

GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Hal Hunter

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

SOUNDING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

"Serenade"

Hayden

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy
**All: For the Lord, the most high is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.**
Leader: God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
**All: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN # 356 (v. 1-3)

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O merciful God,
we confess that we have not acknowledged You
as the source of our successes, our substance, ourselves.
We have been far more ready to complain when things go wrong
than to praise when all is well.
We have fed our bodies a rich diet
while neglecting to feed our souls.
Power and wealth have assumed greater importance to us
than sensitivity and service.
We have allowed religious words and forms
to substitute for living encounters with the persons
You have called us to love.**

**Forgive us, compassionate Redeemer,
and grant us the opportunity to start over again.
Keep us from repeating the mistakes of the past,
or from new evils that could mislead or destroy.
In the name of Christ,
we offer our earnest prayers for pardon and deliverance.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE # 576

"Gloria, Gloria"

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING pg. 4

Matthew 5:1-11

SERMON

The Beatitudes

ANTHEM

"Angel's Voices"

Johann Friedrich Burgmüller

SCRIPTURE READING pg.

Luke 10:25-37

SERMON

The Good Samaritan

*HYMN 391 (v. 1-4)

"Take My Life"

SCRIPTURE READING pg. 25

Matthew 22:34-40

SERMON

The Greatest Commandment

Andy Irvin

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (pg. 14 – traditional version)

The Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN # 101 (v. 1-3)

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING RESPONSE# 101 (v. 4)

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

*POSTLUDE

(For some, the Postlude serves as festive music to accompany their going back out into the world. Others prefer to remain seated and listen. Those departing can help those who listen by holding their joyful greeting of others until they reach the narthex.)

*For those who are able, please stand.

****Gateway to Worship** is our worship program for 4-year olds through first graders. The Gateway leader will take the children to their classroom in the Fellowship Hall after the Children's Moments.

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FOOD FOR LIFE: NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR

"Hey, we don't have to 'pea' this year!" In fact, our contribution to Good Samaritan's "Food For Life: Neighbor Helping Neighbor" campaign will be gravy – instant gravy, that is, as well as spaghetti noodles. Covenant's goal is to collect **200 packages of dry spaghetti noodles** (not Spaghetti-Os) and **100 packages of instant gravy mix**. Many people in our region, especially this year, need our help to have a nice Thanksgiving meal. Just bring your donation to church **by Sunday, October 31st**, so that Good Sam will have time to prepare the many baskets and meals for those in need. They will appreciate it very much.

Thanks, Charles Trifiletti – Mission & Outreach Committee

(Containers for this collection are in the Narthex.)

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

Have you hugged your pastor lately?!

MIDDLER RETREAT

On November 19th – 21st the Middle School Retreat will take place at Holston Presbytery Camp. The title for this year's retreat is "OMG R U 4 Real?" We will leave on Friday at around 4:00-5:00, and we will return on Sunday afternoon. If you are interested, please take a flyer from the bulletin board. Don't hesitate to talk to Andy if you have any questions.

FALL CLEAN-UP DAY – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

Tired of seeing those dried up flowers and other vegetation around the church building from summer? Then come join the Property Committee on Saturday, November 6th for Fall Clean-up Day! We will begin bright and early at 7 a.m. and go until it is finished or until we tire out. If you can only be here for an hour, we would still greatly welcome you. Wear older clothes, bring gloves and other necessary materials, and join in the camaraderie of making Covenant look great going into the winter season!

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP CALENDAR

Sunday, (2 pm) October 28-31, See Caitlyn Morelock in "Dracula" at Northeast State.

Tuesday, November 2nd, 7 p.m. "Christian Faith & Politics" by Rev. John Shuck
Everyone is welcome to all events. All Tuesday nights begin with supper at 7 p.m. and the program to follow at 7:45 ish.

HAND CHIME CHOIR

The Hand Chime Choir is still accepting new members. It's not too late to sign up! Prior musical experience is helpful but not required. Practices are held on Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:45 a.m., (with occasional short practices on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-7:30 on the weeks that Ann is away on Sundays). Please contact Ann Freeman at 929-2552 if you are interested.

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 summer refreshments.

COMMUNION

The **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be celebrated next Sunday. Take time this week to prepare yourself in prayer and meditation.

THE NEWSLETTER

The **November Courier** can be found on the table in the narthex. **Help us save postage!** Be sure to pick up your copy!

TODAY AT COVENANT :

Morning Greeter:	Jim Starr
Gateway:	Andrea Sutter
Nursery:	Sally Nagel
Coffee Hostesses:	Jeter Collins & Helen Davis

PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE : **(in the order of their participation)**

Linden Hillhouse
Joseph Cary
Ellen Hagelberg
Sean Madden
Carolee Mabe
Blake Jones
Mark Jones
Kristin Bass
John Cary
Cameron Hopkins
Beth Amstutz
Drew Amstutz
Nik Hopkins
Julia Hagelberg
Kalli Dulin

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor:	Rev. Sharon H. Amstutz
Director of Youth Ministry:	Andy Irvin
Pianist & Interim Choir Director:	Jennifer Palmer
Secretary:	Tina Simon
Financial Secretary:	Anne Webb
Custodian:	Marie Britt

PEOPLE IN OUR PRAYERS

Diane Bowman (Mary Bowman's daughter), Bob & Estelle Armistead, Arlene Wilkinson, the family of Bob Sobol, Jim Crandall, Roger Hecht, Rose Willis, Lattie Collins, Patricia Chafin (former member of Covenant), John Brumit (Betsy Moakler's brother), Max Wilson, Helen Davis, Pat Adams, Vi Block & her family, Elva McCartt, Chris Adler Hillhouse, Arthur "Bud" & Eileen Kelsey (friends of Butch & Harriette Carr), Marvin Parker (Evelyn Kemp's cousin), Ed & Marie Britt, Corrine Broyles, Julia Trifiletti, Aneita Carr, Agnes Plank
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.

GENTLE REMIDERS

- Committee Chairs need to have their **2011 budget requests** to Gary Smith, Hal Hunter or Shirley Hines as soon as possible.
- Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 7th! (Remember to set your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!)

CHURCH DIRECTORY

The **updated Church Directory** can be found on the table in the Narthex. If you would like an electronic copy, please e-mail Tina at cpcjctn@mounet.com.

EQUAL EXCHANGE

New! Chocolate flavors – **New!** Coffee Sale – **New!** Packaging – **check it out!**

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT :

<u>Today, October 31</u>	
9:00a	Chime Choir Practice
<u>Monday, November 1</u>	
10:30a	Melting Pot
Afternoon/Evening	Fellowship Hall Reserved
<u>Tuesday, November 2</u>	
7:00p	Congregational Life Committee Meeting
7:00p	Mission & Outreach Committee Meeting
7:00p	Worship Committee Meeting
7:30p	AI-Anon Meeting
<u>Wednesday, November 3</u>	
9:00a	Jeter's Garden Club
5:00p	WNL!
7:30p	Choir Practice
<u>Thursday, November 4</u>	
8:00a	Men's Bible Study
9:30a	Women in the Bible
Noon	AI-Anon Meeting
7:00p	Christian Education Committee Meeting
<u>Friday, November 5</u>	
6:00-9:00p (see Courier article)	Open House & Art Show at The River
<u>Saturday, November 6</u>	
7:00a	Fall Church Clean-Up Day

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 31, 2010
Sunday, eleven o'clock

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Lord our God,
in Jesus Christ you have taught us
that love is the fulfilling of the law.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us,
and pour into our hearts
that most excellent gift of love,
that we may love you with our whole being,
and our neighbors as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.