



March 14, 2024

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We've had a great start to student ministries here at Covenant! Our kiddos are starting to show up for Youth Group, and events. We're looking forward to a great night on Saint Patrick's Day at Crazy Pinz for some bowling, mini golf, and pizza. We'd love for our church to continue to connect with our student ministries, and there are several ways you can help.



Check out the link at [tinyurl.com/StudentMinistriesVolunteer](https://tinyurl.com/StudentMinistriesVolunteer), and get signed up for our many opportunities! You can also get signed up to help with snacks and meals at [tinyurl.com/SnacksAndMeals](https://tinyurl.com/SnacksAndMeals). To stay up to date with upcoming events and ways to serve, be sure to check out our youth page on the church website: [covenantumc.net/programs/youth-ministry](https://covenantumc.net/programs/youth-ministry).

Finally, a few things on the horizon. Youth Group continues to meet on Sunday evenings (Middle School: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., High School: 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.). Check out the cereal bracket in the Fellowship Hall to see which cereal will reign supreme during our Battle of the Cereals on Sunday, April 7. And finally, we'll have an Escape Room Night with a pasta bar on Sunday, April 28. So much to look forward to!

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions you might have, or ways you can connect: [pastorallison@covenantumc.net](mailto:pastorallison@covenantumc.net).

- Pastor Allison Yankey

# THE THIRD DAY

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24

8:45 & 10:15 AM

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28

7 PM

Good Friday

Friday, March 29

7 PM

Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31

8:45 & 10:15 AM

### COVENANT UMC APPAREL

Looking for some new Covenant UMC apparel? The wait is almost over! On Sunday, March 17, an online storefront will be available to the church for two weeks to order a wide variety of Covenant UMC apparel. From sweatshirts to polos to t-shirts and hats, there's something for everyone. So, on March 17, head over to <https://covenantumc2023.itemorder.com/>, and place your order! Once items are in, we'll have them available for pick up at the church. Questions? Contact Pastor Allison at [pastorallison@covenantumc.net](mailto:pastorallison@covenantumc.net).



### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

It's the Easter season! If you'd like to donate Easter flowers in remembrance of or to honor someone, please fill out the proper information on the back of the Sunday, March 17's Connection Card. Easter flowers are \$10 each. Please write out a check payable to Covenant for "Easter Flowers." The deadline for payment is Sunday, April 7.



## solo reading plan

Excerpt	March	Expanded Passage
Psalm 28:1-2, 6-9	18	Psalm 28 & 30
Psalm 34:1-9	19	Psalm 34
Psalm 46:3-11	20	Psalm 46
Psalm 51:1-12	21	Psalm 51
Psalm 53:1-6	22	Psalm 53
Psalm 62:1-2	23	Psalm 62

For a list of accompanying questions,  
pick up a reading plan at the Welcome Center.

### MARCH FOOD COLLECTION

Be a part of the game and donate anything  
MACARONI today!

Leave donations at the Mission Collection Center for  
the food bank at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. No  
glass containers, please!



### LENTEN OFFERING

Lent is a time of  
repentance, fasting,  
and preparation for the  
coming of Easter.

During Lent, the  
Mission & Outreach  
Team encourages you  
to give something up,  
to sacrifice, and to give

the money you would have spent to  
the Lenten offering as you focus on the ultimate  
sacrifice Christ made for you. The money you give to  
the Lenten Offering will be used to purchase supplies  
for Covenant's Project 216 Food Packing Event on  
Saturday, November 2. The number of meals we can  
package will be determined by the amount of money  
we raise with the Lenten Offering.

It only takes \$.30 to pay for the ingredients of one  
meal. Just think .... \$30 = 90 meals, or \$60 = 180  
meals, or \$120 = 360 meals! Our goal is to raise \$8,000  
to purchase the supplies for over 26,000 meals!

Questions? Contact Janet Hall

at [janet.hall60@gmail.com](mailto:janet.hall60@gmail.com), or Barb Hering

at [barbhering@gmail.com](mailto:barbhering@gmail.com).



