

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you are here. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join with us in service to Christ.

Please join us in the library immediately after worship for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

The congregation expresses its deepest sympathy to Gary & Anne Smith and their family in the death of Gary's mother, Elizabeth (Betty) Smith.

This morning we **welcome to our pulpit the Rev. Dr. James McClanahan**. Jim is a graduate of Belhaven College, and Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, and has earned the Th.M. and Ph.D. from Union Theological Seminary in Virginia. He teaches Bible and religion at King College in Bristol.

The pastor will be out of the office until October 26th. If you have an emergency, please call the church office at 282-5324.

Today at Covenant

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| Morning Greeter: | Jim Starr |
| Liturgist: | Cheryl Rice |
| Organist: | Dr. David Runner |
| Acolytes: | Julia Hagelberg Grace Madden |
| Chimer: | Linden Hillhouse |
| Gateway: | Valerie Robertson |
| Nursery: | Bobbie Carroll |
| Coffee Hosts: | Men's Bible Study |

Church Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Sharon H. Amstutz, cpcjctn_pastor@mounet.com
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Nursery: Jeanne Gamble
Custodian: Marie Britt

People in our Prayers

The Smith family, Roger Hecht, Peter Block, Bob Hunter (Hal's brother), Walter Schneider (Linda Dulin's father), Christian James Ward (baby of friend of Sue Crandall), Bob Thompson (Phyllis Thompson's father), Jean Merriss, Anna Welker (friend of the Sutter's), George Gardner (the Willis' brother-in-law), Lane Johnson (CB Willis' cousin), Harriette Carr, the Slawson Family, Ed & Marie Britt, Pat Adams, Karen Kornweibel & Daniel Newcomer (friends of Phyllis Thompson), Bill Bader (Steve's brother), Stephanie Muncie (friend of Hines family), Shelly Thornton (Gwen Hunter's cousin's 4-year old granddaughter), Corrine Broyles, Julia Trifiletti, Aneita Carr, Agnes Plank, Helene Herbert

If you know of other reasons for rejoicing or concerns you would like to share with others please complete a prayer card with your requests.

REMINDER: Middler Youth Retreat – “Follow the Signs” at Holston Presbytery Camp – Banner Elk, November 20–22. Register now! Get Flyer with Registration Form from Andy! (due by Nov. 16th)

Join the **Senior Travelers this Wednesday, October 21st**, for our Fall leaf trip to the Blue Ridge Parkway, the Little Switzerland Chalet for lunch, and an hour or two at the Orchard at Altapass, where we will shop and listen, even dance if you wish, to the mountain music of Tom Sparks (CB's cousin). Share gas expense and buy your own lunch. Meet at the Church at **10:01 a.m.** Get back in time for the Wednesday evening activities at Church. Join us for this wonderful Fall day. Sign up in the Narthex.

Announcing the December Senior Travelers Trip! Date: December 11th – The group rate is \$6.00 per adult. The **Senior Travelers** will visit **Rocky Mount** for the **Candlelight Christmas tour**. There will be music, dancing, decorations, and sacred tales during this magical candle-lit evening. We have reservations beginning at 6:30 p.m. on December 11th. At this time they are holding 30 slots for us. They usually take 15 per tour. Please check your calendars and sign up in the Narthex before November 1st so that we can give them a true number. After the tour all are invited to George and Bobbie Carroll's home for punch and cookies. This will be a great way to begin the Christmas celebrations.

Join us **next Sunday, October 25th, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall for our next **ConneX** worship experience. The service will be followed by a light dinner. (Childcare will be provided.)

Watch those Sale\$! **Good Samaritan** has asked us again this year to supply **800 cans of peas** for the Thanksgiving baskets they give out. This is just a small part of the “Food for Life: Neighbor Helping Neighbor” campaign. This fits with our 10-10-10 collection theme since some of the grocery stores in the area run 10 for \$10 sales from time to time. Watch for the sales and bring your cans of peas to church **any time between now & November 8th**. The collection bins will be marked and in several locations throughout the church. As they can purchase the items without sales tax, they will also gladly accept any monetary donations. Thank you, the Mission & Outreach Committee. (So far, the best price we've seen is at Food City, 47 cents/can for Value Time brand.)

Good Samaritan needs good used **men's pants**. They can use just about any size. These are used for the men's shower services. And Good Samaritan is also starting to collect **winter coats**.

This Week at Covenant

Today, October 18

9:00a Chime Rehearsal

Tuesday, October 20

10:00a Ladies' Bible Study
7:030p Christian Ed. Comm. Mtg.
7:30p Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, October 21

9:00a Garden Club
10:01a Sr. Travelers' Trip
4:45p WNL!
7:30p Choir Practice

Thursday, October 22

8:00a Men's Bible Study
9:30a Women in the Bible
Noon Al-Anon Meeting
7:00p Hermitage Manor Board Mtg.

Have you hugged your pastor lately? October is Clergy Appreciation Month!