

covenant christian church



october 2, 2016

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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October 2

Provide Bread & Prepare	
Communion	Drue Cavanaugh
Greeters	Gretchen Pope Judy Searcy
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	Karen Vroman
Deacons	Drue Cavanaugh Jay Sohn Julie McCatchey
Sunday School Teacher	Linda Small
Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up	Karen Vroman
Fellowship Refreshments	Karen Vroman
Church Transportation	Drue Cavanaugh 986-3737

October 9

Provide Bread & Prepare	
Communion	
Greeter	
Candle Lighter	
Worship Leader	Connie Schindler
Deacons	Erin Hiscox
Sunday School Teacher	Donna Rusk
Chili Cook-Off	
Church Transportation	Drue Cavanaugh 986-3737

Oct. 2	Oct. 3	Oct. 4	Oct. 5	Oct. 6	Oct. 7	Oct. 8	Oct. 9
Adult SS <u>8:45 a.m.</u> Children's SS 10:15 a.m.			Centering Prayer 12-12:30 p.m.	Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	CFUM Dinner		Adult SS <u>8:45 a.m.</u> Children's SS <u>10:15 a.m.</u> Reconciliation Offering <u>Received</u> Chili & Soup Cook-Off Following Worship
Reconciliation Offering Received	Office Closed		Choir 7:30 p.m.				

**Flowers are provided by the
 Cavanaugh family in celebration of
 October birthdays.**

Financial Notes
 September 25, 2016
 Total Deposit \$2,055



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.

HEARING LOOP INSTALLED
 Switch hearing aid to T-Coil mode
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October 2, 2016
Worship 10:00 a.m.
World Wide Communion/Reconciliation Sunday

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 "Great Is the Lord" MW and DD Smith/arr Keveren

***OPENING HYMN #284** "Gather Us In"

***GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)** Karen Vroman

O Holy One, ineffable and yet as near as now.

You are the nameless one, though named by many traditions.

You are holy, you are wholeness,

you are that mystery, that magnificence that no single tradition can contain.

Your beauty astounds, your wisdom clarifies, your abundance flows out by many rivers
and returns to your ocean heart.

We honor each river—veins of tradition, arteries of life,

returning to your fathomless heart,

and back out again into the body of creation.

We are carried away, trusting the flow more than our names.

Amen. *If Darwin Prayed*, Bruce Sanguin

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE #307** (sung)

**Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. 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 THROUGH MUSIC "Down to the River to Pray" arr Curry

TIME WITH THE YOUNG

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD 2 Timothy 1:1-14 pg. 211 Karen Vroman

MORNING PRAYERS/THE LORD'S PRAYER (Please share your prayer concerns in writing.)

*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

WITNESS OF THE MODERN WORD

"In the Lineage of ____"

Rev. Paul Witmer

HYMN OF PREPARATION #393 "One Bread, One Body"

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Call to Giving

Offertory "Excerpt from Rondo Mvt of Appassionata Sonata" Beethoven

*Response of Praise "We Are an Offering"

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives.

They are yours; we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you;

we are an offering, we are an offering.

*Prayer for the Consecration of Gifts

Karen Vroman

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All are invited to the table of the Lord. We individually partake of the bread and cup.

Please serve the person next to you by holding the tray.

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

Karen Vroman

God, may this bread connect us more closely with you and with our neighbors near and far.

Bless this bread, we pray.

May this fruit of the vine remind us of the inter-connectedness of people
around the world.

Bless this cup, we pray.

May this simple meal bring us into union with you, your people and your world united in the One
Body of Christ.

Bless us, we pray.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FEAST OF JOY "It Is Well With My Soul" Bliss/arr Sanborn

***SONG OF SENDING FORTH #490** "Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant"

***POSTLUDE** "Excerpt cont. from Beethoven"

***BENEDICTION**

Please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments following worship.

Rev. Paul Witmer, Minister
Judith Henry, Music Director