

# COVENANT CHIMES

Covenant Presbyterian Church • Augusta, Georgia • September 2023

## World Communion Sunday

Save the Date and Plan to Join Us!



World Communion  
Sunday Potluck,  
Sunday, October 1  
after 10:00 a.m.  
worship in the  
fellowship hall.

## CHURCH STAFF

**Ministers:** All Covenant Members

**Co-Pastors:**

The Rev. Katelyn Gordon Cooke and  
The Rev. Andy Cooke

**Director of Music and Organist:**

Lyn M. Patterson

**Parish Associate:**

The Rev. Karla Conditt Daniels

**Nursery Caregivers:**

Alex Krumme, Sherry Nash, and  
Sara van Plew

**Church Administrator:**

Rachel Gregory

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Office Hours:

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

## From Our Pastor

I recently listened to an interview with theologian Stanley Hauerwas, and he said something that has stuck with me. He said, “The ability to live well is the ability to live without explanation.”

You may have seen the sign at the driveway of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church over by the Augusta Exchange Shopping Center. The message on the sign changed recently, but for a while this summer it read, “Faith is not an explanation but a demonstration.” I don’t know the source of that quote, but I like it.

As we’ve begun this new faith formation year at Covenant, there might be a temptation to think to yourself, “This is it. I’m going to come to Sunday School and worship every week; I’m going to read my Bible and pray every day; and I’m finally going to have answers to all of my questions.” If that’s been a temptation for you (or even if it hasn’t), I’m here with the good and hard news that you’re never going to have all of the answers, and, for a lot of the things that really matter in our lives, there aren’t any explanations for them.

I’m sorry about that, but I’m also not sorry because what happens when we stop trying to explain things? Often what happens is that we do a better job of noticing what’s in front of us. We do a better job of paying attention and listening. We love more, and we judge less. We trade our explanations for curiosity, and we share our wonderings with others.

That’s really what we’re hoping will happen in all that we do at Covenant - not that we all become experts on God and masters in faith, but that we all become keen observers and good listeners who can sit in the space of not necessarily knowing but still trusting. God’s love and grace for us in Jesus Christ defy explanation, which means that our part is to receive and share that love and grace with others. It’s as easy and as hard that.

This month’s newsletter is filled with opportunities for you to practice this kind of faith – from Sunday morning formation classes to Wednesday Night Fellowship to the Take Up the Cause event at the end of this month. May all that we do be a demonstration of our faith in the Spirit’s work in this world and the hope that we have in Christ.

With inexplicable grace and peace,

Katelyn

# Clerk's Corner

## **August 1, 2023 Session Meeting**

- Facility Usage Request  
P.E.O. Tuesday Bi-monthly meeting: Parlor, August 8, 2023, October 10, 2023, February 13, 2024, April 9, 2024, June 11, 2024.  
Playground: Maegan Whitworth - July 1, 2023, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall: Cindy Wallerich - September 16, 2023, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Membership: review church membership statistics - there are 210 members as of July 24, 2023.
- Communion Servers: August 6, 2023 - Judy Grieve, Jim Buckalew, Aubrey Moore. Susan Monk will help as needed.
- Commissioners for August 26, 2023 presbytery meeting on zoom:  
Steve Bell, Chris Henry, Mary McCarter and Judy Grieve.
- Treasurer Aubrey Moore reported that the June 2023 Covenant budget figures showed a surplus of \$10,276.21 and in July 2023 the surplus was \$24,621.55.  
Preschool budget figures for June 2023 showed a surplus of \$8,333.13. The July 2023 budget figures for July showed a deficit of \$686.88.

## **Motions**

There were no motions.

September 5, 2023 will be the next Session meeting at 7:00 p.m.

*But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD. Joshua 24:15*

Judy Grieve, Clerk of Session

## Wednesday Night Fellowship

Wednesdays, September 6, 13, and 20

Fellowship Hall

Dinner – 5:30-6:00 p.m.

Dinner is provided each week by one of the Covenant Ministry Teams. Check the weekly email and Sunday bulletin for menu details.

Program – 6:15-7:00 p.m.

