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Monthly Newsletter of Covenant Church

April, 2025

April is special for us here at Covenant as we connect with our church and throughout the community. We hope that you will come and be a part of our programs throughout the month!

I want to highlight our Holy Week activities because I think that each of those can help to connect you closer to God. We begin Holy Week with our Palm Sunday services on April 13th. Our services will highlight not only the celebrations that went on as Jesus entered Jerusalem but also the tragic realities that lied ahead. We will have our Maundy Thursday service at 6:30 on April 17th where we will have communion and strip the sanctuary in preparation for the crucifixion.

But thankfully, our story doesn't end with a cross. It ends with an open grave! And we will celebrate that fully on April 20th with a Sunrise service complete with special music beginning at 7 AM followed by breakfast. We will also have our Easter Cantata highlighting our 9 AM Easter service and amazing music from our Praise Band at 11 AM! And in the middle at 10? Our Easter Egg Hunt for all of our children in our community. It will be a wild, amazing, fun day for sure!

And I emphasize that the last part of Holy Week as we continue through Lent: sometimes Lent seems like a lot. Let's be honest: sometimes life is a lot. However, if we continue, focused on God, someday Easter is going to happen. The trials and tribulations that you are going through will be redeemed by the blood on the cross and we are buried in a grave that was opened by our Lord and Savior! I love Holy Week because it starts out with a bang, trudges along through the reality of our brokenness, but ends with Jesus breaking the world from the chains of sin forever. And that is something we all need in these times!

Come join us throughout April! And connect with others, with Covenant, and most important our God! It will be an April like none other before!

Faithfully,

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Prayers and Praises

- Prayers for Janice Meservey who is recovering from knee surgery.
- Prayers for Jill Harris-Soles as she recovers from emergency gallbladder surgery.
- Prayers for Linda Schneider as she recovers from a surgical procedure.
- Prayers for John Stenersen, husband of Diane Stenersen, who is home, recovering from surgery. Prayer go out to Rylan Tarrant for continued health
- improvement.
- Prayers for Mike Smith who is facing ongoing health
- Prayers for Audrey Talley who has health concerns.
- Prayers for Gale Slappy, a friend of Audrey Talley, who has unspoken prayers. Kim Shoemaker as she recovers from surgery.

Lord in Your Mercy Hear Our Prayers







Let us know if you're interested in Cover-to-Cover Covenant Book Club! This is open to anyone who loves a good story as much as we do. Our book for April is

Kristen Hannah's "The Women".

Please join us on April 3rd at 6:30pm in Room 10. We will continue to meet the first Thursday of each month with a different book.



The Northwood Planning Committee has been discussing the possibility of adding another Monday night each month so the community can visit the clothing closet/food pantry as well as receive a free, hot meal. This would all take place on the third Monday of each month. They will be doing a "trial period" from April-July. Our goal is to get the local community and Sunday school classes involved with this evening.

Jeff Cook, 336-410-1650, will visit the different Sunday School classes to talk about this and see who is willing to help with the meal. Prayerfully consider this as a way to be God's hands and feet this year. Please reach out to Jeff Cook if you have questions.



Northwood Community Center is our mission campus located at 2409 Ambassador Ct. in High Point. At Northwood, we offer a monthly community meal, food pantry, and clothing closet as well as special outreach events for the community. We are always accepting donations of clothing or non-expired food to serve our neighbors! Food can be delivered to the Covenant Gathering area and clothes can be donated in the blue box outside of Northwood. For more info or to get involved, please reach out to Gale Vitamvas (gale.vitamvas@gmail.com).



Covenant Community Garden

Like to garden? Did you know Covenant Church has a community garden in the back of our property and we have some spaces available? You can help get the beds ready for or take a bed for the summer.

Plant whatever you like. You keep a percentage and the rest goes to Ward Street and Northwood's food pantries. If you are interested or want more information contact the church office.

Ward Street Community Resources has regular needs of boxed milk, canned goods, plastic and paper bags, and other items. Remember that hunger is not seasonal. Please deposit donations in the large gray bin under the coat rack in the hallway near the gathering entrance, or in one of the marked bins at the drive-through portico on the left side of the church. For more info please contact Judi Marshall at jmmread@aol.com.









Scan me to register!



Get ready for a fun and quirky fundraiser-FLOCKING is coming soon! Starting April 13th, you'll be able to sign up to "flock" a friend's yard with a flock of playful, flamingos! The flock will stay in their yard for 3 days before a trained technician swoops in to remove them and transfer them to a new location.

