



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 ...

Aug. 3: Monthly Work Day, 9:30am—12:00pm, meet in the Fellowship Hall

Aug. 4: Communion Sunday, Both services, open to all.

Aug. 5: Higher Ground Breakfast, 201 E. Bessemer, 10:00am

Aug. 5: Parking Passes go on sale!

Aug. 6 In*Spire Meditation, 12:00pm, Sanctuary, and Brown Bag Lunch at 12:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Aug. 6: Natl. Night Out!

Aug. 13: Sierra Club, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Aug. 19: Celebration of Life, Glenda Selman (AGI), 10:00am, Fellowship Hall

Aug. 25: JOINT SERVICE, 10:00am, & Ice Cream Social

Aug. 26: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. meeting, 7:00pm, Parlor

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



The Covenant Compendium

Session Meeting Minutes, July 9, 2019

The Session met with prospective new members Ruth Metheny, Harry Hayes, and Mike Thompson to accept them into the membership of Covenant. We welcome them into our community.

The Rental Guidelines prepared by the Building and Grounds Committee were approved.

There will be a Session Retreat July 26, 2019, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at PCoC.

Unity requested a rent reduction due to changes in spaces used. They are currently meeting in their office space on Sunday mornings and are searching for a new minister. Session approved.

Tom Taylor was elected Commissioner for the August 17 Presbytery Meeting in Jamestown.

Covenant's Staff had reviewed the requirements to become a glass recycling site. It was determined that we do not have the necessary space for the facility, nor a good locale, or 24/7 accessibility. The College Hill Neighborhood Association is searching for a neighborhood site.

Salem Presbytery has notified its congregations that 2019 giving is down. They are working to determine how gifts will be used and ask churches to give more.

The Worship committee has been working with PCoC's music staff to create new 2020 contracts. Personnel and Worship will meet in August to finalize these.

Glenda Selman, the business manager for After Gateway, recently lost her battle with cancer. In her memory, Gateway would like to plant a rose bush in the rear courtyard. Lem Cox suggested that Covenant also donate a rose bush.

Recycling bins have been moved to the rear courtyard since the prior location outside the Fellowship Hall led to trash being placed in the cans.

The second and third floor bathrooms have been painted and cleaned.

The Communications committee is moving forward on improving our website.

The Fellowship committee plans an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 25th, to follow the morning's 10:00am Joint Service.

The Outreach committee notes that the director of Mary's House is having health issues. Mark Sandlin will check on the progress of the fundraiser we plan to hold for them.

"Hot Meals and Hope" is going well; so is the ongoing collection of food for Urban Ministry.

Congregational Care providers served 6 people this month.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of Session

August Sunday Service Information

August 4: ***Communion Sunday***
9:00 Host: Chewan Moore
9:00 Music: Elsie Hutchens
11:15 Asst.: TBA
11:15 Music: Elsie Hutchens
11:15 Ushers: Celia Starling, Frank Starling

August 11:
9:00 Host: Linda Jensen
9:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Asst.: Julie Strobe
11:15 Music: Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

August 18:
9:00 Host.: Susan Andreatta
9:00 Music: Lynne Haeseler
11:15 Asst.: Julie Strobe
11:00 Music: Dave Fox
11:15 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Barry Barber

August 25: ***Joint Service & Ice Cream Social***
10:00 Host.: David Johnson
10:00 Music: Dave Fox

Church Office Hours

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

Monthly Work Day in August

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, August 5th

Join our volunteers at 10:00am on August 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 after meditation on Tuesday, August 6th

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

Here's the Choir rehearsal schedule for August:

Choir: 4:00pm on 8/12, 8/19, 8/26 with Dave Fox
Men's Quartet: 5:30pm on 8/12, 8/19, 8/26 with Nancy Pitkin

Farrell Scholarship Applications

Applications for the Farrell Scholarship are available now through the end of August for interested students of all ages. Please contact the church office for an application form, or drop by in person.

New Contact Info?

If any of your contact information changes, be sure to let the church office know!

Outreach Corner

The Outreach Committee is becoming active at PCOC! We are currently focusing on ongoing projects for several organizations: Thriving At Three (TAT); Mary's House; When We Eat, They Eat; and Higher Ground. We are writing a grant for Mary's House and anticipate an upcoming fundraising event. Higher Ground is supported by individual contributions and will need additional funds in October.

Thriving at Three is supported by PCoC volunteers and you can make donations via their website:

<https://cnnc.uncg.edu/thriving-at-three/> or by purchasing items on their Amazon.com wish list:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1G65ZRYKKT1YV?ref=wl_share

We are also identifying short-term outreach projects, calling them "One-Hit Wonders". Have an idea for a project? Write it down and put it in the collection basket on a Sunday, or email the church office: pcoc2010@gmail.com. We'll be sure to consider all ideas. Thanks!

Joint Service & Ice Cream Social on August 25th!

We will share a joint service at 10:00am on Sunday, August 25th, in the Early Gathering format. Enjoy the morning further by staying after the service for an ice cream social in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a ice cream bar featuring several flavors of ice cream and many different toppings to enhance your creations. A sign-up sheet will be on the table at the back of the Sanctuary to volunteer to contribute toppings and for assistance with set-up or clean-up. Contributions will gladly be accepted to help cover costs.

"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, August 4th), 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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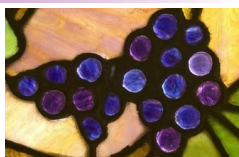
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