

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 16, 2018

## We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens shout of God's glory!

**People: There is so much beauty in this earth and in the heavens!**

Leader: Day by day we are reminded of God's Love.

**People: Day by day we are blessed with large and small visions of God's glory.**

Leader: Come, let us praise the God of creative.

**ALL: Let us sing and shout our praises of thanksgiving and joy to God. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn #3 *Earth and All the Stars*

\*Hymn #374 *Savior While My Heart is Tender*

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

## We Hear the Word

\*Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 1: 3 - 9

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

Sermon Is there Hope?

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

\*Closing Hymn #682 *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

\*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

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\*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 Leader: Peter Olson

Church Cleaners: Benita Lord and Gary Coryer

## Announcements

- **Pastor on Vacation:** Pastor Jeannette will be away on vacation from September 17 through September 28. If a need arises, they can contact Wayne Border, Leadership Team Chair.
- **Lawnmower is fixed!** Please sign up to help with mowing our church grounds. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the kitchen in the Narthex (Lobby). Questions, contact Wayne Border or Doug Morrell.
- **Community Soup & Bread Supper Returns!** We are excited to start our Soup & Bread Supper Ministry for our church community and the greater community again this year **beginning October 4.** What do we need? 7-8 crock pots of soup; a variety of 4-6 breads (artisan, savory, sweet, and a gluten free choice). Rumor has it that the chocolate chip cookies will return! To relieve the stress level of the Soup & Bread Supper organizers/helpers, please take a moment and let them know what you might bring. Watch the bulletin board for the sign-up sheet. Any questions, talk with Billie Hall or Benita Lord.
- **Mark your calendar for the church Annual Meeting on November 11, 2018** after Church. One of the items on the agenda will be voting on the 2016 proposed changes to our Constitution & Bylaws.

## 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, September 16<sup>th</sup>

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

Tai Chi Basic - TC1, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi Continuing, 11 a.m.

Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

Tai Chi Basic - TC1, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi Continuing, 11 a.m.

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

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Worship Service, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

Tai Chi Basic – TC1, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi Continuing, 11 a.m.

Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Tai Chi Basic – TC1, 10 a.m.

Tai Chi Continuing, 11 a.m.

Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

## 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

## 1 Peter 1:3-9 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>3</sup>All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, <sup>4</sup>and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. <sup>5</sup>And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.

<sup>6</sup>So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. <sup>7</sup>These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world.

<sup>8</sup>You love him even though you have never seen him. Though you do not see him now, you trust him; and you rejoice with a glorious, inexpressible joy. <sup>9</sup>The reward for trusting him will be the salvation of your souls.