

**April 20**

Open/Close Church Paul Witmer/Doug Minear  
 Provide Bread Kristin Warwick  
 Comm. Preparation Karen Vroman  
 Greeters Shirley Lyst  
 Calvin Young  
 Candle Lighter Calvin Young  
 Worship Leader Lynn Heuss  
 Diaconate Connie Schindler  
 Erin Hiscox  
 Corby Roberts  
 Communion Prayer Karen Vroman  
 Sunday School Teachers Corby Roberts K-2  
 Sarah Hughes 3-5  
 Church Transportation Chris McAtee 669-2025

**April 27**

Open/Close Church Paul Witmer/Doug Minear  
 Provide Bread Kristin Warwick  
 Comm. Preparation Karen Vroman  
 Greeters Calvin Young  
 Chris McAtee  
 Candle Lighter Shelby Warwick  
 Worship Leader Kristin Warwick  
 Diaconate Olin Shane  
 Jane Shane  
 Linda Yeoman  
 Communion Prayer Chris McAtee  
 Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up Lynn Heuss  
 Fellowship Refreshments Lynn Heuss  
 Sunday School Teachers Sarah Hughes K-2  
 Linda Small 3-5  
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Apr. 20	Apr. 21	Apr. 22	Apr. 23	Apr. 24	Apr. 25	Apr. 26	Apr. 27
Children's SS 10:15 a.m.			Centering Prayer 12-12:30 p.m.	Bible Study 10:00 a.m.		Women's Group 8:30 a.m.	Adult SS <u>8:45 a.m.</u> Children's SS 10:15 a.m.
Food Pantry Sunday		Board Meeting (Policy Manual) 7:00 p.m.		11th Step Centering Prayer 6:30 p.m.		Shofar 3-10:00 p.m.	Journey Out Meets after Worship
Easter Offering Received	Shofar 5-9:45 p.m.  Office Closed		Choir 7:30 p.m.				

Financial Notes	
April 13, 2014	
Total Deposit	\$1,654.00
April 17	
Total Deposit	\$783.50
(rent and Heifer Project International)	

covenant christian church



april 20, 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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April 20, 2014  
Easter Sunday  
Worship 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE "Hallelujah Chorus" Handel/arr Lucas

**A WORD OF WELCOME**

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

PRELUDE "Praise the Lord" Handel/arr Hopson

\*OPENING HYMN #216 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

**\*GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)**

Lynn Heuss

Come to me, all you who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death!

**On you the light shines!**

For Jesus Christ is the light of the world  
and this is the story;

**The light shines in the darkness**

**and the darkness could not put it out!**

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.

I am the bright and morning star."

**We join with the angels in their hymns of praise;**

**Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, Alleluia!**

**Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Lynn Heuss

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

\*PRAYER THROUGH SONG "Be Not Afraid" (Verse 1)

**You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.**

**You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.**

**You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.**

**You shall see the face of God and live.**

**Be not afraid. I go before you always.**

**Come, follow me, and I will give your rest.**

WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC "Easter Jubilate!" McGuire

TIME WITH THE YOUNG (Please join us in supporting the local food pantry with your gifts.)

\*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Matthew 28:1-10 pg. 33 Lynn Heuss

**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 our 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 "Fear and Great Joy" Rev. Paul Witmer

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Be Not Afraid" (Verse 2)

**If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.**

**If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.**

**If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all.**

**Be not afraid. I go before you always.**

**Come, follow me, and I will give your rest.**

**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

Lynn Heuss

COMMUNION PRAYER

Karen Vroman

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FEAST OF JOY "God So Loved the World" Kirkpatrick/arr Curry

*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 #218 "Thine Is the Glory"

\*POSTLUDE "Excerpt from Hallelujah Chorus"

**\*BENEDICTION**

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