### Prayer List Week of March 11, 2024

- Please pray for Alicia Ripplinger, who's healing from a shoulder injury. Prayers for Mike, Crystal, and Jade, to help with work and addictions they may be going through. Evelyn needs prayers to overcome her anxiety.
- Praise for Mason and Claire Miller, who found a house.
- Prayers for Dave Hendrickson, that his cancer treatments are working, and will continue to do so. Give him peace and hope.
- Prayers for Ray and Ginni Hoverman, on encouraging news about possible surgeries and pain relief.
- Please pray for the many hungry and homeless the Rescue Mission serves. May we have softened hearts for the poor and find ways to help financially with prayer, and through volunteering.

### ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DISCOVERY CLASS CREATION OF ISRAEL



Join a discussion on the History of  
Israel Sundays, March 17 and 24 at 10  
a.m. in rooms 105 and 107. Questions,  
Questions, Questions??? Why is Israel  
continually threatened? What is the  
history of Israel that leads to

continuous warfare? How and why was the current State of  
Israel established? Why are they at war again (Israel vs.  
Hamas)? Can peace be achieved in the Holy Land? Can we  
understand the situation and answer these questions? Let's  
try with a review of the History of Israel from Abraham to  
the present. Presented by the Discovery and Agape classes.

### MARCH EUCHRE NIGHT

Mark your calendars! Euchre Night  
is coming to Covenant UMC on  
Friday, March 22. We'll gather at 6  
p.m. and game play will start at  
6:30 p.m.

This is progressive euchre, so  
partners will rotate throughout the  
evening. Bring lots of friends and a  
snack to share. Sliders will be provided.

Also, a supervised game night for kiddos of all ages will be  
available. We hope to see you there! Questions? Contact  
Pastor Allison at [pastorallison@covenantumc.net](mailto:pastorallison@covenantumc.net).





#### March 14

Samuel Westhoff

#### March 16

Ian Kester-Haney

Amy Harris

#### March 17

Mallory Leimkuhler

#### March 18

Logan Cronk

Claire Abbs

Briauna Entenman

#### March 19

Betty Douglas

Patricia Tolliver

#### March 21

Rex Wharry

Lauren Becker

Noah Mains

Linda Becker

#### March 22

Ella VanWagner

#### March 23

Ryan Wharry

#### March 24

Piper Flynn

#### March 25

Noah Niang

Carol Chrip

Molly Frappier

#### March 26

Jessica Stahly

Lisa Height

Diane Jennings

#### March 27

Wendell Schweyer

#### March 28

Kenneth Vanderpool

Kyle Fenstermacher

#### March 29

Liz McClure

Suzon Baker

### Mission and Outreach News

[Click here](#) for the March Mission Newsletter. Read about Macaroni Madness, the Lenten Offering, Alive Community Outreach, opportunities to serve, what's happening with our Missionaries, and more.

### THE ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE IS AVAILABLE

To honor, remember someone, or celebrate a special day, purchase a flower arrangement for Sunday services. Sign up in the Altar Flower Book at the Guest Services Desk, or contact the Church Office at [office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net), or call (260) 489-1888. Currently Sundays, March 17, 24, and 31 are available for next month.

### THE ADVENTURERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Adventurers is a fellowship group that has existed almost from the beginning of Covenant UMC. Activities have included pot luck luncheons and programs that are fun, entertaining, and informative. From flower arranging to COVID awareness, these programs have taught us many things. We currently are meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. in room 110, or for an Adventure tour. We welcome everyone to join us in our monthly Adventures.



### CEREAL MADNESS BRACKET



Throughout the month of April, the Youth Group is working on a Cereal Madness Bracket by voting on which cereal will reign supreme. You can get in on this action, too! Grab a bracket from the Welcome Center, fill it out with your best guesses, turn it in to Pastor Allison by Friday, March 15, and follow along with the youth bracket in the Fellowship Hall. Brackets that guess the most cereals correctly will win a prize! Questions? Contact Pastor Allison at

[pastorallison@covenantumc.net](mailto:pastorallison@covenantumc.net).