In the quiet of a cave on a hillside. On the banks of a river in the dark of night. At the top of a mountain hidden in the clouds.

Scripture includes a variety of stories of particular places where people had encounters with the living God. In ancient Celtic tradition, these places were known as “thin places,” and many of us have such places in our own lives. These are the places where it seems heaven and earth come close, and we are given a clearer glimpse of the holy in our midst.



## The Air We Breathe

Beginning on September 27, Andy will lead a five-week Wednesday Night series called *The Air We Breathe*. This series will examine values that are deeply held in our culture that creep into the edges of our faith. Over the course of five weeks, we will look at rationalism, freedom, individualism, capitalism, and nationalism, and we will ask ourselves what faith looks like apart from these deeply held cultural values. This series was developed as a part of Andy's Doctor of Ministry studies at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.



The Air  
We Breathe

# Welcome New Members



## **Nancy Gilleland**

Nancy Blalock Gilleland's parents joined Covenant in 1973 when she was very young. Nancy was baptized at Covenant a few years later in 1983, and she was involved in the youth group through her teenage years.

Nancy left Augusta and lived in Hawaii for 18 years, where she worked as an interior designer. She is back in Georgia now, where she works at the Office of Architects at the University of Georgia.

Though she lives in Athens, she and her daughter, Shirley (14), are here in Augusta most weekends visiting her parents, Tom and Ann Blalock, and sister, Laurie Blalock Hudson.

We are excited to have Nancy return to her home congregation after all these years.



## **Lizabeth Fields Wilson**

Lizabeth Fields Wilson was born and raised Presbyterian while growing up in Ohio. Her mother was a deacon and superintendent of Sunday school.

Beth married Steve Wilson, a Martinez native in 1985, and five years later when she found out she was having a baby girl she knew she needed to find a new church to join.

Beth spent 30 years at Pleasant Hill PC in Duluth, GA, becoming very involved and ordained as an elder in 2007.

Beth and Steve moved from Duluth to Martinez in 2019 to be closer to Steve's family. After looking into the PCUSA churches when they moved, she decided to come to Covenant. She knew when she walked in the door this was where she was supposed to be and that Covenant would be her new church family. Sadly, in July 2022, Steve passed away from cancer.

Beth has a stepson and two grandchildren in Duluth, GA., and a daughter and son-in-law in Denver, CO. Between here and Lincolnton, she has about 50 members of Steve's family whom she sees frequently.

We welcome Beth to her new church family.

# Education Ministry

## Disciples

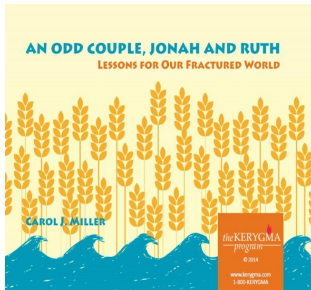
*An Odd Couple, Jonah and Ruth* is the new Bible study for the DISCIPLES group. This study begins September 13, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 104 and continues for nine sessions on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays each month.

The book of Ruth is about as far from the style of the book of Jonah as possible, yet both stories are concerned with God's love for outsiders and our response to God's commands to love neighbors and enemies.

Members of the class take turns leading the lesson and use the guide provided with graphics and videos.

Contact Judy Grieve if you would like to join this study of two well-known people in the Hebrew Testament: [judygrieve@mac.com](mailto:judygrieve@mac.com) or text 407-230-6853.

DISCIPLES look forward to new members.



## SALT

**Adult SALT**  
(Sharing and Learning Together)  
11:15 a.m. in Room 7

All adults are invited to participate in our SALT Sunday School class.

Our topic is an interesting and informative book and video series by Adam Hamilton titled, *Christianity and World Religions*. The book explores four major world religions-Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism-and compares the beliefs of each with those of Christianity.

Adam deals openly and honestly with questions people ask about other religions, such as:

- How should Christians view other religions?
- How is God at work in other religions?
- What is the fate of those who pursue God through other religions?

For questions about the class, please contact Steve Bell, Judy Grieve, or Kathy Ordelt.

