

July 2019

Presbyterian Church of the Covenant



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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 ...

July 1: Higher Ground
Breakfast, 201 E. Bessemer,
10:00am

July 2: In*Spire Meditation,
12:00pm, Sanctuary, and
Brown Bag Lunch at 12:30pm
in Fellowship Hall

July 4: Happy 4th of July!
Office Closed for Holiday

July 7: Communion Sunday,
Both services, open to all.

July 9: Session Meeting, 6:00
pm, Faselso Room

July 9: Sierra Club, 7:00pm,
Fellowship Hall

July 22: College Hill
Neighborhood Assn. meeting,
7:00pm, Parlor

July 23: ARC meeting,
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall



The Covenant Compendium

Session Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2019

Final details concerning Rev. Mark Sandlin's Installation Service were discussed. Salem Presbytery requested that an offering be taken up during the service. We discussed placing a notice in the News & Record (we did).

PCoC and U-Kirk will host the monthly Salem Presbytery Meeting on November 10, 2020. A committee will be formed in 2020 for planning the details of the meeting, meals, etc.

PCoC is over budget by \$10,212. Part of that is due to building repairs, which includes repairs for the second and third floor bathrooms. We have contacted two vendors to provide estimates for needed roof repairs. We are also making repairs to the pews in the Sanctuary.

The Nursery is closed and locked for the summer; there is no one to supervise children, oversee nursery maintenance, or cleanup. We have created a "Kids' Box", available on the back table in the Sanctuary, which contains books, crayons, and coloring pages, for small children to use during the services. There is also no children/youth program this summer, as we currently have no children's program leader

The Session plans to invite the Director of the UNCG's Center for New North Carolinians program Thriving at Three, Krycya Flores, to the June 30th Joint Service to make a short presentation about the program.

Jane Cauthen, our Pastoral Care Associate, served four people with visits and calls, and two other providers were involved with four individuals in June.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of Session

July Sunday Service Information

July 7: *Communion Sunday*
9:00 Host: Gratia Wright
9:00 Music: Joel Landau
11:15 Asst.: Ann Finch
11:15 Music: Dave Fox
11:15 Ushers: Celia Starling, Frank Starling

July 21:
9:00 Host.: Tara Brown/ Elsie Hutchens
9:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Asst.: Julie Strope
11:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Barry Barber

July 14:
9:00 Host: David Johnson
9:00 Music: Kristy Jackson
11:15 Asst.: Julie Strope
11:15 Music: Dave Fox
11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

July 28:
9:00 Host.: Linda Jensen
9:00 Music: Doug Baker
11:15 Asst.: Julie Strope
11:15 Music: Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Ushers: Ann Finch, Charlie Finch

Church Office Hours

Mark Sandlin: Mon.—Thurs., 9:00am-3:00pm
Kate Baird: Mon.—Friday, 9:00am-4:30pm

No Monthly Work Day in July

All the volunteers have worked so long and hard this year so far that we're giving them a break in July! Stay cool and enjoy the time off. The monthly Work Day will resume in August.

Higher Ground Breakfast, July 1st

Join our volunteers at 10:00am on July 1st 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. Donations welcome!

In*Spire Meditation Each Tuesday

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

Volunteers Needed!

We need YOU! Volunteers are always needed to act as service hosts on Sunday mornings; to provide snacks at Sunday Fellowship times; to assist with Monthly Work Days (which only take 3 hours!); to help with the Wed. Night Fellowship Suppers; and to help with fellowship meals. Sign up today; contact the Church Office for information or to help out.

Every Week ...

Mon.: 5:30pm, Yoga, Parlor **
 6:00m, 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!

Weekly Wednesday Night Supper

PCoC's weekly potluck supper group meets at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy dinner and conversations with the group. Everyone is welcome; contributions are welcomed but not required. Come join us for fun, food, fellowship!

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

The choirs are on hiatus and will resume in the fall.

Apply for the Farrell Scholarship

Applications for the Farrell Scholarship are available now through the end of July for interested students of all ages. Please contact the church office for an application form, at pcoc2010@gmail.com or drop by in person, M—F 9:00am—4:00pm.

Do You Have New Contact Info?

If you've changed phone numbers, email addresses, or moved, please remember to contact the church office with your updated information. We need to be able to contact you with news, updates, or changes to services or meetings. Thanks!

A Note From Rev. Sandlin

Dear Church Family,

I wanted to take a moment to give thanks for all you did to make our Installation Service such a success.

First, though, I need to recognize the Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) and all the hard work they did to help us arrive at this point. Serving on a PNC can be grueling, and our committee was no exception. I thank the members for how seriously they took their work and for extending me an offer. I'm honored and very excited about our future together.

Additionally, thanks to the Fellowship Committee and all those involved in making the Reception so wonderful. The Fellowship Hall looked fantastic, the food was delicious, and the hospitality you showed was exceptional. Thanks to you all.

I'd also like to thank all of you who attended the Installation Service. It was a joy to be sharing that moment with all of you as we begin to move into this new stage in the life of Presbyterian Church of the Covenant.

Finally, I'd like to thank two folks who are all-too-frequently the unsung heroes, at least publicly. I mean, we all talk with each other about how great they are, but I'd like to take a moment here to thank Kate Baird and Mark Cable for all the behind-the-scenes work they do. Please know, what you do not only doesn't go unnoticed, but we are all very grateful for what you do and for having you as part of our church family. PEACE! Mark Sandlin



“When We Eat, They Eat” Food Drive

Donate canned or dry food items to benefit the food pantry of Greensboro Urban Ministry, which feeds over a thousand people a month. We are accepting donations for the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary, and in the Fellowship Hall.

Whenever we have Communion (Sunday, July 7th), or a meal, such as our weekly Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper, or at our meals following Joint Services (next meal will be August 25th), please bring food items to donate. Volunteers will transport it to GUM. This is an ongoing effort; make it part of your weekly visit to PCoC!



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