

Covenant Community Church

Sunday

July 31, 2022



We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We are children of God, learning to walk.

People: Day by day, we are learning to be the church

Leader: God is a loving parent, teaching us to walk.

People: God loves us, leads us, and feeds us.

*Confession

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Nurturing God, you continue to lead us in upright ways on account of your love for us. Yet we do not always follow your call; we turn away from you and go our own way. Forgive us, and return us to our rightful home in you, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

Declaration of Forgiveness

*Opening Hymn

#3 Earth and All Stars

*Opening Prayer and 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, forever. Amen

We Hear the Word

Scripture:

Colossians 3:1-11

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

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

*Hymn

#435 Day By Day and With Each Passing Moment

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offering Response

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia.*

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn

#345 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*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: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Colossians 3:1-11

New Living Translation

3 Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. **2** Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. **3** For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. **4** And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory.

5 So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world. **6** Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming. **7** You used to do these things when your life was still part of this world. **8** But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. **9** Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. **10** Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him. **11** In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us.

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:
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Announcements:

****There is a Special Congregational Meeting this morning, July 31, following service****

Lectio Divina, Thursdays at 5:30PM via Zoom (see weekly Announcement email for link)

Sunday morning (pre-service) "ABCDE" Bible Study at 9:00 AM (virtually *or* in person)

Please feel free to join us *any* Sunday morning if you can, even if you haven't had a chance to read the chapter ahead of time. Your input will be *encouraging* to the rest of us! Any questions? Email Lynn at lynn.conver@richmond.edu Hope to see you Sunday at 9:00 a.m.!

Community Announcements

Essex Jericho Underhill Ecumenical Food Shelf -- **Adopt A Backpack**: See poster in the Narthex. If you can't bring the supplies to the Debra Rawson Library, you can drop the supplies in our Food Shelf shopping cart in the lobby at church and Susan Turner can drop them off at the library if that's easier.

And, thank you for continuing to drop off non-perishable foods in our red shopping cart for the Edumenical Food Shelf! Everything is greatly appreciated.