

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

*A church with its roots in the past . . .
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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 97:10-12*

¹⁰ O you who love the LORD, hate evil!
He preserves the lives of his saints;
he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

¹¹ Light is sown for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.

¹² Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!

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

Worship Songs of Praise to God

#10; *There Is a Redeemer*

(Blue Worship Book)

Hymn #80; *Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 100

(printed on page 3 of Order of Worship)

We listen to God and speak with Him

Congregational Prayer

We receive God's blessing and give to bless others

Hymn #652; *Savior, Teach Me, Day by Day*

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Tithes and Offerings

God's Word Speaks To Us

Scripture Reading: **James 3:13-18**

Sermon Title: **Who Is Wise?**

We respond in faith

Hymn #727; *Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness* (Red Trinity Hymnal)

Benediction **Hymn #733; *Doxology***

(Red Trinity Hymnal)

Sermon Outline

Scripture: James 3:13-18

Title: Who Is Wise?

I. Our call to be wise believers; a new creation.

II. Our rule for true wisdom; the commandment of God.

III. Our life as wise believers; faith working itself out in love.

Praise And Prayer Requests

Praise God that the unique Son of God the Lord Jesus Christ sent His Son into the world to deliver us from the condemnation of our sin.

Praise God that we are bound to Christ's love no matter what we face in life.

Praise God that Jesus substitutionary sacrifice on the cross satisfies the holy wrath and justice of God against all our sin.

Praise God for those who volunteer to serve as greeters.

Family of the week to pray for: Nyenhuis Family

Pray that we will grow and increase in our love for the Lord and one another.

Pray that the Lord who indwells us will produce in us and through us His servant love.

Pray for the Lord's all sufficient and unailing grace to comfort Mike and Jennifer Widowski through the grief of losing their son Michael. Pray for Silas and his four siblings that the Lord of all compassion will comfort and heal them in the loss of their brother Michael.

Pray for Glenn Grossbier for God's wisdom as he searches for an apartment and sells his mother's house.

Pray that the Lord will enable us to chew on the Word of God and model the Word of God so that our children and grandchildren will see Christ in us and through us and have a craving to know Jesus and serve Him.

Pray for Jeff Wilhelm who is having physical complications related to his cancer that has been in remission. Pray for the Lord's healing for him as he undergoes intensive treatments. Pray that the Lord will continually restore his strength and Alexia's strength through this ordeal and pray for their daughters Hannah and Sophia.

Pray for the Marsh family as they come to the end of their vacation this week from Heritage Camp in Grand Rapids, MI.

Pray that we as followers of Christ will be lights for Christ in our dark culture. Pray that we will stand boldly for Christ resisting every idea opposed to God but that we will love people who hold those ideas. Pray that we will be characterized by truth and grace as we live out the gospel in our culture.

Pray that we as individuals and families will seek the Lord and His Word, humbling ourselves before the Lord for spiritual renewal.

Pray that we will grow in the bond of love for each other so that Christ will be made known to the lost because of our loving relationships.

Pray that the Lord would preserve us and our loved ones from trials and temptations too great for us to remain faithful to the Lord in.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

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.

Informal Lunch and Fellowship - Today

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

Attention ladies and girls of Covenant - Wednesday, June 28

Would you be interested in getting together to make baby quilts for CareNet Pregnancy Center? We will be meeting at the church several times throughout the summer. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, June 28th at 12:30, but we'll be meeting on the 1st and 3rd Thursday after that (July 6th and 20th, August 3rd and 17th).

Each lady/family will make their own quilt to donate to the center. Bring your sewing machine, fabric, and ideas to church and enjoy fellowship as we quilt together.

If you have any questions, talk to Lisa Peterson or Debbie Marsh.

Announcements

Celebrating the Lord's Supper—Sunday, July 2

Next Sunday we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Men's Bible Study - Tuesday, July 4

There will not be a men's bible study on July 4th. Our next study will be held on Tuesday, July 20th.

Covenant Family Prayer Gathering - Wednesday, July 5

Held from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Pastors office. You are invited to our Prayer Gathering as we come together to share our praise and prayer requests to lift them up before the Lord. If you have any prayer requests, please e-mail them or call them in to Pastor Frank so that we can intercede on your behalf and others behalf before God's Throne of Grace.

Community Women's Bible Studies - Thursday, July 13

The afternoon study is at 1:30 pm and the evening study is at 7:00 pm both are held at the home of Sharon Kolff which is located at 2950 S. 91st St in West Allis. Her phone number is 414-321-8941. All women are invited for an encouraging time of fellowship and prayer.

SouthPointe Healthcare Center - Sunday July 16

We will be hosting the worship service at 3:00 pm for the residents of SouthPointe Healthcare Center located at 4500 W. Loomis Rd in Greenfield. Come join us for some special fellowship and singing while being a blessing to the residents and their families.

Falls Nature Camp - July 17-21, 2017

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. The theme for 2017 will be "Terrific Trees"! The camp is held the third week of July. In 2017, the dates are July 17-21. Camp runs from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We end the week on Friday evening with a hot dog supper and a program the kids put on. Pass this on to your family and friends, kids from ages 3-12 welcome. Register at www.fallsopc.org/nature-camp.

Women's Presbyterial—Saturday, October 7

This year's Women's Presbyterial will be held at Apple Valley Presbyterian Church in Neenah. The speaker, Patricia Clawson, will focus on the new book: Choosing The Good Portion: Women of the OPC. Further details will be forthcoming.

Greeters

Today: DeLadurantey Family
July 2: Lisa Peterson
July 9: Ron Crown
July 16: Becky Metz

Children's Memory Verse: John 1:1-2

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.