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Covenant OPC is a family of followers of Christ who are committed to loving the Lord and loving each other. Our vision for ministry is to glorify God and to enjoy Him by embracing and advancing the gospel of Jesus Christ through faithful proclamation and personal witness of God's Word, actions of Christ-like love, caring fellowship and Christ-centered worship in southwestern Milwaukee, our surrounding communities and throughout the world.

We are a congregation in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church which has been proclaiming the good news of salvation from sin in Jesus Christ and planting churches throughout the United States and the world since 1936.

Covenant is a place of new beginnings, yet with its roots in the past. It is Presbyterian in that it is led by servant-leaders who serve Jesus Christ and His people. Covenant Presbyterian is a church that takes the Bible seriously. We desire to be a community that is formed and informed by His word.

The beliefs of the OPC are set forth in the Westminster Standards. These documents reflect the historical, scriptural teachings on the authority of the Bible, the necessity of faith and repentance for salvation, the conviction of salvation by grace alone and secured by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Because "Covenant" rests on the promise of God and the completed work of Christ, "Covenant" shows great promise for the future.

If you desire more information, or are interested in becoming a member of Covenant, please contact Pastor Frank at 414.541.3282.

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Welcome to
Covenant
Orthodox Presbyterian Church

To know Christ and to make him known!

*But the LORD is faithful.
He will establish you
and guard you
against the evil one.*

2 Thessalonians 3:3

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Morning Worship - 10:30 am

Prelude - please make the first note of the prelude your cue for quiet meditation

Welcome - Greeting of one another

Call to Worship the Lord: *Revelation 5:9-13*

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." ¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

God's Greeting - Prayer for God's Grace and Power to fill our lives.

Worship songs of praise to God

#69; I Will Praise Him, Still

(Blue Worship Book)

#16; Seek Ye First

(Blue Worship Book)

Hymn #9; All You That Fear Jehovah's Name

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Responsive Reading:

Romans 9:12-21, Colossians 4:2-4, Matthew 7:7-11 and Matthew 6:9-13

We listen to God and speak with Him

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #582; Yield Not to Temptation

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

We receive God's blessing and give to bless others

Tithes and Offerings

God's Word speaks to us

Scripture Reading: **Ephesians 6:10-208** (page 979 in ESV Bible)

Sermon Title: **From the Heights to the Knees (part 2)**

We respond in faith

Hymn #571; Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Benediction

Hymn #733; Doxology

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Responsive Reading

Romans 9:12-21, Colossians 4:2-4, Matthew 7:7-11 and Matthew 6:9-13

¹² she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³ As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." ¹⁴ What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means!

¹⁵ **For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."** ¹⁶ **So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy.**

¹⁷ For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth."

¹⁸ **So then he has mercy on whomever he wills, and he hardens whomever he wills.** ¹⁹ **You will say to me then, "Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?"**

²⁰ But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, "Why have you made me like this?"

²¹ **Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use?**

² Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. ³ At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word,

to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison—⁴ that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

⁷ "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

⁹ **Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent?**

¹¹ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

⁹ Pray then like this:

**"Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.**

¹⁰ **Your kingdom come,
your will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ **Give us this day our daily bread,**

¹² **and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

¹³ **And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.¹**

Sunday School - 9:15 am

Please join us for Sunday School, a great opportunity to grow in your knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and to fellowship with others around God's Word.

Children - Led by Jayne Langnes

The children's Sunday school meets in the fellowship hall.

Adults - Led by Elder John Nyenhuis

The adult Sunday school meets in the fireside room.

Custodial Care

June: Calvary Community Church
July: Covenant OPC - DeLadurantey family and Lisa Peterson
August: Calvary Community Church

Setup/Greeters

Today: DeLadurantey Family
June 19: Becky Metz
June 26: John Tremann
July 3: Lisa Peterson

Upcoming Events

June 13: Session Meeting
June 14: Community Women's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm
June 16: Community Women's Afternoon Bible Study; 1:30 pm
June 19: Father's Day
June 21: Downtown Morning Bible Study; 7:00 am
June 21: Men's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm

Covenant Praise & Prayer Requests

Praise God for the ministry of the Holy Spirit in interceding in prayer for us and through us so that we may receive the graces of the Lord to overcome Satan and evil.

