

**August 17**

Open/Close Church Hal Rusk  
 Provide Bread Lynn Heuss  
 Comm. Preparation Lynn Heuss  
 Greeters Miles Hoover  
 Don Cavanaugh

Candle Lighter  
 Worship Leader Connie Schindler  
 Deacons Jay Sohn  
 Julie McClatchey  
 Kristin Warwick

Communion Prayer  
 Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up Jane Shane  
 Fellowship Refreshments Jane Shane  
 Church Transportation Drue Cavanaugh  
 986-3737

**August 24**

Open/Close Church Paul Witmer  
 Provide Bread Lynn Heuss  
 Comm. Preparation Lynn Heuss  
 Greeters Carolyn Ratashak  
 Linda Small

Candle Lighter Addison Chambers  
 Worship Leader Drue Cavanaugh  
 Deacons Erin Hiscox  
 Kristin Warwick  
 Dillon Warwick

Communion Prayer  
 Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up Drue Cavanaugh  
 Fellowship Refreshments Drue Cavanaugh  
 Sunday School Teacher  
 Church Transportation Drue Cavanaugh  
 986-3737

Aug. 17	Aug. 18	Aug. 19	Aug. 20	Aug. 21	Aug. 22	Aug. 23	Aug. 24
State Fair "Sermon on a Stick"	Shofar 5-9:45 p.m.		Out-to-Lunch 11:30 a.m.			Women's Group 8:30 a.m. Disciples' Leadership Conference 10-3:30 p.m.	Adult SS 8:45 a.m. Children's SS 10:15 a.m. Taizé Worship 6:00 p.m. Family Promise thru Aug. 30
Food Pantry Sunday	Office Closed		Centering Prayer 12:00-12:30 p.m. Journey In Team Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Bike Night 5:30 p.m.		Shofar 3-10 p.m.	

*Our flowers are given by the Warwick family in celebration of Dillon's birthday.*

**Financial Notes**  
 August 10, 2014  
 Total Deposit \$1,886.40

**Taizé Community Worship at Covenant**  
 Sunday, August 24 - 6:00 p.m.

**Come celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of the fall program year with a contemplative worship experience featuring lovely meditative chants, music, scripture and silence.**

covenant christian church



august 17, 2014

We are spiritual seekers  
 working to grow in our love of God,  
 deepening our connection to each other and  
 sharing with the world our passion for justice and peace.

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come journey together . . .

August 17, 2014  
Worship 10:00 a.m.

**A WORD OF WELCOME**

(Please take a moment to sign the attendance register in the pew and pass it along your row.)

**GATHERING HYMN SING**

*We'll gather with an old-fashioned hymn sing. Using the small paperback hymnals from the State Fair, feel free to find and request your favorite.*

**\*GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)**

Connie Schindler

God's glory is on tour in the skies, God-craft on exhibit across the horizon.

**Madame Day holds classes every morning, Professor Night lectures each evening.**

Their words aren't heard, their voices aren't recorded,

**But their silence fills the earth: unspoken truth is spoken everywhere.**

That's how God's Word vaults across the skies from sunrise to sunset,

Melting ice, scorching deserts, warming hearts to faith.

**The revelation of God is whole and pulls our lives together.**

The signposts of God are clear and point out the right road.

**The life-maps of God are right, showing the way to joy.**

The directions of God are plain and easy on the eyes.

**Clean the slate, God, so we can start the day fresh!**

*Psalm 19, The Message*

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*Let us welcome one another with a sign of Christ's peace.*

Connie Schindler

**\*PRAYER THROUGH SONG #261**

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,

and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;

There are sweet expressions on each face,

and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,

stay right here with us, filling us with your love;

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived

when we shall leave this place.

**WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC**

*"Love Lift Us Up Where We Belong"*

Jennings/Nizsche

\*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG**

*Please join us in supporting the Des Moines Areas Religious Council's food pantry with your gifts.*

**WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Matthew 5:13-16** pg. 4

Connie Schindler

**MORNING PRAYERS/PASTORAL PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

**WITNESS OF THE MODERN WORD**

**"Sermon on a Stick"**

Rev. Paul Witmer

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #576** *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

(We will come forward to the communion table as a sign of our commitment and response to Christ's gracious invitation and loving presence.

If you are unable to come forward, a deacon will bring the elements to you.)

INVITATION AND CALL TO GIVING

Connie Schindler

COMMUNION PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FEAST OF JOY *"Let Us Break Bread Together/Doxology"* arr Wolaver and Tornquist

*All are invited to the table of the Lord. You may come forward to the table to receive the gift of communion and make your gift in response.*

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE AND COMMITMENT #609**

*"Take My Life"*

*Verses 1-2; 5-6*

**\*POSTLUDE** *"State Fair Celebration"*

Early American Melody/arr J. Martin

**\*BENEDICTION**

*Please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments following worship.*

**Rev. Paul Witmer, Minister**  
**Judith Henry, Music Director**