



COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Hospitality • Faith • Compassion

Covenant Community Church
come as you are

Covenant Denomination Logo



The unique character of the Covenant is expressed in the design of the logo – people united in Christ, people serving people in God’s name, and people bringing people to Christ. The basis of the design is symbolic of four people facing north, south, east, and west. Note that each one’s arms are outstretched, indicating the church’s outreach in mission and service to the world. The four are part of the whole, yet their hands do not touch, symbolizing their unity in the freedom and evangelical warmth that characterizes the Covenant. The geometric arrangement of the four figures results in a cross-like pattern, representative of the center of our faith. The center circle symbolizes the unity and the bond of fellowship which we call “the Covenant.”



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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 19, 2018

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, be nourished by the words and witness of Jesus Christ.

People: He came that we might know of God's absolute, steadfast love for us.

Leader: Receive the gift of the Bread of Life and hunger no more.

People: We are grateful for Jesus Christ, who has given to us this magnificent gift.

Leader: Come, let us worship and rejoice!

People: Let us sing our praises to God. AMEN.

*Opening Song (see green insert)

I Am the Light of the World

*Song (see white insert)

Glad Morning (I'll Fly Away)

*Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (see white insert)

We Hear the Word

*Scripture Lesson

John 8:1-11; Matthew 9:10-13

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

Sermon

Am I Accepted?

Interlude

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offering Response:

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,

And his righteousness.

And all these things shall be added unto you,

Allelu, alleluia.

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn #628

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

*Benediction

*Response *(our tradition is to face and bless each other as we sing)*

The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

And give you, give you, give you peace.

Leader:

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Helping Us to Worship

Ministers to the World:

The Congregation

Minister to the Congregation:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Music Leaders:

One A-Chord

Greeter:

Karen Zidovsky

Flowers:

Grace Wakeman

Lord's 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,
for ever. Amen.

Announcements

- **No Movie Night this month (August).**
- **Constitution & ByLaws Meeting, Sunday, August 26, following worship:** We will holding the second and final informational meeting on the proposed 2016 Constitution and Bylaws changes. Please attend if possible.
- **Town Meadows Sr. Housing BBQ, Wednesday, September 12, 5:30PM:** Set up will begin around 5:00PM. All are invited to attend and enjoy a meal with our friends from Town Meadows. Look for sign up sheet and details on the bulletin board in the Narthex, outside of the kitchen. Questions, talk with Don Turner.

Welcome!

Greetings! And a warm welcome to you!

We are glad to have you here—we are better together.

If you are visiting us for the first time,
please sign our guest book at the entrance,
and complete a visitor's card

Please join us for coffee or tea after worship.
We would like to get to know you.

Child care (infant through pre-K) is provided
during the worship service.
We ask that you please pick up your child
promptly after church.

This Week at Covenant Community Church

Sunday, August 19th

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship—August 26, 2018

Greeters: Don & Helen Hubbard

Church Cleaners: Ethan, Julie Smith & Murray Thompson
(August 13-26)

If you have announcements, prayer requests or other special needs contact Pastor Jeannette Conner, 879-4313 (church) or Diane Border, church secretary (church 879-4313).

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 26th

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, September 2nd

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

John 8:1-11 New Living Translation (NLT)

Jesus returned to the Mount of Olives, ² but early the next morning he was back again at the Temple. A crowd soon gathered, and he sat down and taught them. ³ As he was speaking, the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. They put her in front of the crowd.

⁴ “Teacher,” they said to Jesus, “this woman was caught in the act of adultery. ⁵ The law of Moses says to stone her. What do you say?”

⁶ They were trying to trap him into saying something they could use against him, but Jesus stooped down and wrote in the dust with his finger. ⁷ They kept demanding an answer, so he stood up again and said, “All right, but let the one who has never sinned throw the first stone!”

⁸ Then he stooped down again and wrote in the dust.

⁹ When the accusers heard this, they slipped away one by one, beginning with the oldest, until only Jesus was left in the middle of the crowd with the woman. ¹⁰ Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, “Where are your accusers? Didn’t even one of them condemn you?”

¹¹ “No, Lord,” she said.

And Jesus said, “Neither do I. Go and sin no more.”

Matthew 9:10-13 New Living Translation (NLT)

¹⁰ Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners.

¹¹ But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with such scum?”

¹² When Jesus heard this, he said, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do.” ¹³ Then he added, “Now go and learn the meaning of this Scripture: ‘I want you to show mercy, not offer sacrifices.’ For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners.”

I Am the Light of the World

[Chorus]

I am the Light of the world
You people come and follow me
If you follow and love, you'll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.

To find the lost and lonely one
To heal a broken soul with love.
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good food
To feel the earth below the sky above! [Chorus]

To free the prisoners from their chains
To make the powerful care
To rebuild the nations with strength and goodwill,
To call someone your friend everywhere! [Chorus x2]

I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is o'er
I'll fly away
To my home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

[Chorus]

I'll fly away, Oh glory
I'll fly away
When I die hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone
I'll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown
I'll fly away [Chorus]]

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joy will never end
I'll fly away [Chorus x2]