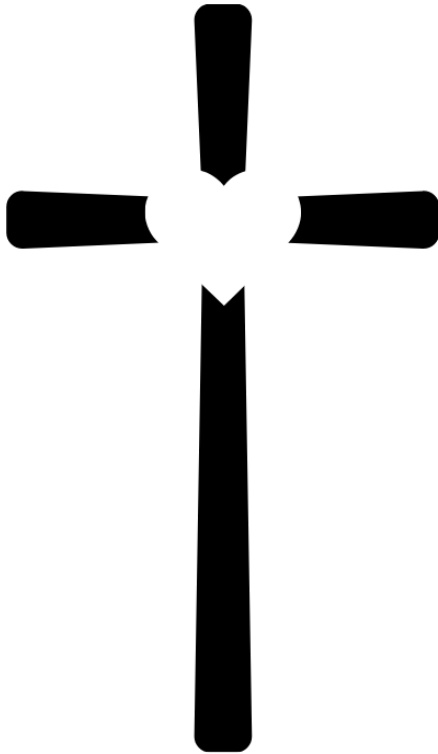




Welcome to
Covenant Congregational Church

*Covenant Congregational Church exists to build a welcoming community
so that all generations can know God, participate freely, and grow in faith together.*

Covenant Congregational Church
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service

September 6, 2026

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Just As I Am – arr. Schram

WELCOME

Announcements

GATHERING

*Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

His love endures forever.

May we love as Christ first loved us.

And may Christ's love in us endure forever.

*Opening Song

Forever

Screen

*Invocation

Greeting One Another

PROCLAMATION

Children's Message

Dismissal Blessing of the Children

Congregation: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you!

Scripture Readings

Bob Peoples

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 119:33-40

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:15-20

Response: The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Romans 13:8-14

Pastor Ryan

RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer and The 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.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Lord Hold My Hand – Dolly Parton

Chris Allison & Vicky Papetti

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise Him all creatures here below;

praise Him above ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament Of Holy Communion**

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Hymn of Preparation *I Love You, Lord*

Screen

Confession of Sin and Words of Assurance

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hades;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy Christian Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup *O Come to the Altar – arr. Shackley*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

*Closing Hymn *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

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*Benediction

(Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.)

POSTLUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee! – arr. Carter*

*Please stand as able.

**Holy Communion at Covenant Congregational Church is open to all who confess Jesus as Savior and seek to follow him as Lord. Others, including children, are welcome to come forward to receive grapes as a sign that the Lord calls all people to himself. Individuals may also remain seated.

Worship Participants

Co-Pastors	Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson
Greeters	Heather Willis and Bob Hall
Usher	Bonnie Hyde
Special Music	Chris Allison and Vicky Papetti
Scripture Reader	Bob Peoples
Worship Band	Chris Allison, Vicky Papetti, Tony Ivaldi, Jeff Burton, Peter Fredericksen and Pastor Ryan
Choir Director/Piano	Alice Fu
Violin	Vicky Papetti
Flute	Lou Ann Falls
Bass	Chris Allison
Clarinet/Saxophone	Alex West
Organ	Susan Santry
A.V. Tech Team	Jeff Burton, Dave Sproul, Adam Buckley and Andrew West
Sanctuary Keepers	Rob & Priscilla Driscoll
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Children Are Welcome at CCC

We welcome the movement and whispers (that are often louder than whispers) of children in the worship service. In addition:

- Children are welcome in the worship service. There are clipboards with children’s bulletins and activities available in the narthex.
- For babies and toddlers, there is a play room off of the narthex with a video feed and a viewing room with a window into the sanctuary.
- Join us during the school year, starting next week September 13, for Sunday School during worship for toddlers to 7th grade.

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