### HELP STUDENT YOUTH MINISTRIES

Want to connect with Covenant Student Ministries? We'd love your help! From providing food, to showing up to events, to driving, to helping refurbish the Cove, to so much more, there are options for everyone. Take a moment to fill out this form ([tinyurl.com/StudentMinistriesVolunteer](https://tinyurl.com/StudentMinistriesVolunteer)), and we'll get you connected soon! Thank you in advance, and if you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Allison Yankey at [pastorallison@covenantumc.net](mailto:pastorallison@covenantumc.net).



### CHURCH OFFICE

Open: Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Email: [office@covenantumc.net](mailto:office@covenantumc.net)

Phone: (260) 489-1888

### PASTOR CONTACTS

Lead Pastor Chris Nunley: (219) 771-2875,

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Pastor of Connections Allison Yankey,

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### Covenant Leadership Board Information

If you are ever interested in serving on the board, you can speak with any current board members or Pastor Chris. You can contact the board at any time via email at [leadershipboard@covenantumc.net](mailto:leadershipboard@covenantumc.net). For a list of current Leadership Board Members, see [covenantumc.net/pages/leadership-board](https://covenantumc.net/pages/leadership-board).

## WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MARCH 17 - MARCH 24, 2024

**Sunday March 17**

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY**

**8:45 am Traditional Service**

**10:15 am Connection Service**

10:30 am Donuts with Pastor Allison / 208

2:00 pm Grace Assembly of God / Sanctuary / 110

4:30 pm Youth Crazy Pinz Outing / Off Site

8:00 pm Children's Ministry Team Meeting / ZOOM

**Monday March 18**

10:00 am Staff Meeting / 105 & 107

**Tuesday March 19**

9:00 am Men's Ministry Breakfast / Sun Rise Café

5:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry / Lobby

6:30 pm Third Day Small Group / 105 & 107

**Wednesday March 20**

12:00 pm Preschool Lunch Bunch / FH

12:15 pm Preschool Board Meeting / 110

5:00 pm YMCA Cooking Class / FH / Kitchen

5:30 pm Covenant Chimers / Sanctuary

6:15 pm Covenant Ringers / Sanctuary

6:30 pm Women's Book Club / 110

7:15 pm Chancel Choir / Sanctuary

**Thursday March 21**

10:00 am Pastors' Study / 105 & 107

2:00 pm United Women in Faith Meeting / 110

6:00 pm Connection Band / Sanctuary

6:30 pm Cub Scouts Meeting / FH / the Cove / 110

**Friday March 22**

6:00 pm Euchre Night / FH / 110

**Saturday March 23**

9:00 am Easter Story Walk / Whole Church

**Sunday March 24**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**8:45 am Traditional Service**

**10:15 am Connection Service**

2:00 pm Grace Assembly of God / Sanctuary / 110

3:00 pm The Gap Event / the Cove

5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group / FH / the Cove

6:30 pm High School Youth Group / FH / the Cove

### Adult Classes:

9:00 a.m.

Faith Café / 110

Faith Builders / 208

10:00 a.m.

Agape Class / 105-107

Discovery Class / 203

Faith Discovery Class / 110

### Children's Classes:

9:00 a.m.

Connected Kids / 307-308

10:30 a.m.

Connected Kids Live / 307-308

- The Preschool is in the Education Wing, Monday - Friday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- The AA group meets Monday - Friday at 9 a.m. in Room 110, Fridays at 6 p.m. in the Cove



**Easter Story Walk**

*Twice the Morning of Easter*

**Saturday March 23**  
9am-11am  
(drop-in anytime)

Don't forget a basket for eggs!

Walk through the Easter story  
Easter Treats ~ Snack ~ Craft

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**CHURCH •CAMP•**

**K-2: CAMP LAKEWOOD**  
JULY 28-31

**3-6: CAMP LAKEWOOD**  
JUNE 9-14

**6-12: EPWORTH FOREST**  
JULY 14-19

**SIGN UP NOW**

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