



# COVENANT NEWS

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

May 19, 2022

YPFG (Young People For God) is going to have the last meeting of the season for the official Youth Group on May 31, 2022.

The month of June will see us finishing confirmation classes, with the Confirmation ceremony being held on June 26th at Covenant.

The month of June also kicks off our weeks at Camp Adventure and Epworth Forest. We are in for a busy month of getting the youth to experience God in church and in life.

There are big events coming in July, such as a group trip to King's Island, a Night of Worship Under the Stars, and a Fall Kick-Off bash. We will honor these students, who have worked very hard to learn and become closer to the Lord in our classes and activities.

We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone that has cooked, or supplied a meal for the youth! It was all wonderful. Also, a thank you to those who helped us along the way, we could not have done all we have without your support.

We are looking for chaperones for our Summer Camps and Youth Trip to King's Island. We will be taking donations for these events as well. If you are interested please email the youth director at [youth@covenantumc.net](mailto:youth@covenantumc.net).

We need your involvement with the Youth at Covenant so we can continue to make a difference.

God bless,

*Timothy A. Grant*

*Director of Student Ministries*



**Come Join Us for the Fish / Tenderloin Dinner**

**May 23 from 4-7 pm ~ \$12 per dinner and includes cole slaw, chips and a cookie!**

**The best part is that \$4.00 from each meal will help provide funds for Habitat for Humanity right here in Fort Wayne!**

**It is Drive-thru or Eat-in!**

Those who choose to eat in may do so in Fellowship Hall, but remember to bring your own refreshments

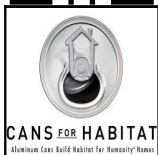
Covenant,

Because of your generous giving to the Lenten Offering a check for **\$6,277** was sent to Associated Churches! This purchased food, including perishables, for their network of food pantries. The following note was received in appreciation for your gift.

"All I can say is WOW! What a wonderful gift. This will bless our community in a huge way. Demand is picking up due to inflation so this will help fill the gap. Covenant is Amazing! Please know we greatly appreciate all that you do for us. I feel like you folks are family.

Lots of love,

Pastor Roger Reese"



We have a Habitat for Humanity Recycling Shed for Aluminum Cans in our parking lot, (the one that borders on Coldwater, just past the playground).

It is there for the entire community, but how easy would it be to just stop by and drop off a bag of cans?

If you have any questions about whether a can is aluminum, just try the magnet test: if a magnet sticks to it, it's NOT aluminum.

All of the proceeds go to fund Habitat for Humanities. So bring your ALUMINUM cans, and make a difference today!



## Mark your calendars for VBS July 17-21!

The theme will be "Food Truck Party: On a Roll with God!"

Ready to cook up some fun?

Cokesbury's Food Truck Party VBS invites children of all ages to get on a roll with God as a parade of Food Trucks roll into their neighborhood for the summer's biggest party!

This VBS invites children to pray as Jesus teaches us in

**Matthew 6:11: "Give us this day our daily bread"**

These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God, and that by turning to God in prayer all of our daily needs are met.



Ready to do something as a family to help Ukrainian families?

Join Project 216's Summer Public Event on

**Saturday, June 4, from 9-11 a.m.**

Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School (in the gym)

6318 W California Road in Fort Wayne

Help pack over 20,000 meals to feed refugees coming out of the Ukraine!

Project 216 is doing this in partnership with Feed the Hungry (based out of South Bend)

**ALSO:**

Mark your calendar now to participate in **Covenant's Packing Event** on

**Saturday, October 23 from 9-11 a.m.**

## The Rescue Mission needs your help!

**People to serve breakfast:** Arrive by 6:15 a.m. and be finished by 7:30. Welcome the men in the program and those from the community looking for a good meal to start their day. Your time spent serving others will be an amazing way to start your day! To learn more about the experience of serving a meal at Rescue Mission contact Terry Pargmann or Barb Hering through the church office ([office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net) or 489-1888).

- **A driver** is needed to help transport some of the residents to their Celebrate Recovery meetings at Pathway Community Church two Tuesdays a month from 6:00 - 9:00 pm.

Please contact Deanna Bates ([dbates@fwrn.org](mailto:dbates@fwrn.org) or 260-426-7357, ext.144)

if you are interested in either opportunity.



## UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) UKRAINE RELIEF

Want to help provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people?

You can contribute to **Advance #982450**

This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine, as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.