Want to protect your yard from these pesky birds? We've got you covered with Flocking Insurance, which will keep your yard safe from future flocks.

Pricing:

Flock a yard: \$25 donation

Flocking Insurance: \$40 donation

Flocking starts the week of May 4th!

For more details, reach out to Mr. Matt at matt@covenantchurchhighpoint.com. Let the flocking begin!

Covenant Kids Ministry



Preschool

336-841-8847

After School & Summer Camp

336-881-4030

NOW ENROLLING

Wednesday Night Bible Study and Communion at 6:30pm

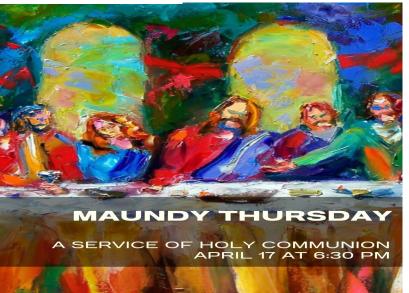
Wednesday Night Lenten Bible Study

Join Pastor Darren for a special study written by Kate Bowler!
Life is this strange, tender mix, isn't it? Joy and sorrow, love and loss, heartbreak and hope, all tangled together. This year, embrace Lent as it is—raw, honest, and tender. Let these 40 days be a time to pause, reflect, and find the courage to stay with the hard part, trusting that the good part is still coming

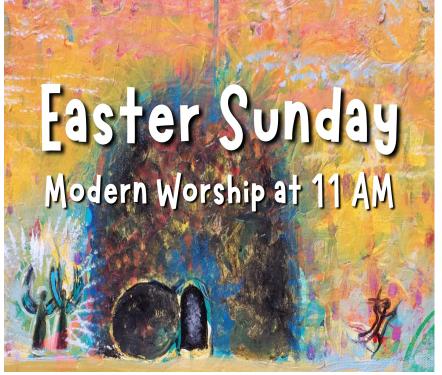
Wednesdays: March 19th, March 26th April 2nd, A<mark>pril 9th, April 16th</mark>



Please scan the QR code, shown beside this, to download the weekly Kate Bowler Lenten small group guide. You can also find it on the church website.











Get Connected with an Adult Small Group Sundays at 10am

FaithLink (Room 2)

Best Suited for Empty Nesters

Soles to Souls (Room 6)

Open to Adults of All Ages Key class (Room 8)

Open to Adults of All Ages

New Connections (Room 10)

Open to Adults of All Ages Shine (Room 11)

Open to Women of All Ages

Family Matters (Room 206)

Best Suited for Parents of Children

Contact Ellen Florian: (704) 999-1772

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to:

- 1. Noah Piraino
- 2. Tess Abbott, Nathan Wilcox, Aidan Holt, Gabe Holt
- 3. Zack Douglas
- 4. Lester Schloen, Karen Brewer, Chris Amador, Andrew Coggins, Stephen Durr
- 5.
- 6. Teagan Johnson
- 7. Bill Nagy
- 8. Deborah Key, Owen Norris
- 9. Tracy Ennis, Meaghan Eller, Stephen Kerr
- 10.
- 11. Roger Stewart
- 12. Kay McIntosh, Stephen Coggins
- 13
- 14. Anne White, Matt Gowdy, Alice Gleeson
- 15. Kellie Sayers
- 16. Christopher Kerr
- 17.
- 18.
- 19. Doug Mitchell
- 20.
- 21. Nancy Lewis, Makenzie Knight, Hazel Turman
- 22. Kathy Poston, Leslie Hawn, Michael Ivey, Isabella Snyder
- 23.
- 24. Judi Marshall, Cory Burns
- 25. Jane Stutler, Ed Barber
- 26. Robin Coggins, Jordan Moseley, Kristen Taylor, Mary Kate Johnson
- 27. Kathy Martin, Lynn Ritter, Owen Merriam
- 28.
- 29. Butch Johnson
- 30.

ATTENTION COVENANT MEMBERS:

If you do not see your name on the monthly Birthday List, please contact the church office (michelle@covenantchurchhighpoint.com or 336-841-3242, x10) with your full name and birth day/month/year and we will add you to the monthly birthday list for the newsletter. Thanks! *Please save this list for reference throughout the month of April*



APRIL 2025

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