## Emmaus Class

Sunday Mornings at 11:15 a.m.  
Room 12

This month, we're getting to back to Bible basics. Many of us grew up in the church and remember learning about the Bible in Sunday School, but that's been a while. Some of us didn't grow up in the church and are curious why this particular book means so much to Christians.

Each week, we'll spend time learning about the Bible – its composition, context, and contradictions. This ancient text still has something new to say to us today, and we hope you'll join us as we listen and learn together.

For questions about the class, please contact Karla Conditt Daniels.

## WINGS- Women in God's Service (PW)

All women are invited to the 2023-2024 monthly meetings of WINGS. Meetings will resume on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 7. This year's study book is *Sacred Encounters, The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts*.

## Coffee and Conversation

Gathering Area by the Fellowship Hall Kitchen

You've already come to worship, so stay after the service for coffee and conversation in the Fellowship Hall. Join other Covenant friends for some time to visit and see where the Spirit leads us in conversation.

This time is meant to be informal, and all are welcome!

## Children in Worship

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me,” and we believe that Jesus’ invitation to children included worship. At the same time, we know it can be hard for little ones to sit through a worship service, so we want to help.

There are children’s bulletins available every Sunday in the back of the sanctuary. These bulletins frequently correspond with the sermon Scripture reading, and they include word puzzles, games, and coloring activities. We also have worship bags available for little ones in the back of the sanctuary. Each tote bag has crayons (or markers), a clipboard with coloring pages, and other activities and materials to keep your child’s hands busy and to help them engage in worship.

## **Children**

### Preschool

Children in kindergarten and younger // Room 2

Each week, teachers share a brief Bible story, prayer, and activity with the preschoolers for the first 10-15 minutes of the faith formation time starting at 11:15 a.m. In September, we’re learning about God’s creation and how Jesus loves children.

### Elementary School

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Graders  
Room 103

Sundays, September 10 and 24  
Elementary Sunday School meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month, and we’re excited to spend some time together! On Sunday, September 10, we’ll learn about how God gave everyone gifts that they can share with others. On Sunday, September 24, we’ll learn about how God welcomes everyone in God’s community – even the people that other people might want to leave out.

## **Youth**

### Sunday Morning Small Groups

Sunday mornings // 11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
Rooms 203 and 204

One of the first things we learn in Scripture is that people are made in the image of God. It follows, then, that we can learn more about ourselves by learning about God and vice versa. Our theme for this fall’s small group discussions is **“Knowing God, Knowing Yourself,”** and each week we’ll explore different ways we can get to know God and ourselves.

Over the next few months, we’ll learn about God through Scripture, prayer, and community, and we’ll learn about ourselves through conversation and reflection, personality instruments like the Myers Briggs Type Indicator, and spiritual gifts inventories. Knowing about God and knowing about ourselves helps us to live more faithfully in our day-to-day lives.

Sunday, September 10 – Knowing God: Names for God  
Sunday, September 17 – Knowing Yourself: Myers Briggs with Andy  
Sunday, September 24 – Knowing Yourself: Myers Briggs, part 2

### Second Sunday Service

Sunday, September 10 // 3:00-4:30 p.m. // Room 203 (High School youth room)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Take Up the Cause event is scheduled for Saturday, September 30, and the hosts of the event need our help! One of the activities at Take Up the Cause will be a confessional booth where people can confess their assumptions and judgments about people experiencing homelessness and living in poverty.

Covenant youth get to create the confessional booth as their second Sunday service activity this month. Elaine Lea from the Matthew 25 Task Force will join us and help us to learn more about systemic poverty in our community and our church’s efforts to end poverty.

### Fourth Sunday Fellowship

Sunday, September 24 // after Worship and Small Groups // Place TBD

Let’s have lunch together! After worship and Sunday morning small groups, we’ll go out to eat at a local restaurant. Youth will have the opportunity to vote on the restaurant as the date gets closer.



