update: Gateway staff and board are preparing for re-accreditation and will resume discussion of space needs with PCoC in June.

NEW BUSINESS

- *A tenant lease has been terminated, effective June 1, 2018.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resource

- *In advance of Nancy Schaefer's retirement, Nancy motioned that we search for a payroll company to handle payroll and related matters. Resource will research providers and give the Session a cost quote.

Worship

- *There will be a Wednesday night musical extravaganza on June 20th at 6:45pm in the Sanctuary. The event is gift from Nancy Pitkin as she prepares to leave us. It will be preceded by a special WNFS meal provided by the Fellowship Committee at 6:00pm.

Spiritual Formation

- *The nursery care provider is away until the fall UNCG semester begins. We are considering options for both the nursery and education class for mid-May until Mid-August. There will be no participants for much of the summer.

Building and Grounds

- *New towing notification signs have been posted at the entrances to all our parking lots, necessitated due to unauthorized use by neighborhood tenants
- *The boiler has multiple major problems. Mark Cable has been making several daily trips to keep it running. It is suggested we seek a loan to finance its replacement. The committee will work on a proposal for the Session and will have a plan in place by September.

Interiors

- *The small freezer in the kitchen has quit. Replacement was discussed.

Communications

Fellowship

- *The last lunch was a big one; leftovers went to home shut-ins and the WNFS.
- *The June 24th lunch will be hot dogs and hamburgers.

Outreach

- *Mark Sandlin is working to form a committee.

Personnel

- *Personnel plans to interview a candidate for Music Director/instrumentalist.
- *The Visitation report included 3 visits and 2 contacts by phone.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of The Session

June Sunday Service Information

June 3: *Communion Sunday*
 9:00 Host: David Johnson
 9:00 Music: Will Ridenour
 11:15 Asst.: Rev. Julia Ross Strope
 11:15 Ushers: Ann Finch, Charlie Finch

June 17: *Father's Day*
 9:00 Host: Susan Andreatta
 9:00 Music: Emma Lee
 11:15 Asst.: Rev. Julia Ross Strope
 11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

June 10:
 9:00 Host: Linda Jensen
 9:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin, Elaine Penn
 11:15 Asst.: Rev. Julia Ross Strope
 11:15 Ushers: Celia Starling, Frank Starling

June 24: *Joint Service 9:00 Format*
 10:00 Asst.: Ralph Cauthen
 11:00: Hamburger/Hot Dog Brunch!

Early Gathering Hosts and 11:15 Gathering Service Assistants urgently needed!

Contact the Church Office for information or to volunteer: (336) 275-6403

Church Office Hours

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

Monthly Workday, June 2nd

We'll meet at 9:30am in the Sanctuary to share coffee and check out the task list. Just a few hours a month helps keep the church clean, neat, welcoming, and we can't do it without you! Volunteers are always needed and welcome; to volunteer, contact Lora Farlow: lora.farlow@gmail.com.

In*Spire Meditation Each Tuesday

In*Spire Meditation meets every Tuesday at noon in the Sanctuary for 20 minutes of free, group-led meditation. It's different every week, but always wonderful. It's open to the church and the community, so come enjoy some nourishment for your spirit with us. On the first Tuesday of each month, join us for a brown bag lunch in the Fellowship Hall following meditation. Join us on Tuesday, June 5th, as we share in a catered lunch to celebrate the second anniversary of the group! A \$4.00 contribution to cover the cost of lunch is requested.

IN*SPIRE
MEDITATION

EVERY TUESDAY @ NOON

Relax, Refresh and Enliven

Every Week ...

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

Higher Ground Breakfast

Join our volunteers at 10:00am on June 4th, at Higher Ground, 210 East Bessemer Ave., as we make and serve breakfast to this community group for those with HIV/AIDS. Contact Sue Stinson to volunteer or for more information: suestinson1968@yahoo.com



Weekly Wednesday Night

PCoC's weekly potluck supper group gathers at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and enjoy a delicious dinner and lively conversations with the group. Sometimes there's a program afterwards. The Sunday bulletins will have updates. On June 6th, Vance Arnold will present slides of Easter Week in Oaxaca, Mexico. Come enjoy the show!

