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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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EASTER SUNDAY

at Covenant Church

7 AM SUNRISE WORSHIP

8 AM BREAKFAST

9 AM EASTER CANTATA

10 AM EASTER EGG HUNT

11 AM MODERN WORSHIP

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 concerns.
- 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



JOIN THE
CHANCEL CHOIR

WEEKLY REHEARSALS
MARCH 5TH-APRIL 16TH
WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30PM / SUNDAYS AT 8:30 AM

CONTACT CHOIR DIRECTOR STEPHEN DURR FOR MORE INFO!
STEPHEN@COVENANTCHURCHHIGHPOINT.COM



THE CHANCEL CHOIR PRESENTS...

"Look to the Lamb"

BY TOM FETTKE

Easter Cantata

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 20, 2025 AT 9 AM

Covenant Kids Upcoming Events

20 APR

EASTER EGG HUNT

An Easter Egg Hunt for kids of all ages!
When: 10am on Sunday, April 20th-Easter Sunday!
Where: Starts at Picnic Shelter (Rain or Shine)

21 MAY

KIDS CLUB SPRING PERFORMANCE

Join us at 6pm in the Sanctuary for an evening of songs and story led by our Kids Club. It will be followed by a pay what you can dinner.

16-18 JUNE

GO SERVE: MISSION CAMP

Start off the summer with a local mission experience for rising 3rd-6th graders! Each day we will have field trips to local service organizations as we seek to be a part of God's work in the world. Scan the QR code to register. All Welcome!



3-6 AUG

TRUE NORTH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Who: Ages 3 years-Rising 6th
When: Sunday, August 3rd-Wednesday, August 6th
Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm
Guide kids on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As kids trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing them toward Jesus, True North VBS shows them that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!



REGISTER TODAY!

For more information please reach out to
Laura Danford, Director of Family Ministries at
laura@covenantchurchhighpoint.com or
text/call 843-359-3886

SAVE THE DATE!

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.



**FIRST MONDAYS
FROM 5 - 7 PM**

**COMMUNITY MEAL
FOOD PANTRY
CLOTHING CLOSET**

Northwood Community Center

ALL ARE WELCOME.
NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

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.

OUR MISSIONS

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.

SPECIAL SERVICE TIME:

SUNDAY, MAY 4 AT 11 AM

(ONE SERVICE ONLY THIS DAY)

Join us for a special service of togetherness followed by a SOUP lunch! If you are able and interested, please bring a crockpot of soup to share. We will have one blended and interactive worship service at 11 AM. This will be a time to get to know each other deeper and on a more personal level. Small Groups will meet as usual at 10 AM.

IT'S A "SOUPER" SUNDAY!

•PASTOR DARREN GETS SLIMED!!!!!!

HOSTED BY:
COVENANT
STUDENT
MINISTRIES

family
**FUN
DAY**

AT COVENANT CHURCH

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

FEATURING:
GAMES AND INFLATABLES
SILENT AUCTION
FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS
BASKET RAFFLE



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



Come Grow With Us

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, April 9th, April 16th**



Please scan the QR code,
shown beside this , to down-
load the weekly Kate Bow-
ler Lenten small group
guide. You can also find it
on the church website.



**APRIL 20, 2025 AT 10 AM
MEET AT THE OUTDOOR CROSS**

The Golden Egg Hunt FOR 6TH-12TH GRADE

**AN INTENSE HUNT FOR
10 EPIC GOLDEN EGGS**

Easter Sunday Modern Worship at 11 AM





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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Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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