

October 2024



Presbyterian Church of the Covenant



The Covenant Compendium

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Sunday Morning Schedule
11:00am in the Sanctuary

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livestream sites

Important Dates ...

2024 Office hours:

Rev. Dr. Sandlin:
M appt. only; W, Th., 9-3
Kate Baird: M-F, 9-3

Oct. 6: World Communion
Day, Communion for all

Oct. 6: CROP Walk

Oct. 8: Sierra Club, 6:00pm

Oct. 9: Session Mtg.,
6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Oct. 11: Out of The Garden
Project, 2:00pm

Oct. 13: Pennies 4 Hunger
Collection

Oct. 14: Indigenous Peo-
ples Day

Oct. 15: Personnel Comm.
Mtg., 6:00pm, Fellowship
Hall

Oct. 21: Outreach Comm.
Mtg., 2:00pm; Fellowship
Comm. Mtg., 3:00pm

Oct. 26: Work Day, 9:30am,
Fellowship Hall

Oct. 27: Stewardship
Lunch & Meeting, 12:00pm,
Fellowship Hall

Oct. 28: CHNA Mtg.,
6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

A Letter from Reverend Sandlin

PCoC Members:

For those of you who were not able to be at this past Sunday's update from the Revisioning Committee, I have an update for you. We have had a setback.

The developer that was part of the group from whom we expected a purchase offer decided that the job was more than they could take on in a couple of ways. They had a job they were already working on that is running 4-to-6 months over so they didn't feel they had the resources to commit to do this job as well. Also, the structure of their buy-in meant getting their investment back over a longer period of time than they were used to, so ultimately (at the last minute), they decided that they could not financially justify that.

The good news is that, based on our previous experience, the Revisioning Committee began establishing a second course of action several months ago just in case something like this happened. There is another investment/developer group who are interested in the property. We have reached out to them to let them know they are now our primary interest for the sale of the property and will update you as we get more information from them. I

It's certainly been a long road with several ups and downs, but we are fortunate to have such a capable committee and such a supportive community. Let us move forward together in the faith that we will find our solution and begin a new life together in our old building full of memories and new potential!

PEACE!

Mark

Sunday Service Information, October 2024

October 6:

Music: Stephanie Lindley
Usher: Clara Kelly

October 13: *Pennies 4 Hunger*

Music: Stephanie Lindley
Usher: Celia Starling

October 20:

Music: Stephanie Lindley
Ushers: Nancy Schaefer

October 27: *Stewardship Mtg. & Lunch*

Music: Stephanie Lindley
Usher: Clara Kelly

Session Meeting Minutes, September 11th, 2024

NEW BUSINESS:

Elder Nominating Committee: Mark has contacted the Class of 2024 Session members to form a committee to begin the process of selecting 3 members for the class of 2027.

OLD BUSINESS

Revisoning Update/offer on buildings: Flywheel notified us that it needed more time to finalize its proposal. The Revisoning Committee met to decide how to proceed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resource Committee: Spending patterns have remained the same, with no big repairs lately. The Committee is planning for the annual Stewardship Luncheon on Oct. 27th.

Worship: We will observe World Communion Sunday on Oct. 6th with communion.

Spiritual Formation: Sunday Study group continues reading of Jim Dollar's online Manifesto. The Group is seeking someone to accept responsibility for setting up the equipment at church to enable hybrid Zoom/in person meetings.

Buildings and Grounds: No building news.

Grounds: Clara has ordered a second yard waste can from the City. Mowing is being done on an as-needed basis. The monthly work day on Oct. 28th will probably be rescheduled, as on that day the Outreach Committee will prepare and serve lunch to a Habitat Work Crew.

Fellowship: The September fellowship luncheon was on Sunday, Sept. 15th. Ralph shared copies of the Committee's upcoming schedule, which details who will be in charge of various activities.

Outreach: The monthly Out of the Garden workday continues; Pennies for Hunger has collected over \$530 so far this year. Vandalia Food Pantry had 4 volunteers on 9/3; we will provide Habitat workers lunch on 9/28 and breakfast on 10/5; the Greater Greensboro CROP Walk is on 10/06; partnered with UKirk for Pride Festival on 9/22.

Personnel: The Committee has scheduled an evaluation for Rev. Sandlin.

Congregational Care Report: In August, there were 51 contacts by 6 providers.



October News & Events

- 10/05: Outreach Committee serving breakfast to Habitat volunteers.
 Unity youth event, Fellowship Hall, 12:00pm—6:00pm
 Tate St. Festival, arts & music festival on Tate St., 1:00pm—7:00pm
- 10/06: World Communion Sunday; Communion served during our weekly 11:00am service; it's open to everyone!
- 10/06: Greensboro CROP Walk, 2:00pm, Barber Park. To join our team or make an online donation, log onto: events.crophungerwalk.org and search for the box that says "search for your walk, team, or an individual walker". Type in Presbyterian Church of the Covenant. Donations may be made at the Sunday service; make checks to PCoC, with CROP Walk in the memo line.
- 10/08: Sierra Club, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- 10/09: Session meeting, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- 10/11: Out of The Garden Project
- 10/13: Pennies for Hunger donation during the Sunday service
- 10/15 Personnel Comm., 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- 10/21: Outreach Comm., 2:00pm, Fellowship Hall; Resource Comm., 3:00pm
- 10/27: PCoC Annual Stewardship Luncheon, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- 10/27: Unity Trunk or Treat, 3:00pm—8:00pm, main parking lot
- 10/28: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. mtg., 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Hurricane Helene Relief Efforts

We all have friends or family or neighbors who were devastated by last week's incredible storm. Many people lost everything; relief efforts by federal and local governments and groups are well underway, with services and volunteers from all over.

We all can help with national and local relief efforts. Many wonderful local organizations and businesses have ongoing donation drives for supplies to the western NC counties. See the websites of stores, vets, farm goods providers, any group you can think of who might be organizing relief efforts. There are too many to list here.

Here's a few ways we can help donate online:

The Red Cross: <https://www.redcross.org/local/north-carolina.html>

NC government: <https://nc.gov/donate>

PCUSA: <http://pcusa.org>



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Join us Online for Services and Fellowship

On Sundays at 11:00am, our service is broadcast live at these sites:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCar8ZVg434DF1uTtL86JEhg> (YouTube)

<https://www.facebook.com/PCoC.GSO/>

<https://www.facebook.com/revmarksandlin>

<https://www.facebook.com/marksandlin>

<https://www.facebook.com/TheChristianLeft>

<https://www.facebook.com/christiansmisrepresented>

<https://www.facebook.com/thegodarticle>

And see us on Meetup.com at:

[Meetup.com/Presbyterian-Church-of-the-Covenant](https://www.meetup.com/Presbyterian-Church-of-the-Covenant)

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