

About Covenant

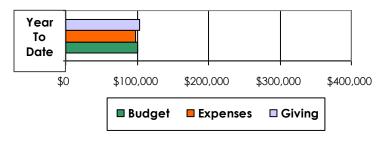
Our Mission

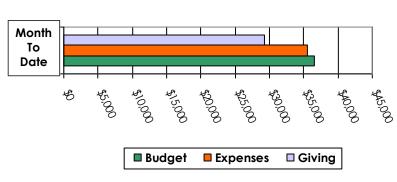
Covenant Presbyterian Church is a Christ-centered church whose members seek to: reach out to others with the message and love of Christ; enable people to become faithful, mature disciples of Jesus; and help people discover and use their spiritual gifts through meaningful worship, nurture, prayer, education and service to our members and beyond.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Budget, Expenses & Giving







Mission Focus

The neighborhood feud had been simmering for years.

No one knows what caused the violence to flare up, but suddenly chaos erupted. Hundreds of men and women started to protest.

Then people on both sides began attacking each other with rocks, sticks, and guns. Authorities told everyone to stay home. A curfew was imposed, and the neighborhood was put on lock-down

Javed, a follower of Jesus discipled by a Frontiers worker, lived in the neighborhood. He knew his neighbors were hurting and in need of the Gospel of peace. Driven to share Christ, he made his way through the streets, dodging protesters and police officers. Soon Javed found himself at the back entrance of a huge openair compound. Several Muslim families—literally hundreds of people—were living in the space. He introduced himself to a small group of men.

"I have good news that you have no idea about," he announced. As he shared the message of Christ, over 30 men joined the group.

When he finished speaking, several men asked to hear more. A few days later Javed ventured back. Men crowded around as he shared his testimony and showed them a film about Jesus. Then over a dozen men agreed to study the Bible with Javad, and they made plans to start meeting together. More than 50 Muslim families in the village have responded with interest in the Gospel.

After a couple of weeks, two families in the compound committed to follow Jesus but soon moved out of the city and away from the protests to live in a nearby village. Javed had been mentoring a man named Hakim there, helping him mature as a disciple of Christ. With Hakim's encouragement, the family members began to testify about Jesus with bold confidence.

As a result of their witness, more than 50 Muslim families in the village have responded with interest in the Gospel! They've been studying about Jesus together and are growing in love for Christ.

- Praise God for faithful believers like Javed who are unafraid to share the Good News in times of uncertainty.
- Pray this fledgling network of Muslim-background believers will grow into a movement of faith in Jesus Christ that spreads throughout the region.
- Ask the Lord to raise up more laborers who will go, make
- disciples among Muslims, and share the Gospel with boldness. Covenant and the EPC partner with Frontiers and their outreach to Muslims. Please pray for K&N, M&B who work through this mission.





April 4 - 10



Livestreaming





WELCOME!

I'm so glad you have chosen to be with us for this special Easter Service of Worship. It is worship of the Living God that brings us together today and throughout the year--our willingness to say "Yes" to the Heavenly Father who said "Yes" to us once-and-for-all by sending His Eternal Son to save us from our sins.

That "Yes" is the affirmation of total love. May you feel God's absolute love for you in a deep way today, and may that love become an ever-increasing reality in your thoughts and motivation for your actions.

- Pastor Jay

Nursery Care

We have a staffed nursery for children ages 3 and under during both worship services. (Room 120)

Children

Children preschool through fifth grade are invited to participate in Children's Church. Because of Covid-19, the children go directly to Room 113. Your chidren will return to sanctuary during the closing hymn/song.

Covenant is providing child care during our worship services at the 9am and 11am services.

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works,

Hebrews 10:23-24



The Good News

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...(I Corinthians 5:3-4)

† THAT CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows... But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed... We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; & the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:4-6)

☆ AND THAT HE WAS BURIED

You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea (Micah 7:19) ...as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:12)

† AND THAT HE ROSE AGAIN

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. (I Corinthians 15:22)... Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives & believes in me will never die..." (John 11:25-26)

A HUMANITY'S NEED

But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear. (Isaiah 59:2)... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God... For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 3:23, 6:23)

■ GOD'S REMEDY

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)

8→ WHAT SHALL I DO, LORD?

That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved... for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Romans 10:9-13)

♥ CHOOSE LIFE!