# Preschool Sunday Sundaes

## August 13, 2023



## Thank-yous

### Tuesday Crew

Every Tuesday morning, Chuck Baldwin, Terry Bowers, John Ealick, and Charles Jay gather at Covenant to do projects around the building at Covenant. We have started referring to them as the “Tuesday Crew” around the church office. If we have an issue around the building or the grounds, our first call is usually to the Tuesday Crew. They save the church thousands of dollars each year by tackling maintenance work that we would normally call an outside company to do. They spend hours every week replacing light bulbs, programming thermostats, fixing leaks, trimming shrubs, and doing other odd jobs that need to be done around the church. Most people are probably not aware of this, but I think that it is important that you know and that we publicly thank them for their work. If you have the time and energy, then they would welcome you to join them any Tuesday.

*Andy Cooke*

Dear Covenant Family and Friends,

I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful reception, love offering, cards, hugs, calls, texts, and support that I received as I transition from Covenant to a new career.

The last 21 years with Covenant has been wonderful, and I could not have asked for a more supportive and loving community with which to work.

I am grateful for having the opportunity to serve with you in the church’s ministry.

*Judy Stroganoff*

### Flower Ministry

A very heartfelt thank you to everyone who brought vases to Covenant for our flower ministry. These vases will ensure that we will continue to be able to deliver the sanctuary flowers to members who are sick or unable to attend church.

*Cindy Wallerich*

Thank You!

Meals on Wheels is doing great and I would like to give a special thank you to all my helpers. Susan and Philip Monk, Sabina Widner, Aubrey Moore, Gail Baker, Lucyle Ferris, Angela and Mac Hobby, and as always Chris Terry for his continued support.

*Phil Humphrey*

## Preschool

The 2023-2024 school year is off to a great start Covenant Preschool and Children’s Day Out – in no small part due to the generosity of the Covenant congregation during the preschool school supply drive! Thank you so much for the donations of Play-Doh, felt board figures, dolls, barnyard animals, and so many other items that will make school and learning that much more fun for our students!

The students and teachers are getting settled into their routines and classrooms, and this month, we’ll begin our enrichment activities, which include weekly Spanish and music classes as well as a weekly chapel service in the sanctuary. We’re also having our first Grandfriends Day on Monday, September 11, and we’ll welcome and celebrate our students’ grandparents and older friends to our classrooms.

Your prayers and support mean so much to the staff and families of the preschool. Thank you for the many ways you share God’s love with them and help them to feel welcome at our church!

Peace,

Katelyn Gordon Cooke  
Co-Pastor and Preschool Director

## Nominations for Leaders

The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) has begun the work of discerning who among us might be called to lead at Covenant in the coming years. We are searching for four elders (3 year term), three deacons (3 year term), and two CNC members (2 year term). If you would like to nominate someone to serve in one of these roles at Covenant, then please fill out the bulletin insert on Sunday morning, come by the church office during the week to fill out a form, or email me at [charlotte.ealick@gmail.com](mailto:charlotte.ealick@gmail.com). You are also welcome to nominate yourself. The session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 19 to hear a report from the CNC and to elect these leaders. Thank you for your help as we begin our work!

