

This Week



at Covenant

### Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

- ★ **Sunday Breakfast**, \$4. Today, 8:30 - 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall.
- ★ **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** - Today, 9 am, Music Room.
- ★ **Church School**: All classes 9 am - 9:45 am.
  - Pre-School - Nursery
  - Elementary - D2
  - Middle/High Youth - D3/4
  - Adult Bible Fellowship - *The Book of Mark*; F201
  - Adult Study - *Faith Engaging the World*; F207
- ★ **Sunday Morning Worship** - Today, 10 am, Sanctuary.
- ★ **Chapel Choir Rehearsal** - Today, 11:15 am, D1/6.
- ★ **Adult Study** - *Good to Great*; Today, 11:30 am, F202/203.
- ★ **PW Fall Gathering with Luncheon** - Today, 11:30, Fellowship Hall.
- ★ **Youth Group** - Today, 11:30 am, F207.
- ★ **MOPS** - Tuesday, 9:30 am, F204.
- ★ **Prayer Shawl Ministry** - Tuesday, 10 am, F207.
- ★ **Christian Education Meeting** - Tuesday, 6:30 pm, F201.
- ★ **Men's Prayer/Book Discussion** - Wednesday, 7 am, Perkins on Summerlin.
- ★ **Staff Meeting** - Wednesday, 11 am, Pastor's Office.
- ★ **Instrumental Ensemble** - Wednesday, 4 pm, Sanctuary.
- ★ **Jubilate Ringers** - Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary.
- ★ **Youth Band Rehearsal** - Wednesday, 7 pm, F202.
- ★ **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** - Thursday, 7 pm, Music Room.
- ★ **Fall Family Festival - Next Sunday, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall**

### Prayer Concerns

Please remember these members and friends of Covenant in your daily prayers: Maureen Bashaw, Catherine Shackelford, Nancy Albright, Anne Wills, Lloyd Balsley, Bob Groenleer, Pat Schmidt, Doug Burford, Barbara Miller, Don Fjellin and Virginia Boka.



*Covenant's Presbyterian Women invite all members and friends of the church to its annual Fall luncheon TODAY following worship in Fellowship Hall. Even if you have not signed up, check at the entrance to Fellowship Hall and see if there are any available lunches; at any rate you are invited to stay for the program.*

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*This annual tradition is for families, and this year will feature Ruth DeYoe as speaker. Ruth's graduate degree is from Princeton Seminary and her lifetime career has been in Christian Education and supporting the missions of her denomination. Currently, she is Mission Coordinator at our Presbytery's Misión Peniel in Immokalee and will update us on our church and denomination's work among our farm workers there.*

*Also, a "Thank Offering" will be received to assist the many missions of our church and Presbyterian denomination.*

### Enriching Your Christian Life:

*"Good to Great" is the theme of a new opportunity for you to grow in Christian faith and fellowship, and to do it at a new hour at Covenant. The class meets following worship from 11:30 to 12:30, with the class*



*meeting simultaneously with the Youth Group, Children's Choir and Nursery Care so the whole family may have enrichment activities together. Classes will continue today and November 12 and 19 and all meetings will be in F202/203. Plan now to see how this fits your faith and family schedule.*



You're invited to join us for a Fall Festival on Sunday, October 29, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, in Fellowship Hall and the front lawn. **PLEASE BRING**

**A SIDE DISH TO SHARE!** The Fellowship Committee will provide fried chicken and drinks! We will have trick-or-treating for the kids. They can dress up in costumes and trick-or-treat around the tables. If anyone would like to donate individually wrapped candy, please bring it to the church office prior to the event. We will have a photo booth, bounce house, games, live music, and pumpkin decorating. Please sign-up at the Connection Station.



### Registration Open for Family Camp!

Cedarkirk is a beautiful, natural-sited Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center in Lithia in central Florida. Cedarkirk offers a unique opportunity to grow as part of the Covenant church family and meet and have fun with other families. ALL ages are invited for the weekend of November 3 -5, 2017.

This year's theme will be on Prayer and the verse is Romans 12:12, *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

**Accommodations?** All families will stay in air conditioned lodges that provide facilities comparable to dormitory living.

**Food?** Everyone eats together in the dining hall for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Food is served family style and there is plenty for all. Food is included in the cost.

**Activities?** Cedarkirk is nestled in the woods and there is a variety of group and individual activities. Friday night will feature mixers, games and snacks. Saturday features group activities, hiking, games, canoeing, swimming, hayride, campfire and line dancing. Sunday includes worship and family activities.

**Cost?** The cost is \$119 (ages 13 to adult) and \$104 (ages 5 to 12). Kids under 5 are free. The cost includes two-night accommodations and 5 meals. The maximum expense per family is \$355. **PAYMENTS ARE NOW DUE!**

If you would like to be part of a young camper's life and growth, this is your opportunity to help by making a cash gift to the Covenant Camp Scholarship Fund. See Dawn Castner to learn how you may change a young life through your gift.



### MOPS Moms Preparing Christmas Boxes

The Mothers of Preschoolers are packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child in October and your donations will be greatly appreciated. Our group sends 125 boxes each year to be distributed to needy children all over the world. Please bring in your contributions to the church courtyard or office! **DONATIONS OF SHOEBOXES ARE NO LONGER NEEDED!**

#### These gifts are needed and welcomed

- ◆ Toys such as small dolls, stuffed animals, cars, puzzles, jump ropes, etc.
- ◆ School Supplies such as pencils, pens, crayons, notebooks, coloring books.
- ◆ Non-liquid hygiene items - toothbrushes, bar soap, wash cloths, combs.
- ◆ Accessories such as socks, hats, t-shirts, flip-flops, hair bands, sunglasses.
- ◆ Younger Children: sticker and picture books, finger puppets, pages of colorful stickers.
- ◆ Older Children: small tools, tape measures, sewing kits, fabric squares, solar calculators, rulers, jewelry, deodorant.
- ◆ **We will gladly accept help with shipping costs - minimum of \$7 per box.**

**Do Not Include** - Candy, toothpaste, used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food, seeds, fruit rolls or other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers, or aerosol cans.

#### **"Stephen Ministers are Here to Help You."**

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 'Very truly, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things.'* John 1, 3:11-12



We practice the four C's: Christian listening, Caring, Confidentiality, and Community. Stephen's ministers bring God's love and care into your life. They'll listen, encourage, and pray with you and for you. If you, or someone you know, are hurting, contact one of these Stephen Leaders today. Being a member of Covenant is not a requirement.

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