I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. (Deuteronomy 30:19-20)... Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. (Isaiah 55:6)



This Week

Sunday -Communion Sunday

6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service 9:00 am Easter Service Traditional 11:00 am Easter Service Contemporary Monday

9-5pm Office Hours M-Thurs Wednesday

9:30 am Wed. Women Bible Study 2:00 pm Wed. Afterschool Care 5:30 pm MOPS 7:00 pm Praise Band Practice

<u>Thursday</u>

7:00 pm Choir Practice

<u>Saturday</u>

8:00 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Garden Work Day

Need more information?

- Login to The Realm
- Check the information board in the foyer
- Go to Covenant's Website www.covenant-reno.org
- Call the church office at 746-8118

Upcoming

June 13 Evening Services
June 18-20 -Women's Retreat
June 21-25 VBS
June 27—Picnic
August 8—Ice Cream Social

HAPPY EASTER!!

Combined Sunday Service

Beginning June 13th through August 8th, we will have one Combined Service on Sunday at 10:00 am and will begin our 7:00 pm evening worship services.

Women's Retreat

Registration is **now OPEN** on the Realm for the Women's Retreat June 18-20th.

VBS Registration

VBS Registration will **begin April 12**. Registration through our website, the Realm, in person or a phone call. 775-746-8118

Community Garden— Date Correction

- Covenant's Community Garden will be starting up again Saturday April 10 at 9:00am, weather permitting. Anyone who wants a garden plot please contact Mary Anderson at mary.anderson43@gmail.com or 775-636-8729.
- Anyone who has yard debris ie leaves, small branches, plants, grasses, - please bag it and bring it by on April 10th. We will have a chipper to turn the debris into mulch for the garden.
- Also, on April 10 we will be fixing some of the chicken wire and PVC covers. Some of them need the chicken wire covers to be secured to the PVC pipes with zip ties. We'll assign garden beds. And we will chip up the vegetable garden debris from last year.

Church Matters and You Matter—1 Corinthians

Looking forward to the reading and studying of 1 Corinthians, starting **April 14th at 6:30 pm.** Jay will be offering a hybrid setting for those that want to come to the church and for those that want to use Zoom. Study guides are available on the info board.



Prayers for the Family

Health Concerns

Earlene Schneider

Neva Clausen surgery 3/5

Cynthia O'Connor (submitted by Elizabeth Olson)

Lori Lauder-Heart procedure (submitted by Barbara Landis)

Sara Cash - health (submitted by Patrick McNeeley)

Dana Smith—(submitted by Patrick McNeeley)

John Giacomazzi (submitted by Brent Ford)

Alannah Lou Reed (submitted by Betty Lou Reed) -Severe Injury

Sandie Crawford – (back pain) (Submitted by Jim Prosser)

Allen Z. (Submitted by Betty Lou Reed)

Dorothy Weisinger (submitted by Tania Ohlhauser – Tania's Mother)

Toni Bondello

Life Circumstances

Darren & family—loss from fire, car stolen, new baby (submitted by unknown) **Lesley Weller** (submitted by Carole Faeth)

<u>Bereavement</u>

Family, wife Vicky, and Friends of **Ralph McMullian** (submitted by Betty Lou Reed & Lorrie Ford **Family** and Friends of **Bruce Prosser**, brother of Jim Prosser and Joanne Dickson **Family** and friends of **Tim Hoins**, Pastor Hanford

Family and friends of Jim Wood, Jeanette Prosser's father

Mission Prayers

- Pray for Frontiers mission workers and their outreach to Muslims;
- Pray for Christians in Muslim-majority areas who are often targeted with violence at Easter;
- Pray for friends in Myanmar where violence is raging: C.K Hrong-Tiam is
 the dean of the seminary there. Pa Pui and Sonny have orphanages
 with over 30 kids each. In Yangon, the capitol, Pa Uk and Eunice teach
 in Bible schools and Tong Or is a pastor with his wife, Tasui. They have all
 visited us in Reno.
- Pray for all of our mission workers, those in Reno and those across the globe. May their determination to share Jesus and their physical and spiritual energies be renewed as they share the Gospel in light on

Resurrection Day!

On Active Military Tour of Duty

Matthew Stanley, Chase Lemon, Matthew Cunningham, Duncan O'Brien, Cooper McCurry, Westin Hart, Terran Billharz, Brian Zordell, Levi Sanchez, Cody Carr, Gary Hogman, Maille Mathieu

Prayer Requests
Name of Person to pray for:
Concern or Update
Submitted by
Date
o For Church-wide prayer o For Pastor/Staff Prayer o Post on the Realm
Prayer submissions will be listed for 4 weeks; if an extension is desired, please request with an update. Put your request in the offering plate or in the

prayer request box located on the table at the back of the Sanctuary.