### There are several ways you can donate:

- Write a check to Covenant and indicate "UMCOR Advance #982450" on the memo line
- Donate online thru the Covenant website [here](#), and note "UMCOR Advance #982450"
- Give through UMCOR online [here](#)
- Donate by calling toll free 888-252-6174

**ONE HUNDRED PERCENT** of your donation will go to help Ukrainian people!

### Financial Report for May 20, 2022

Income: \$ 23,045.00  
Expenses: \$ 22,744.72  
Variance: \$ 300.28  
YTD Income: \$ 258,529.05  
YTD Expenses \$ 267,581.06

### Attendance for May 15, 2022

	<u>8:45am</u>	<u>10:15am</u>
On-line	173	160
In person	128	142

## WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR May 22 - 28

### Sunday, May 22

#### 8:45 am - TRADITIONAL Service / Sanctuary

##### EDUCATIONAL Groups

- 9:00 am - Faith Cafe / Room 110
- 9:00 am - Class for Parents of our SS Children & other adults / Room 105 & 107
- 9:00 am - Connected Kid's Classes / Room 307 & 308
- 10:00 am - Agape Group / Room 105 & 107
- 10:00 am - Faith Discovery Group / Room 110
- 10:00 am - Discovery Group / Room 203

#### 10:15 am - CONNECTION Service / Sanctuary

- 10:30 am - Connected KIDS LIVE / Room 100
- 10:45 am - Confirmation Class / Cove
- 11:30 am - Children's Ministry Team / Room 105
- 2:00 pm - Grace Assembly of God / Sanctuary

### Monday, May 23

- 9:00 am - Covenant Bashor Quilters / Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 am - Staff Meeting / Room 105 & 107
- 4:00 pm - Fish Fry for Habitat Humanity / Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Parking Lot

### Tuesday, May 24

- 9:30 am - Little Turtle Smockers / Room 105 & 107
- 5:00 pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry / Lobby
- 5:30 pm - Dinner & Scripture for Single Ladies / Offsite
- 7:00 pm - Middle & High School Youth Activities / Cove

### Wednesday, May 25

- 9:00 am - NEDOT / Rooms 105 & 107

### Thursday, May 26

- 6:00pm - Connection Band / Sanctuary
- 6:30 pm - Cub Scout Dens / Fellowship Hall

### Friday, May 27

No Activity

### Saturday, May 28

No Activity

**The AA group meets on Monday - Friday at 9am in Room 110 and Fridays at 6pm in the Cove**

## ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED!

### Openings May 29 through December 2022

If you are interested in honoring or remembering someone, or celebrating a special day, look for the Altar Flower Schedule binder at the Guest Services desk. Each vase is \$20 and you may take the flowers home with you after the 2nd service, or opt to donate them.

### Altar Flowers for May 22 given by:

Bill & Coleen Curry, and Glenda & Shane Garvey in memory of Jason Matthew Curry.

Graduation Recognition Sunday at Covenant is upon us!  
We would like to celebrate with you. Send:

- Your child's name
- Where they are graduating from
- What their future plans are
- A recent picture
- Send to [office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net), or drop it by the church office



## Lost & Found

There is a large plastic tote under the coat rack by door 3 that has various items found in the church. Many of them have been there for several months. If you are missing something, please check the tote. You may contact the Church Office at 260-489-1888, or email us [office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net)

**May 21**

Penny Reese, Todd Muzzillo

**May 22**

Elizabeth Carr, Noah Parrish

**May 23**

Jada Hering, Gordon Ewing

**May 24**

Brittany Salay, Kaleb Krempel, Gayle Givens, Jackie Hastings

**May 25**

Nancy Nikirk, Bella Parks

**May 26**

Sharon Parnin

**May 27**

Sarah Collier, Mary Walton

**May 28**

Brenden Fannin, Susan Stauffer

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Prayers for Darlene Amstutz, who is in Lutheran Life Villages with health concerns.
- Rich and Melanie Smith ask for prayers for their neighbor Reggie Hess, who passed away on Friday from cancer, and his wife Cindi, that she may find comfort and peace.
- Prayers for Judy Moore, on the passing of her mother, Mae Walter, last Wednesday.
- Sam and Gina Loomis ask for prayers for The Fords and all of their health concerns.
- Carol and Dave Chrisp ask for prayers for brother-in-law Roy Scott, who is having surgery on Tuesday for fluid on the lung.
- Mark and Linda Alexander ask for prayers for Linda's mother, Vivian Andress, who was hospitalized Friday with severe back pain.
- Barb Hering asks for prayers for Deanna Bates, the director at Rescue Mission, who is having major health concerns that are causing her to make difficult decisions.
- Gloria DeCook asks for prayers for Linda Dupont, who is home now, recovering from a heart attack.
- Prayers for Laura Diaz, that she has a good and fast recovery from surgery.
- Caroline Kester-Haney asks for prayers for continued healing of her leg/foot.
- Linda Hendrickson asks for prayers for Mike Hendrickson, who is having health concerns.
- For a person to make a job decision for the future.
- Prayers for Renee for a healthy recovery following surgery.

**CONTINUING CONCERNS**

- Floyd & Arlene Weddle
- Judy Davis
- Onalee Smith
- The Kesters

**MISSION & OUTREACH NEWS**

Read about the Associated Churches Food Bank, the upcoming Fish Fry for Habitat for Humanity, the new ministry at Bashor Children's Home. How Caleb and Amy Cox are changing the lives of young people in Dallas and news from our missionaries Mason & Claire Miller.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN**

Monday to Friday 8am - 4pm

Email: [office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net) Phone: 260-489-1888

**PASTORAL EMERGENCIES**

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