Charlotte Ealick, Chair

Congregational Nominating Committee





# September

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
27	9:15am Covenant Summer Choir* 9:45am Called Session Meeting, Parlor 10:00am Worship Service* 11:15am Sunday School* 12:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting, Room 104 12:15pm Worship Ministry Team Meeting, Parlor	28	5:00pm Companions in Christ, Parlor	29	3:30pm Communion at Brandon Wide 7:00pm Stated Session Meeting, Parlor	30	7:15pm Covenant Choir, Balcony	31	7:00pm Stewardship Task Force, Zoom	1		2	10:00am Meas on Wheels 1:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Rm 104
3	No Sunday School 9:15am Covenant Summer Choir* 10:00am Communion Worship Service*	4	<b>Labor Day</b> Office and Preschool Closed	5	3:30pm Communion at Brandon Wide 7:00pm Stated Session Meeting, Parlor	6	9:30am Preschool Chapel, Sanctuary 5:30pm WNF Dinner, Fellowship Hall* 6:15pm WNF Program, Fellowship Hall* 7:15pm Covenant Choir, Balcony	7	5:00pm ADK Steering Committee, Fellowship Hall or Parlor, Tentative 6:00pm Jubilation Ringers	8		9	9:30am Day of Singing, Balcony and Parlor 10:00am Meas on Wheels 1:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Rm 104
10	10:00am Worship Service* 11:00am Equal Exchange Coffee Sale* 11:15am Sunday School* 12:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting, Room 104 3:00pm Youth, Second Sunday Service, Room 203	11	9:15am Preschool-Grandfriends Day 6:00pm Diaconate Meeting, Room 12 6:30pm Building and Grounds Ministry Team Meeting, Fellowship Hall, Tentative 7:00pm Congregational Life Ministry Team, Zoom	12	11:30am Ladies for Lunch, Village Deli 12:00pm Men's Lunch, Fellowship Hall 4:00pm Education Ministry Team, Room 104	13	9:30am Preschool Chapel, Sanctuary 1:30pm Covenant Staff Meeting, Work Room 5:30pm WNF Dinner, Fellowship Hall* 6:15pm WNF Program, Fellowship Hall* 7:15pm Covenant Choir, Balcony	14	11:30am ADK Steering Committee, Fellowship Hall or Parlor, Tentative 5:00pm ADK Steering Committee, Fellowship Hall or Parlor, Tentative 6:00pm Jubilation Ringers	15		16	8:00am Men's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall 10:00am Church Women United Meeting/Program, Fellowship Hall 10:00am Meas on Wheels 1:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Rm 104
17	10:00am Worship Service* 11:15am Sunday School* 12:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting, Room 104	18	COVENANT CHIMES DEADLINE	19	Individual School Photos 6:30pm Sustainability Ministry Team, Room 7	20	Individual School Photos 9:30am Preschool Chapel, Sanctuary 5:30pm WNF Dinner, Fellowship Hall* 6:15pm WNF Program, Fellowship Hall* 7:15pm Covenant Choir, Balcony	21	9:00am Preschool PTO Meeting, Room 7 1:15pm Preschool Staff Meeting, Room 7 6:00pm Jubilation Ringers	22		23	10:00am Meas on Wheels 1:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Rm 104
24	10:00am Worship Service* 11:15am Sunday School* 12:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting, Room 104 12:00pm Youth, Fourth Sunday Fellowship, Lunch 12:15pm Worship Ministry Team Meeting, Parlor	25		26	12:00pm Men's Lunch, Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Mission Ministry Team, Zoom	27	9:30am Preschool Chapel, Sanctuary 1:30pm Covenant Staff Meeting, Work Room 5:30pm WNF Dinner, Fellowship Hall* 6:15pm WNF Program, Fellowship Hall* 7:15pm Covenant Choir, Balcony	28	6:00pm Jubilation Ringers	29		30	9:00am Take Up the Cause, GAP Ministries 10:00am Meas on Wheels 1:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Rm 104 4:00pm Hymn Festival, St. Paul's Episcopal Church



Second Annual

# TAKE UP THE CAUSE

A Christian Response to Systemic Poverty

Sponsored by Christ Presbyterian Church, Covenant Presbyterian Church, and GAP Ministries.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Greene St. Mission Center • 1235 Greene St. • Augusta, Ga.

with special guests including

**Mayor Garnett Johnson &  
Commissioner Jordan Johnson**

Opening worship begins at 9:30.

At 10:00, there will be educational opportunities and resources to respond to poverty in the CSRA.

**Please bring a canned good or other item for our food drive.**

For more information, contact Covenant Presbyterian at 706-733-0513.

*Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed.  
Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.  
Isaiah 1:17*



## GAP ITEM OF THE MONTH

The GAP items of the month September is canned soup. We always need food that goes into the "walking bags" that we give to the homeless and to the working poor who come by to get something for lunch. We provide two sandwiches, chips or crackers, water with flavoring, fruit and a sweet. Some of these items are seldom available from Golden Harvest at their special pricing, so we really appreciate donations of packs of crackers, small packs of cookies, flavor packets for water bottles, chips, and small containers of fruit.

