

July 10, 2016

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!

*Create in me
a clean heart,
O God,
and renew
a right spirit within me.*

Psalms 51:10

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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: *Psalm 146 and Matthew 11:28-30*

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! ²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. ³Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. ⁴When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. ⁵Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, ⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; ⁷who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; ⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. ¹⁰The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

God’s Greeting - Prayer for God’s Grace and Mercy to fill our lives.

Worship songs of praise to God

#4; *Change My Heart, O God*

(Blue Worship Book)

#70; *Living for Jesus*

(Blue Worship Book)

Hymn #122; *God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Unison Reading of the Nicene Creed

We listen to God and speak with Him

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #523; *My Hope Is in the Lord*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

We receive God’s blessing and give to bless others

Tithes and Offerings: Mrs. Nancy Jo Baratti singing “My Life Flows” accompanied by Mr. Josh Agen

God’s Word speaks to us

Scripture Reading: **Galatians 1:1-5** (page 972 in ESV Bible)

Sermon Title: **Grace for Recovering Pharisees**

We respond in faith

Hymn #503; *Out of My Bondage, Sorrow and Night*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Benediction

Hymn #733; *Doxology*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

July: Covenant OPC - DeLadurantey family / Lisa Peterson
August: Calvary Community Church
September: Covenant OPC - Ron Crown / Mike and Rae Putirskis

Setup/Greeters

Today: DeLadurantey Family
July 17: Becky Metz
July 24: Josh Agen
July 31: John Tremann

Upcoming Events

July 11: Session Meeting; 7:00 pm
July 12: Downtown Morning Bible Study; 7:00 am
July 12: Community Women's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm
July 14: Community Women's Afternoon Bible Study; 1:30 pm
July 18: Fall's Nature Camp; 9:00 am
July 19: Fall's Nature Camp; 9:00 am
July 19: Men's Evening Bible Study; 7:00 pm
July 20: Fall's Nature Camp; 9:00 am
July 21: Fall's Nature Camp; 9:00 am
July 22: Fall's Nature Camp; 9:00 am

Covenant Praise & Prayer Requests

Praise God that by faith in Christ alone God declares that the perfect righteousness of His Son Jesus Christ covers us as a free gift and that God considers us as righteous as His own Son.

Praise God that because we are united to God through faith in Jesus Christ that everything Christ has ever done becomes ours through Him.

Praise God that we are able to love generously the more we are grasped by the reality of how much Jesus Christ has forgiven us.

Praise God for those who use their gifts in accompanying our worship on the key board and those who use their vocal gifts to glorify the Lord.

Family of the week to pray for: Bob and Jayne Langnes

Pray that as recovering Pharisees we will grow in our understanding and faith in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and live out our relationships as undeserving sinners saved by the grace of Christ alone.

Pray for Glenn Grossbier's mother Sharon who is in serious condition with an aggressive form of cancer. Pray that the Lord will have mercy and cause her to trust Jesus alone for salvation. Pray for Glenn's grandmother for comfort in Christ and that she will trust in Christ for salvation.

Pray the Lord will strengthen and sustain Glenn during this time.

Pray for Jeff Wilhelm healing of cancer. Pray that the Lord will protect him from infections. Pray that Jeff, Alexia, Hannah and Sophia will deepen their trust in Jesus as their Savior and Shepherd.

Pray for Jeff Simos for healing from his hip replacement surgery. Pray that he will patiently trust the Lord for his healing.

Pray we will see in a fresh way that Jesus is all we need.

Pray the Lord will give us additional individuals and families to minister God's grace to.

Pray for Rachel Sanders for healing and encouragement for the Sanders family during this time.

Pray for President Obama, Congress and the Supreme Court that they will lead our nation to serve the Lord.

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.

Downtown Morning Bible Study - Tuesday, July 12

Downtown Morning Bible Study will be held at the 600 East Café on Wisconsin Ave. 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.

Community Women's Evening Bible Study - Tuesday, July 12

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, July 14

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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Men's Bible Study - Tuesday, July 19

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.

Our First Informal Lunch and Fellowship - Sunday July 24

Please join us for lunch, fellowship, Bible discussion, singing and prayer. To be held in the fellowship hall following our Worship Service.

Donation Opportunity - Sunday, July 24

On Sunday, July 24, we will be collecting supplies for CareNet Pregnancy Center of Milwaukee. Please bring any baby-related items you would like to donate with you to church and leave them in front of the Covenant mailboxes. CareNet accepts donations of new baby hygiene products such as diapers, wipes, and baby wash. They also will accept donations of new and gently used maternity clothes, baby clothes (sized newborn to 2T), and other baby items such as strollers, bouncy seats, infant toys (not stuffed animals), and BPA-free bottles. Currently, CareNet's greatest needs are for the larger sizes of diapers (4-5) and baby clothes (2T). Questions? Contact Josh Agen (jaagen@hotmail.com; 734-645-4482).

Covenant Family Camping & Fellowship - July 28 thru August 20

This year's family camping is at Kohler-Andrae State Park again. Which is just an hour drive North of Milwaukee off of Hwy 43 on the shore of Lake Michigan. Even if you are not camping, come out to enjoy the day with us while we fellowship around a campfire! We are camping in the South loop. The site numbers are 214, 215, 216 & 217.

Annual Church Picnic - August 14

This year our picnic will be combined with Calvary Community Church and will be held at Calhoun Park located at 5400 S. Calhoun Rd.