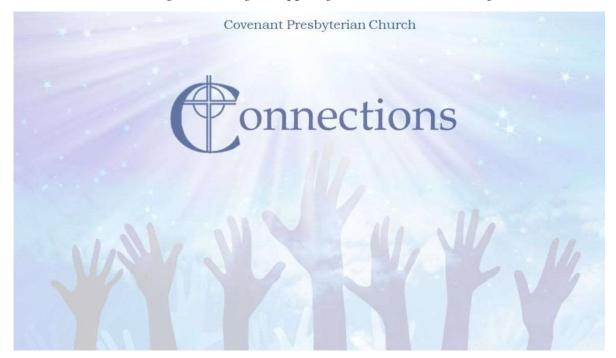
Covenant Presbyterian Church

A Loving Community to Support you on Your Faith Journey!



Hello and welcome to the August issue of Connections! Please remember: be sure to click OPEN when your email provider delivers your newsletter so you don't miss any content.

While you are reading this month's newsletter: if you see a word or phrase in **bold** and summer grass **green** like **THIS**, or if you see the word **HERE**, click on it! These are links that will automatically open a website or document. Enjoy the summer!

From Your Session

As we near the end of this days-long heat wave, it can be difficult to rejoice in nature as our skin sizzles in the sun and the beads of sweat begin to drip down our face the second we walk outside. I look at my garden and as much as I try to water, I know that it won't be enough to keep my poor hydrangea bushes from looking sad and wilted.

Living in New Jersey, we have the benefit of experiencing all 4 seasons. Often, however, we find ourselves looking towards the next one. "It's too hot, I wish it was fall!", "It's too cold. No more snow. I want spring!" "It's so rainy, I wish it was warm and dry." It is easy to want what we don't currently have. The grass is always greener...although in this case, my grass is brown and dry.

But when the heat has me down, I try to think about all of the positives of the season that we are in. Another benefit of living in New Jersey, is the produce! Nothing beats a plump Jersey tomato on a BLT or a corn on the cob fresh from the farm slathered in butter. And don't forget about the blueberries! I think about all the blessings I have. I live in a house with air conditioning and

think of those who do not have this luxury. I think of the beach and the close proximity we live to the Jersey shore. What great memories have been made there. I think of the extra time together children get to spend with their families now that school is out for the summer. I think of family vacations travelling near and far and the fond memories I have. I think of my garden, though it is struggling through the heat. I look at the multitude of blooms and the bees and butterflies that find solitude and life in them. I look out my back windows and see the variety of birds enjoying the seeds and berries and the chipmunks and the squirrels gathering their meals. This year, I even have a lizard that has made a home in my yard. While I love autumn, I am making the choice this year to stay present in the season of summer while it lasts. I am choosing to have a positive outlook. I am choosing to exult in the beauty and splendor of summer. After all, God has created all of this for us. We can choose to be hot and miserable, or we can choose to embrace the heat and sunlight and all of the wonderous things that these bring.

Psalms 74:17 It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter.

Mandy Rosica

August Worship & Music Schedule

August Worship Schedule:

August 7: Lynne Trout August 14: Beth Thomas August 21: Betty Herskovitz August 28: Dave Cassie

August Music:

Calling Bell Ringers! We are still planning on having bell quartets with rehearsals after the service on Sundays starting at 11AM and lasting no more than twenty minutes. We have a huge selection of all of your favorite hymn arrangements! Please contact Music Director, Greg DiBona, if you are interested in participating.

Throughout August, you will hear organ and piano preludes, postludes and special music selections from Joel Raney, Philip Keveren, Glenda Austin, J. S. Bach, G. F. Handel and many more! We hope to see you on Sunday mornings!

Don't be a Stranger. Be Social!

Links to Facebook page, Live streaming services, YouTube and Church Website all in one place. Just click on the buttons and stay connected!



Don't miss out on staying connected to your church family. Use the links below to worship with live streaming services on Facebook. Our YouTube channel is a repository for past services. You can access videos, the website and streaming services right from this email! Just click on the buttons for a direct link!

Visit the Covenant Facebook Page

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Our Church Family



Happy August Birthday to you!

Beth Dudley, 3
Kathy Hood, 12
Lisa Grace, 13
Craig Slater, 15
Molly Day, 15
Susan Wilhelm, 18
Sarah Scioli, 20
Matthew Crepps 22
Dave DuBois, 24
Laurie Minieri, 25
Doug Wilhelm, 26
Susan Staub, 26
Sandi Pascone, 28
Chuck Rosica, 29

Deacons Collecting School Supplies

The Deacons are collecting school supplies for Catholic Charities in Burlington. There is a box in the narthex for collection. We will take supplies until Thursday, August 11.

Suggested supplies: Backpacks, Lunchboxes, 3 ring binders, Notebook Paper, Folders, Composition, notebooks, Spiral notebooks, Book



socks, #2 Pencils, Colored pencils, Crayons, Glue sticks, Washable markers, Highlighters, Rulers & protractors, Pencil sharpeners, Pencil cases, Erasers, Scissors, Index cards.

New Directories

Hot off the press! New member directories are available. Get your copy at the back of the church!

Relay for Life 2022: Sign Up for Our Team NOW!



Covenant will be once again participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event September 24th. We are looking for Team Members to walk with us! Can't make the walk? We also have a donation page.

Sign up to walk here: I want to WALK!

If you can't make the walk but want to donate: I want to DONATE!

Questions? Contact Amanda Rosica

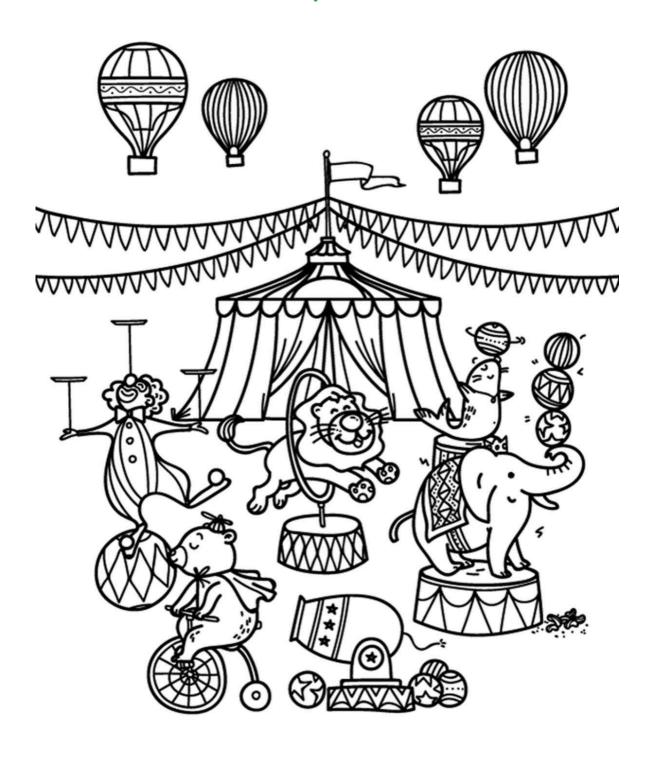
Your Help is Needed: Volunteer!

Your church needs you! Please consider volunteering to speak and read and Sunday Service. Contact anyone of your deacons.

We also need volunteers for the Nursery. Contact Bonnie Cain

Fun & Games!

Kids Korner Activity



Click on the image to open a printable version.

Adult Diversion: Word Search

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Gifts of the Holy Spirit are not presents that we could see or touch, but special power to do God's work. Find the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

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- ENCOURAGE

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Faithfully Funny...



Different Covenant - but same sentiment!

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