

March 2019

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
10:20-11:00	Study Groups
11:15-12:00	Second Service

Important Dates ...

Mar. 2: Monthly Work Day,
9:30am—12:00pm, F. Hall

Mar. 3: Communion Sunday,
Both services, open to all.

Mar. 4: Higher Ground
Breakfast, 201 E. Bessemer,
10:00am

Mar. 5: In*Spire Meditation,
12:00pm, Sanctuary, and
Brown Bag Lunch at 12:30pm
in Fellowship Hall

March 10: SPRING AHEAD!
Daylight Savings Time begins

Mar. 12: Session Meeting,
6:00 pm, Faselso Room

Mar. 12: Sierra Club, 7:00pm,
Fellowship Hall

Mar. 17: St. Patrick's Day

Mar. 20: Vernal Equinox

Mar. 25: College Hill
Neighborhood Assn. meeting,
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Mar. 26: ARC meeting,
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Session Meeting Minutes, February 12, 2019

We are still attempting to obtain a new snow removal service provider for clearing our parking lots; our former provider has retired.

Nancy Schaefer was elected as PCoC Treasurer for 2019. Annie Oakley was elected as PCoC Clerk for 2019.

The Session approved the 2018 Statistical Report, which has been submitted to Salem Presbytery.

The Session approved the changes to our Human Resources manual and to our employment application, as requested by Salem Presbytery.

A lot of progress has been made in moving the music from the old Music Room on the third floor to the new Music Room on the second floor (room 206). After going through over 70 years' worth of music, what will no longer be used will be donated to UNCG's music library. \$250 was spent to move the heavy furniture.

The Resource Committee reports that we are still under budget. While giving has slowed, revenues from sales of parking passes have exceeded expectations. Expenses were under budget, except for building expenses due to moving of classrooms and the pastor's office, and repairs to the building. These expenditures put us over budget by \$700.

Lem Cox is presently researching candidates to repair the pews in the Sanctuary.

The Building & Grounds Committee has requested approximately \$750 to replace damaged flooring in an After Gateway classroom.

The Congregational Care report for January: Four providers served nine individuals. Jane Cauthen visited, called, and consulted with Charlene Holler to nine members.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of Session

March Sunday Service Information

Mar. 3: *Communion Sunday*
 9:00 Host: Elsie Hutchens
 9:00 Music: Scott Manring
 11:15 Asst.: Ralph Cauthen
 11:15 Music: Dave Fox
 11:15 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Celia Starling

Mar. 17: *Happy St. Patrick's Day*
 9:00 Host: TBA
 9:00 Music: TBA
 11:15 Asst.: Julie Strobe
 11:15 Music: Nancy Pitkin
 11:15 Ushers: Celia Starling, Frank Starling

Mar. 31:
 9:00 Host: TBA
 9:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin
 11:15 Asst.: Julie Strobe
 11:15 Music: Nancy Pitkin
 11:15 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Barry Barber

Mar. 10: *Time Change!*
 9:00 Host: Gratia Wright
 9:00 Music: Bill Smith
 11:15 Asst.: Julie Strobe
 11:15 Music: Dave Fox
 11:15 Ushers: Ann Finch, Charlie Finch

Mar. 24:
 9:00 Host: TBA
 9:00 Music: Betsy Bevan
 11:15 Asst.: TBA
 11:15 Music: Dave Fox
 11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox



Church Office Hours

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

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

Chancel Choir: 4:00pm, Mar. 4, Mar. 25
 Men's Quartet: 2:45pm, Mar. 11; 4:00pm, Mar. 18
 Bell Choir: 5:30pm, Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25
 The choirs are always seeking new voices. Contact Nancy Pitkin: nancypitkin@aol.com

Monthly Work Day, Sat. Mar. 2nd

Meet at 9:30am in the Sanctuary to share coffee and the chore list...might be lawn care, might be indoor work. We can't do it without you! Email Lora Farlow to volunteer at: lora.farlow@gmail.com

Update Your Contact Information

Have you changed your address? Your email? Got a new cell phone number? Please let the church office know! We want to stay in touch with you and keep you informed of news and special events. Contact us at (336) 275-6403 or at pcoc2010@gmail.com.

Every Week ...

Mon.: 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, March 4th

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

In*Spire Meditation Each Tuesday

In*Spire Meditation meets every Tuesday at noon in the Sanctuary for 20 minutes of meditation. It's free, open to the community and led by members. Join our monthly brown bag lunch in the Fellowship Hall following meditation on Tuesday, March 5th.

Weekly Wednesday Night Supper

PCoC's weekly potluck supper group meets at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and enjoy dinner and conversations with the group.

PNC Update

The PNC is working to schedule meetings between PCoC, the Salem Presbytery Commission on Ministry and the candidates under consideration. This is the next step on our journey to select a candidate.

PCoC 2019 Capital Campaign Kicks Off!

The lunch to celebrate the beginning of the 2019 Capital Campaign was a huge success. Members enjoyed the hot lunch prepared by Joy Saleeby, Joyce Powers, Charlene Holler, and Cathy Routley, consisting of beef tips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, and hot apple crisp for dessert. Session members served beverages and desserts. Julie Strope put together beautiful spring flowers as table decorations.

A Capital Campaign is needed to raise funds to reduce the principal on the loan from the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program that was awarded in December, 2018. The church borrowed \$30,000 from the PILP and was also awarded a grant of \$10,000. These amounts helped pay for the installation of the new heating system which has been keeping us warm this winter. The first \$5,000 received from the Capital Campaign will be used to pay down the debt. The rest of the amount pledged will be split equally between debt reduction and other improvements. George Lockhart, resource committee member, announced that \$10,000 is already pledged for the capital campaign, of which \$5,000 is a “matching” gift. If pledges are made as part of a gift of \$5,000, a “matching gift” will increase the amount to \$10,000!

After a slide show by Mitch Fore depicting some possible repair projects, Tom Taylor encouraged members and attendees to think about other work they wanted to see done to the church’s property. These ideas were collected on a bulletin board and will be reviewed by the Resource Committee and the Session. Pledge “cards” were handed out and those interested in contributing were asked to bring their pledges on Sunday, March 17th, when a short service of “thanksgiving” will be held. Pledges can also be mailed to the church office or added to the Sunday offering basket. For those who were not able to attend the lunch or do not have one, a copy of the pledge form is available on the back table in the Sanctuary or in the church office.



Welcome to PCoC's Newest Tenant, Allegro Music Therapy

Allegro Music Therapy & Education Services Inc. is excited to be part of the PCoC community. We have just moved into Room 221. Jane, Ciara and Alyssa are board certified Music Therapists as well as talented and caring music educators/musicians. Allegro offers the following for adults and children:

- ◆ Individual and Group Music Therapy (music for non-musical goals)
- ◆ Music for Wellness
- ◆ Piano, Guitar, Voice, Ukulele lessons
- ◆ Adapted lessons
- ◆ Music and Movement for Mom and Me
- ◆ MusicPlus (music enrichment program for young children)

Beginning in April, we will offer Adult and Child ukulele and guitar classes and a Women's Empowerment Drum group.

In addition to our PCoC location, we also have classes downtown at the Cultural Arts Center. Email or call us for scheduling and pricing. To celebrate our new location, all PCoC church members receive 20% off services.

For information, email us at: Jane@allegromusictherapy.com or allegromusictherapy@gmail.com; or check out our Facebook page (Allegro Music Therapy & Education Services), or our website: allegromusictherapy.com, or call us: (336) 681-8104. We look forward to meeting you.



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