PNC Update

The Pastoral Nominating Committee is now scheduling and conducting teleconference interviews with prospective applicants. We are receiving applications from both church-referred and self-referred applicants for our pastoral position and each is being researched and evaluated. This is a significant time for our committee as we begin to narrow our search. We appreciate your patience and support and your understanding of the requirements of this process.

June Is Jumping at PCOC!

We've got some enjoyable events coming up in the month of June, so get ready to have share some meals and music with PCoC. Here's what's happening:

- ◆ **June 2 - PCoC Work Day, 9:30am—12:00pm** Meet Lora Farlow in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for coffee and to see what the day's chore list looks like; gardening will be on the agenda, since it looks like nice weather! Just show up; no experience or expertise needed. Contact Lora Farlow (details on page 2)
- ◆ **June 3 - Communion Sunday, Both Services** The 9:00am Early Gathering will feature musical guest Will Ridenour, with music from his beautiful handmade African koura. The 11:15am Traditional Service will feature music from the PCoC choir. Both services will serve Communion to all comers; as always, visitors and guests are always welcome to partake.
- ◆ **June 4 - Monthly Breakfast at Higher Ground** On the first Monday of each month, our volunteers provide breakfast for the staff and clients of Higher Ground, Greensboro's organization assisting those who are HIV/AIDS positive or who have active AIDS. Contact Sue Stinson to volunteer (details on page 2)
- ◆ **June 5 - In*Spire Meditation Second Anniversary Celebration** The meditation group begun here at PCoC two years ago is thriving and growing! The group meets every Tuesday at 12:00pm in the Sanctuary for 20 minutes of meditation. It's led by a different group member each week. On the first Tuesday of each month, we follow up with a shared brown bag lunch afterwards in the Fellowship Hall, and this month, it's an extra-special second anniversary celebration featuring a catered meal from Mythos Grill. Attendees are asked to contribute \$4.00 each to cover costs. Guests and visitors are always welcome!
- ◆ **June 9 - Abundant Life Workshop with Nancy Pitkin and Elaine Penn** Meet Nancy and Elaine at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall to begin this fascinating workshop in personal growth. See the details on page 4! There is no fee to attend, but a love offering will be taken.
- ◆ **June 17 - Father's Day** Celebrate this special day with music at our 9:00am Early Gathering by local rising singer Emma Lee, and enjoy music by the PCoC Bell Choir at the 11:15am Traditional Gathering!
- ◆ **June 20 - Dinner and A Show!** The Fellowship Committee is serving a special dinner at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall, featuring a salad bar and baked potatoes, drinks, and cookies. **Please sign up on the clipboard on the back table in the Sanctuary if you plan to attend; this will help us purchase supplies!** At 6:45pm, the action moves to the Fellowship Hall for a musical extravaganza; our illustrious PCoC choir will entertain with pop favorites; the Barbershop Quartet will perform, as well as special guests Melvin Holland on sax and Pastor Mark Sandlin, and Elaine Penn. Come share the fun!
- ◆ **24 - Joint Service at 10:00am and Hamburger/Hot Dog Lunch at 11:00am** We'll share a Joint Service in the Early Gathering format with music from Nancy Pitkin and Elaine Penn, then the Fellowship Committee will treat us to a lunch in honor of Ken Conrad, who presided over many summer cookouts at PCoC. Burgers and dogs, sides, drinks and desserts will help us kick off the week in a delicious way!

Abundant Life Class Part 3: Using Your Gifts & Manifesting Your Dreams



**June 9, 2018
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Presbyterian Church of
The Covenant
501 S Mendenhall St.
Greensboro, NC 27403**



Join Nancy Pitkin and Elaine Penn as they take you on a journey towards using your gifts, manifesting your dreams and making the world a better place. Combining original music, storytelling, sound healing, toning, heart-opening conversations, visioning, color and light meditations and creative gesture, you will:

- Connect deeply to Spirit and to each other.
- Tap into your intuition and imagination. Hear the messages from Spirit guiding you on your life's journey.
- Explore the synchronicities in your life, and how they hold the key to knowing what gifts are emerging through you,
- Let go of anything that no longer serves you.
- Tap into the blessings that are all around you.
- Start to manifest your dreams and raise the vibration of the planet!

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