

<u>July 23</u>	
Provide Bread & Prepare	
Communion	Karen Vroman
Greeter	
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	Donna Rusk
Deacons	Tom Small Linda Small Drue Cavanaugh
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	
Fellowship Refreshments	
Church Transportation	Hal Rusk 321-8974

<u>July 30</u>	
Provide Bread & Prepare	
Communion	Lundy
Greeter	
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	Connie Schindler
Deacons	Linda Yeoman Russ Lundy Betty Lou Lundy
Communion Prayer	
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	
Fellowship Refreshments	Gretchen Pope
Church Transportation	Hal Rusk 321-8974

July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26	July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30
			Centering Prayer 12-12:30 p.m.				Worship 10:00 a.m.
	Office Closed		Bike Night 6:00 p.m.				

<u>Financial Notes</u>	
July 16, 2017	
Total Deposit	\$604.28



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covenant christian church



july 23, 2017

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 . . .

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Worship 10:00 a.m.
"Blessing the Bikes"

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A WORD OF WELCOME

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

If you have prayer requests you'd like lifted up in prayer, please write them on the insert provided on the back of the pew.

PRELUDE "Gather Us In" M. Haugen/arr Coulter

*OPENING SONG #86 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)

Donna Rusk

The road can be challenging, but the ride is good.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good;

It can be an uphill battle with many steep climbs.

Love one another with mutual affection;

There can be resistance and a headwind that wants to thwart every effort to move forward.

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE #86 Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand that provided

—Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC "God Made All People of the World" (p.685) Kristin Warwick
"O For a World" (p.683)

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Romans 12:9-21 pg. Donna Rusk

A BLESSING OF THE BIKES

deepening our connection to each other . . .

MORNING PRAYERS/PASTORAL PRAYER (Please share your prayer concerns in writing.)

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

*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

WITNESS OF THE MODERN WORD "Rejoice. Endure. Persevere."

Rev. Paul Witmer

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Lord, Be Glorified"
In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

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 (Unison)

Christ Jesus, our Living Bread, we praise your mercy in the memorial of your love. As we keep in mind your life, death, and resurrection, let our Eucharistic banquet enable us to share with one another the goodness and love you have showered upon us. We ask this In your name. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FEAST OF JOY "Wind Beneath My Wings" Henley and Silbar

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.

. . . and sharing with the world our passion for justice and peace.

*SONG OF SENDING FORTH "Go, Make a Difference"

**Go make a difference. We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world. (Repeat)**

**We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see the love of God in you and me.
We are the light of the world, not to be hidden but be seen. Go make a difference in the world.**

**We are the hands of Christ reaching out to those in need, the face of God for all to see.
We are the spirit of hope; we are the voice of peace. Go make a difference in the world.**

*POSTLUDE "Bicycle Built for Two"

*BENEDICTION

Please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments following worship.

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