

<u>August 31</u>	
Open/Close Church	Doug Minear
Provide Bread	Betty Lou Lundy
Comm. Preparation	Donna Rusk
Greeters	Russ Lundy
	Betty Lou Lundy
Candle Lighter	Shelby Warwick
Worship Leader	Donna Rusk
Deacons	Kristin Warwick
Communion Prayer	Karen Vroman
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	Jane Shane
	Margo Whiting
Fellowship Refreshments	Jane Shane
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Church Transportation	Drue Cavanaugh
	986-3737

<u>September 7</u>	
Open/Close Church	Paul Witmer
Provide Bread	
Comm. Preparation	
Greeters	
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	
Deacons	
Communion Prayer	
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	Leah Denny
Fellowship Refreshments	Leah Denny
Sunday School Teacher	
Church Transportation	Hal Rusk
	277-7574

Aug. 31	Sept. 1	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 4	Sept. 5	Sept. 6	Sept. 7
Rev. Don Hiscox Guest Minister	Shofar 5-9:45 p.m. Office Closed	Board & Ministry Council Meeting 7 p.m.	Centering Prayer 12-12:30 p.m. SPLASH 6 p.m. Choir 7:30 p.m.		Inter-generational Fellowship 6:30 p.m. at Karen Vroman's home	Men's Group 8 a.m. Shofar 3-10 p.m.	Adult SS <u>8:45 a.m.</u> Children's SS 10:15 a.m.

Intergenerational Fellowship Group (new)
This fellowship group is open to all, especially families with children.

Friday, Sept. 5 - 6:30 p.m.
Karen Vroman Hosting

Please RSVP vromankaren@q.com
or (515) 986-0740 if you plan to attend.

Please bring: appetizer or dessert

Financial Notes	
	August 24, 2014
Total Deposit	\$1,074.25

covenant christian church



august 31, 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 31, 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.)

PRELUDE *"You Are My All in All"* Jernigan/arr Hayes

***GATHERING HYMN #668** *"For the Healing of the Nations"*

***GATHERING WORDS** (Responsive) Donna Rusk

When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said:

You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and God's rule.

You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.

You're blessed when you're content with just who you are — no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.

You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. God is food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.

You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for.

You're blessed when you get your inside world — your mind and heart — put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.

You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

(A portion of The Beautitudes, Matthew 5:1-9, from the Biblical translation "The Message," by Eugene Peterson)

***UNISON PRAYER #723** A Prayer for the Nation (Unison)

***PRAYER THROUGH SONG #677** *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST** Donna Rusk

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

*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC *"Spirit Song"* Wimber Kristin Warwick

TIME WITH THE YOUNG

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Isaiah 65:17-25 pg. 696 Donna Rusk

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 **"A Prayer for Peace in a Time of Fear, Anger and Violence"** Rev. Don Hiscox

HYMN OF PREPARATION #518 *"This Is a Day of New Beginnings"*

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 Donna Rusk
COMMUNION PRAYER Karen Vroman

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
FEAST OF JOY *"The Prayer"* Sager and Foster/arr Coates

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 #722** *"This Is My Song"*

***POSTLUDE** *"I Am Thine, O Lord"* Doane/arr Raney

***BENEDICTION**

Please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments following worship.

Rev. Paul Witmer, Minister
Judith Henry, Music Director