### List of Items by Month

January: Hot chocolate

February: Canned pork and beans

March: Canned chicken or ham

April: Boxes of cereal

May: Toothbrushes & toothpaste

June: Deodorant

July: Canned fruit

August: Canned pork and beans

September: Canned soup

October: Instant grits or oatmeal (Individual packets)

November: Stuffing mix (type which only needs water added)

December: Beef stew or chili

### EQUAL EXCHANGE

#### COFFEE AND

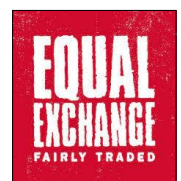
#### CHOCOLATE SALE

Mission Ministry will be hosting a sale of coffee and chocolate from Equal Exchange on Sunday, September 10.

Look for the table in the narthex after the worship service.

Charlotte Ealick and

Sabina Widner



### MEALS ON WHEELS

We are still in need of a couple more drivers and cooks. If you would like to sign-up to cook or deliver meals on a Saturday in September you can contact Phil Humphrey, our Meals on Wheels coordinator at 762-328-9211.





We all have “desert times” in our life when we are confronted with difficult circumstances. During these times, is prayer your first line of defense? How does prayer help to keep you moving through the darkness? Who are family members and friends who can support you with prayer and encouragement?

*"The value of persistent prayer is not that God will hear us, but that we will finally hear God." - William McGill*

Your Diaconate Prayer Action Team  
Joyce Bowers, LJ Jay, and Kathy Ordelt



**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Our Flower Calendar is a meaningful way to show love and to glorify God. If you would like to donate flowers, check with Rachel Gregory in the church office to make sure your date is available. Forms to order flowers and to include a special message for the bulletin are available in the church office. You are welcome to use your own florist or Rachel can place the order with the florist that Covenant uses. The cost of each arrangement is usually \$125.

**Prayer Concerns**

**NEW CELEBRATIONS AND PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Lori Rogers** - Breast cancer surgery (0823)

**CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS**

Continued prayer concerns will be removed after three months. Please contact the church office to have them renewed or moved to enduring concerns.

- All of Covenant’s Missionaries**
- All who serve in the U.S. Military**
- Bebe Raymer** (Daughter of Beth Ashmore) - Oral Surgery (0803)
- Reed Woodward** (Nancy Carr’s grandson) - At home, post surgery (0720)
- James Golden** (Friend of Angela & Bobby Vernoy) - Morgan, GA (0725)
- Charles Teffeteller** (Friend of Angela & Bobby Vernoy) - Birmingham, AL (0725)
- Beau William Byrne** (Lyn Patterson’s great-nephew) - California (0727)
- Alaine and Rusty Bethune** (GAP volunteers) - Health concerns (0802)
- Martha Bertrand** - At home (0627)
- Courtney and Ella Davis** (0601)
- Fred Gehle** – At home (0629)
- Sam and Maddie McCarter**, who are expecting a baby (0419)
- Gloria Miller** (friend of Sarah Colborn) (0601)

- Everett Henry Nimitz** (Chris & Anne Ealick Henry’s great-nephew) – Born at 25 weeks gestational age, Charlottesville, VA (0722)
- Jennifer Shook** (Elaine Lea’s sister) – Bandon, OR (0601)
- Sue Walsh** (friend of Diane Griffin) – Cancer treatment (0601)

**ENDURING CONCERNS**

- Betty Johnston** - Brandon Wilde (0613)
  - Dorris Andrews** (Elaine Lea’s mother) – Brandon Wilde
  - Joe and Eunice Cook** – Brandon Wilde
  - Bill Cornes** – At home
  - Phyllis Daniels** – Brandon Wilde
  - Dan Freeman** (Kaye Petkas’ brother) – Winter Park, FL
  - Priscilla Gilman** – Brandon Wilde
  - Erroll Hatcher** – Adairsville, GA
  - Leah Mannel** – Brandon Wilde
  - Jocelyn Martin-Moses** (Karell Moses’ mother) – At home
  - Anita Parker** (Joslyn Fields’ cousin) – Beaufort, SC
  - Elizabeth Swink** – At home
  - Jane Terry** (Chris Terry’s mother) – Lake Wales, FL
  - Danny Williams** – Benton House
- And for all those whose names we hold in our hearts.

