

**March 8**

Comm. Preparation	Karen Vroman
Greeter	Gretchen Pope
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	Lynn Heuss
Deacons	Linda Yeoman Don Cavanaugh Drue Cavanaugh
Communion Prayer	
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	Tommie Warwick
Fellowship Refreshments	Jay Sohn
Church Transportation	Hal Rusk 277-7574

**March 15**

Comm. Preparation	Olin Shane Jane Shane
Greeter	
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	
Deacons	Doug Minear Barb Minear Marsha Ratashak
Communion Prayer	
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	Doug Minear
Fellowship Refreshments	Doug Minear
Church Transportation	Jerry Warwick 278-2102

Mar. 8	Mar. 9	Mar. 10	Mar. 11	Mar. 12	Mar. 13	Mar. 14	Mar. 15
Adult SS 8:45 a.m.  Movie Team After Worship  Family Promise Mtg. at UUC 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.  Shofar 5-9:45 p.m.  Office Closed		Centering Prayer 12-12:30 p.m.  Lenten Meal/ Fellowship Study 6-7:30 p.m.  Choir 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study <u>10:00 a.m.</u> Book Club 11:30 a.m.  11th Step Centering Prayer 6:30 p.m.	Fellow- ship Friday 6:30 p.m.	Shofar 3-10:00 pm	Adult SS 8:45 a.m.  Food Pantry Sunday

**Wednesday Night Lenten Meal**  
Wednesday, March 12  
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

We'll share a simple meal together with a brief inter-generational activity. Then adults will share a time of study while the kids enjoy fellowship and learning activities separately

**Fellowship Friday**  
March 13, 6:30 p.m.  
Join us at the home of:  
**Olin and Jane Shane**  
RSVP: 276-5996  
**Please bring: appetizer or dessert**

Financial Notes  
March 1, 2015  
Total Deposit     \$6,639.00



Please note that our sound system is equipped with a T-Coil hearing loop. If you are wearing hearing aids, please turn on "T Coil" mode for best hearing assistance.

covenant christian church

  
march 8, 2015

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 . . .

March 8, 2015  
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** "Simple Gifts" arr Carter

**\*OPENING HYMN #33** "How Great Thou Art"

**\*GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)**

Lynn Heuss

Living God, we seek your presence now.

**Our minds cannot understand you,  
Yet our hearts cry out for a living relationship with you.**

Our eyes cannot see you,  
Yet without you there would be nothing to see.

**Our faith cannot grasp you,  
Yet in you we live and move and have our being.**

Our way ahead into this week is hidden from us,  
But we trust that you have prepared a way through for us.

**Renew our vision of the eternal truths  
In the light of which our day-to-day lives must be lived.**

Open our eyes to see your presence in the simple glories of everyday things.

**Light up our relationships with other people**

**By the living word of love in Jesus.**

Help us so to see where we went wrong in the past,  
That we shall be able to take our bearings afresh for the way ahead.

**In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER THROUGH SONG #211**

**Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;  
O, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S LOVE**

Lynn Heuss

**WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC** "You Raise Me Up" Graham and Lovland/arr Emerson

**A TIME WITH THE YOUNG**

**WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD** Matthew 6:7-15 pg. 5

Lynn Heuss

\*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

**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.

**RESPONSE:**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call answer me.**

**O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.**

**WITNESS OF THE MODERN WORD**

"Giving and Forgiving"

Rev. Paul Witmer

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #392** "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

**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**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**FEAST OF JOY** "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr Wolaver

*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 #461** "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

**\*POSTLUDE** "Simple Gifts"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE:**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call answer me.**

**O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.**

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

*Rev. Paul Witmer, Minister*

*Judith Henry, Music Director*