Praise God that Jesus Christ has accomplished victory for those who trust Him over Satan and evil by dying our death for sin and covering us in His righteousness.

Praise God that victory over Satan comes as we acknowledge our need to empty ourselves of spiritual presumption and to lean upon the strength of Christ.

Praise God for the adult Sunday School class on the Psalms.

Person of the week to pray for: Karen Jones

Pray for John Nyenhuis and his family in the death of his Aunt Janet. Pray that the Lord will comfort and envelop them in His love during their time of loss.

Pray that we will humble ourselves of pride and daily depend upon the strength of Christ to enable us to overcome temptation and to turn away from sin by using all the armor of the Lord through the power of prayer.

Pray that the Lord will enable us to pray consistent with the mind of the Holy Spirit and the will of our Heavenly Father.

Pray for Jeff Wilhelm that the Lord will build up his immune system. Pray that the Lord will bring Jeff, Alexia, Sophia and Hannah close to Himself through these difficult months.

Pray for continued healing for Jeff Simos from hip surgery. Pray that the Lord will strengthen him and give him patience in doing his physical therapy.

Pray that we will be faithful witnesses to Christ in our homes, workplaces and neighborhoods.

Pray that the Lord would bring to us additional families for us to minister His grace and mercy to for their spiritual growth.

Pray for Matt Agen as he begins his work as a physical therapist on June 13.

Pray for Glenn Grossbier as he cares for his mother with lymphoma and grandmother with internal bleeding in her legs.

Pray for continued healing for Jane Konings hip and patience as she awaits the Lord's healing.

Pray for General Assembly of our denomination meeting this next week that the Lord will give the commissioners wisdom to advance the cause of Christ in their decision making. Pray for unity and a wonderful time of fellowship.

Pray for persecuted believers in North Korea and China.

Announcements

Prayer Chain

If you would like to place a prayer request on the prayer chain it is active from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. To place a request contact Gordon Morris at 414-526-4502.

Community Women's Evening Bible Study - Tuesday, June 14

Held at 7:00 pm at the home of Sharon Kolff. They are currently studying Matthew. Sharon's home is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are welcome for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

Community Women's Afternoon Bible Study - Thursday, June 16

Held at 1:30 pm at the home of Sharon Kolff. They are currently studying Matthew. Sharon's home is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are welcome for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

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Downtown Morning Bible Study - Tuesday, June 21

Downtown Morning Bible Study will be held Tuesday, June 21 at the 600 East Café on Wisconsin Avenue. We are currently studying the Book of Proverbs. Our next study will be on theme of wisdom in the complexities of life. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Frank, Josh Agen or Glenn Grossbier.

Men's Bible Study - Tuesday, June 21

Men of all ages are warmly invited to our Men's Bible Study in the Fireside Room. We are currently studying the book "The Hole In Our Holiness". We will meet from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Falls Church Nature Camp (Vacation Bible School) - July 18-22

Every summer, for one week, Falls Church is transformed into Nature Camp. This is a great way for kids to learn about God and his creation through stories, nature lessons, crafts, hands-on activities, games, and songs. In past years, we've learned about rocks and minerals, insects and wonderful water. This years theme will be "Birds"! We end the week on Friday evening with a hot dog supper and a program the kids put on. Camp runs M-F from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. You can register online at www.fallsopc.org/nature-camp.

Our First Informal Lunch and Fellowship will be Sunday July 24

Please join us for lunch, fellowship, Bible discussion, singing and prayer on July 24. More details to follow.

August 14 Save-the-date for our annual church picnic.

Held at Calhoun Park located at 5400 S. Calhoun Rd