The prayer ministry is led by deacons Kathy Ordelt, Joyce Bowers, and Linda-Jean Jay. To add a prayer concern, please contact the church office at rgregory@covenantaugusta.org The prayer team will pray for these and other confidential/unlisted prayer concerns on a weekly basis. To add a confidential/unlisted prayer concern, please contact a pastor or a deacon.

# September Worship Schedule

## PREACHER

9/3: Katelyn Gordon Cooke  
9/10: Karla Conditt Daniels  
9/17: Andy Cooke  
9/24: Katelyn Gordon Cooke

## GREETERS

9/3: Kadie Cheeks &  
Kathryn Crandall  
9/10: Jim Crimmins  
9/17: Jane & Fred Gehle  
9/24: Amelia Hall

## A/V TEAM

Steve Bell, Terry Bowers, Miller  
Cooke, John Ealick, Charles Jay, and  
Ralph Gillies

## USHERS

9/3: Judy Grieve, Chris Henry,  
Ruth Mayhall, Philip Monk  
Buddy Simpson, Bill Usry  
9/10: Steve Bell, Jimmy Carson,  
Dalton Cooper, John Ealick,  
Angela Hobby, Ruben  
Rivera  
9/17: Jim Buckalew,  
Jim Crimmins, William  
Davis, Jimmy Lea, Johnny  
Lowe, Charlie Terry  
9/24: Hugh Dobbins, Dave Lapp,  
Lucyle Ferris,  
Edwin Scott, Beth Wilson

## LITURGIST/READER

### AT 10:00 AM SERVICE

9/3: Andrea Butt  
9/10: Ben Rogers  
9/17: Dalton Cooper  
9/24: L.J. Jay

## COORDINATORS

Lindsay Kircher, *Greeter Coordinator*  
Steve Bell, *A/V Team Coordinator*  
Chris Henry, *Usher Coordinator*  
Kaye Petkas, *Liturgist/Reader Coordinator*  
Cindy Wallerich, *Flower Coordinator*

## Hymn Festival

### “The Faith We Sing”

With Dr. David Cherwien,  
St. Paul’s Church Augusta  
September 30, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

You are invited to come and join us  
as we sing together in a Hymn  
Festival led and accompanied by Dr.  
David Cherwien. It is sponsored by  
the Augusta Chapter of the American  
Guild of Organists, and the family of  
the late Dale Hesse (a member of the  
Augusta AGO).

Dr. Cherwien serves as Cantor at Mt.  
Olive Lutheran Church, Minneapolis,  
MN and recently retired after 21  
years as Artistic Director for the  
National Lutheran Choir. He is well  
known for bringing creativity to  
hymn accompaniment and singing.  
He utilizes many styles that engage  
the participants and provide a deep,  
authentic faith that lifts up our hearts  
and glorifies God.

Hymn Festival “The Faith We Sing”  
is at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 605  
Reynolds Street, Augusta, GA 30901  
on Saturday, September 30, 2023 at  
4:00 p.m. There will be a Mass  
Choir including a number of singers  
from Covenant. A reception follows  
at 5:00 p.m. in the River Room at  
St. Paul’s. Everyone is welcome,  
attendance is free.

## Congregational Life

### Ladies for Lunch

Ladies for Lunch will meet Tuesday,  
September 12, at 11:30 a.m. Women  
and friends of Covenant will gather at  
The Village Deli, 2803 Wrightsboro  
Rd, Daniel Village Shopping Center.

Contact Phoebe Crimmins at  
706-738-7820 or by email at  
[phoebebeach30@hotmail.com](mailto:phoebebeach30@hotmail.com) to make  
your reservation for this gathering so  
that we may have space for you.

### Men’s Brownbag Lunch

Join us on Tuesday, September 12 &  
26 at noon in the Fellowship Hall for  
Men’s Brownbag Lunch.

Bring your own lunch from home or  
grab something on the way to the  
church. We’ll catch up with each  
other and share a brief devotional  
together.

We will meet on the second and  
fourth Tuesday of every month.  
For more information, contact Andy  
Cooke.



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