



# Covenant Presbyterian Church

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## Covenant Update

September 16, 2022

**Introducing....**

**Charlie Jonathan  
Waltenbaugh**

8 pounds 7 ounces / 20 inches

The Waltenbaugh family is overjoyed with the arrival of their son! Baby Charlie joins his older siblings, Poppy, Arnie, and Goldie. A basket for cards and gifts may be found in the narthex. Parents Jesse and Emily are so thankful to the Lord for his provision of a healthy son.



## **Preliminary Building Vote Results**

After the worship service this past Sunday (September 11), a congregational meeting was held to vote on the following motion with respect to a potential fellowship hall: *To authorize Covenant's building committee to secure architectural drawings and regulatory permits for a potential building addition, with the understanding that a final vote on the project as a whole would be conducted at a later date once more specific information is in hand.* The result of the vote was 134 in favor, 3 against, with 1 abstention. We thank the Lord for providing such clear direction through His people regarding the next step in our congregational discernment process.



Our building committee will now continue to coordinate with the Session and others to draft a potential design layout for the addition. By using internal resources (mainly our building committee's expertise) to carefully plan a design that will both meet our needs and

remain within our budget, we will save time and expense once external architects are involved. Once official plans are in place, the state and local approval process will begin. There are many factors that make it difficult to determine how long this phase of the process will take, but the official design and approval could take perhaps up to two years. With specific architectural plans and cost estimates in hand, we would then be ready to call a final congregational meeting to vote on whether to proceed with the project as a whole.

Thank you for your prayers for the Lord's continued guidance for our building committee - Dave Fenchel, Greg Fisher, Ken Markwalter, and Bob McIntyre (chair)- as they continue their excellent work. You may also consider contributing to the building fund at any time. Most design and approval expenses will be covered through budgeted funds, but contributions in addition to your tithe are welcome if the Lord so leads. Periodic updates on the process will be provided, and if you have questions at any point, please feel free to contact the church office at any time.

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## Mission Sunday School with Philip and Joy



This Sunday we welcome one of our missionaries families, Philip and Joy. They are long-time, Covenant-supported MTW missionaries serving in Greece. Join us at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary for Sunday school with Rev. Philip. He will also be proclaiming God's Word during the worship service. As always, thank you for your prayers for these and all our missionaries!

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## Annual Dinner RSVP

Covenant's catered dinner is scheduled for Friday, October 21 at 6:00 p.m. The annual meeting will follow at 7:00 p.m. If you wish to attend the dinner Covenant provides, or need childcare during the meeting, please complete an RSVP form located in your church mailbox. Extras may be found in the narthex or you may click on the image. Parents of children three and under may utilize the nursery during dinner if they wish; no meal will be served in the nursery, but snacks will be provided. Please join us to share a meal together, watch a slideshow of the year in review, hear updates from ministry leaders, elect church officers, and review the 2023 budget.

Please return RSVP forms to Adrienne McMillan by **Sunday, October 16.**

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Covenant's Annual Meeting & Dinner*

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022  
DINNER 6:00 P.M. MEETING 7:00 P.M.**

PLEASE RSVP to Covenant's fully catered dinner which precedes the meeting and is provided by the church. Simply complete the information below and return this form to Adrienne McMillan by Sunday, October 16. Please contact Adrienne McMillan with questions regarding the dinner: (484-431-9274/graceandglory04@gmail.com)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending dinner:

Adults \_\_\_\_ Children ages 0-3 \_\_\_\_ Children age 4-grade 4 \_\_\_\_

Childcare for ages 3 or under is provided during the meal and children should be fed prior to arriving. Parents are also welcome to have their children present during the dinner if they wish.

Number of children requiring childcare during the meeting:

Children ages 0-3 \_\_\_\_ Children age 4-grade 4 \_\_\_\_



## Congregation Connection

### Women in Prayer

First and Third Saturdays  
New Season Begins Saturday, October 1  
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.  
Far Narthex

All ladies are invited to the Women in Prayer group, which meets the first and third Saturday morning of each month. We will kick off a new year of corporate prayer focused on the character of God with light refreshments and the theme of "God is Our Deliverer" on Saturday, October 1 at 9:00 a.m. in the far narthex. No sign-up is needed, but you may contact Barb Nelson with questions, to be put on the email list, or to indicate your need for childcare.

*Ladies, would you like to...*

- increase your affection for God and His Word?
- grow closer to other Covenant women of varied life seasons?
- praise God for what He has done and lift up ongoing prayer requests?
- ask for revival and spiritual awakening for our families, our church, our community and our world?
- find a relatively small and casual group that does not require a large time commitment?

*If so, we invite you to join...*

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# Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys, & Youth Group

The Sonflower Girls, Trailblazer Boys, and Youth Group will resume this Sunday, September 18 at 6:00 p.m. These meetings and activities encourage lifelong friendships centered on Christ, with the hope that strong Christian bonds will play a key role in our children's spiritual maturity.



## Upcoming Events

Please check [past Covenant Updates](#) for additional information

### September

- 9/20 at 7:00 p.m. - **Women's Bible Study** begins in Room 109 - Zoom Link [here](#)
- 9/24 at 9:30 a.m. - **Women's Season of Life Panel** - sign up in narthex by Sept 18
- 9/25 at 11:45 a.m. - **Officer Meet & Greet** - click [here](#) to learn more about the men standing for election
- 9/26 to 10/1 - **Clothing Exchange** - sign up in narthex to help

### October

- 10/1 at 9:00 a.m. - **Women in Prayer kickoff** - "God is Our Deliverer"
- 10/11 at 10:30 a.m. - Senior Fellowship **General Carl A. Spatz National USAAF Museum Tour** - more information [here](#) and sign up by Sept. 18
- 10/14-16 at Spruce Lake - **Men's Retreat** - details [here](#) and registration [here](#) (due Oct 2)
- 10/21 at 6:00 p.m. - **Annual Congregational Dinner and Meeting** - [RSVP](#) by Oct 16

- 10/23 at 9:15 a.m. - **New Member's Class Begins** - please sign up in narthex
- 10/28 at 6:00 p.m. - **Harvest Festival**

This Sunday Rev. Phillip will preach from **John 12:27-36a** and his sermon title is ***Look up and See Jesus***. He writes, "Jesus Christ, high and lifted up in his death and resurrection, stands alone as the object of our praise. With Him as our focus, we are united together as a global church as we follow him in faith."

[Live Stream](#)

[Worship Bulletin](#)

*We look forward to worshipping with you  
this week!*

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