I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

Psalm 139: 14
Pastoral Search Update #4

This is our 4th report to the friends and members of Covenant Presbyterian Church on the activities of the Pastoral Search Team.

First of all, the entire PST wishes to thank each and every one of the church members for their continued prayers and support. We want to especially thank the 40 some members of the PST Prayer Team that meet at the same time as we do to pray in support of us.

Recently, the PST Prayer Team divided our ten member team up and we were individually assigned to one or more members of the prayer team for specific prayers for us plus overall prayers for the whole PST. We certainly appreciate that and know that God is hearing these prayers.

To date, we have received 29 applications from across the nation from prospective pastors. The PST analyzed and discussed each applicant and placed them into four categories:

1. **Not a Fit for CPC:** 18 were considered "not a fit" for Covenant Presbyterian Church due to a lack of experience and other factors.
2. **Looking At/Holding:** 9 were placed into a "looking at and holding" category as we await some more information from them.
3. **Applications Not Processed:** 2 recently arrived applications have not been processed yet and will be reviewed at our meeting on Sunday April 13.
4. **Question/Answer/Interview:** We have sent further questions on to some of the applicants and we are preparing to interview some via a conference call.

We will continue to keep the congregation updated on our efforts. We continue our prayers to our Father in Heaven for success and we pray that all of you keep us in your prayers as well.

Elder Larry Kurtz, Courier Liaison

Transitions...we all go through them. As we are going through transition in search of our new senior pastor, we want to try to keep you as informed as possible with regard to who will be preaching for us on Sundays.

There are some really great preachers scheduled in the following months and we look forward to hearing them sharing the Word with us!

**May / June Schedule:**

- **5/4** Shaun Murray
  Westminster Seminary
- **5/11** Nathan White
  Westminster Seminary
- **5/18** Jeremiah Rivera
  Westminster Seminary
- **5/25** Brandon Addison
  Westminster Seminary
- **6/1** Rev. Kent Moorlach
  Richland Presbyterian Church, TN
- **6/8** Cantata
  *(ONE 10am service)*
- **6/15** Rev. Dennis Tarr *(ONE 10am service)*
  Baccalaureate Sunday
- **6/22** Rev. Dennis Tarr
- **6/29** Rev. Dennis Tarr
- **7/6** Pastor Dave Fenska, CPC Interim

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We would be hard-pressed to deny that we live in a time of uncertainty, or even deny that evil prevails in so many areas of 21st century life, even within the very halls of government itself. Is it a sign of foolishness to continue electing men and women who tantalize us with treats, but who lust after power in their hearts, while ignoring the well being of the people?

Even certain mainline churches have succumbed to the darkness of sin, condoning abortion and same sex marriage in spite of the prohibitions in the Bible, yet they make exceptions and excuses under the pretext of love. Their actions have extinguished the light of God’s Word in their pulpits. What has happened to our beloved America? Why did we as a people neglect our vigilance and ignore our responsibilities? Should we not cry out to the Lord, to comfort us in the knowledge that He is a sovereign God and that His plan will prevail? Even as the very earth itself quakes beneath our feet, shouldn’t we remain steadfast in knowing that He is there?

The government itself has conspired to distance us from His commands concerning the sanctity of life of the unborn, while rejecting the biblical precepts of marriage as a divinely instituted unity of one man and one woman. Yes, there is uncertainty in all areas of life, but our Lord will comfort and strengthen us to prevail in these uncertain times. We were once a nation that proclaimed itself as “One Nation under God.” Let’s turn our prayers to Him for a revival. We know our prayers will not change every heart, but nevertheless, should we not cry out to Him in obedience to His Word calling on enough hearts to change, to return us as a people to His righteousness?

Let our church reach out to those that visit our campus, and to the community around us. Let our worship service stir every heart. We may have lost our shepherd, Pastor Stan, whom God has foreordained to serve elsewhere. But our prayers continue to ask Him to protect Pastor Stan in his new ministry and watch over his family. We know change is inevitable for our church during this time of transition, but change doesn't have to divide a congregation. Let it instead draw us closer and unite us as His Covenant people. Let’s offer up prayers for our Pastoral Search Team, that God will give them wisdom and discernment as they review applicants. We are confident that the Lord will bring a shepherd of His choice to lead us. Let us truly abide in Jesus Christ in every aspect of our lives. Let us collectively ask these things in Jesus’ name.

On April 27, our church officers and congregation were formally installed into fellowship with the entire body of believers of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC). The EPC is partitioned into Presbyteries. Our affiliation is with the Presbytery of the Pacific. On January 19, membership in the EPC was approved by 84% of our congregation. On February 7, we were officially accepted into the EPC by a unanimous vote at the Presbytery of the Pacific meeting in Roseville, CA.

On March 22, all of Covenant’s officers—those currently serving on Session, the Deacon and Deaconess boards, received familiarization training regarding the EPC Book of Order (governing documents). An examination of all of Covenant’s officers by EPC elders was held on Saturday, April 26.

The EPC examination committee was led by Pastor Dave Fenska. He officiated at our combined worship and installation service on Sunday, April 27. A single worship service allowed a joint public confession of faith by our officers and congregation, to express unity and fellowship with all EPC churches. Why is an examination of officers necessary and important?

Many other Presbyterian churches leaving the mainline Presbyterian denomination have applied for membership in the EPC. Examination of all incoming pastors, elders and officers is essential for the preservation and protection of our core biblical beliefs and historic Presbyterian and Reformed Standards. These are the same standards that our church adopted at the start of Covenant Presbyterian Church, reflected in our By Laws and faithfully professed and adhered to since our founding in 1973.

Looking ahead, Pastor Dave Fenska is scheduled to begin at Covenant as our Interim Senior Pastor on July 6, and will preach his first sermon in that role at that time.

Soli Deo Gloria & Session Corner
By Elder John Beauman

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Dear CCS Parents,

In Chapel last Friday we celebrated the many achievements of our students.

Certificates of Participation were presented to 23 CCS students in grades 3rd through 8th who participated in the ACSI Math Olympics.

Perfect Attendance Awards were presented to K-8 students who did not miss a single day during the 2nd Trimester! Eleven students attended school every day for 62 days, arriving on time each day.

Awards for Honors (3.0-3.79 GPA) and High Honors (3.80-4.0 GPA) were given to eighteen students in 4th through 8th grades for their academic achievements during the 2nd Trimester.

Teachers also presented Cougar Character Awards for students who modeled the March Christian Character Trait ‘RESPONSIBILITY’, and Student of the Trimester awards to students who stood out for their efforts in the 2nd Trimester.

New this year, starting in the 2nd Trimester, is the A.R. Star Award for students who reached their Accelerated Reader goals. We believe that a love of reading is key to a student’s academic success. Thirteen A.R. Star Awards were presented to students in Grades 2nd through 5th. Keep reading!

We’re also very proud of all of our Middle School students who presented their science projects at the ACSI Science Fair held at Biola University on Friday, March 28th.

In His service,

Jeff Williamson
CCS Principal

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**Registration Form 2014**
(June 16 through August 15)

Join us for a summer full of fun and spirit-filled adventure!

- One time registration fee: $25.00
- Weekly Plan: $140.00 per week per child
- Sibling Discount: (only applies to weekly plans)
  - Two Children: $130.00 per week per child
  - Three or More: $110.00 per week per child

- Daily Plan: $35.00 per day per child
  - Includes T-Shirt
  - Extra T-Shirts $10.00 each:
    - Week 1: 6/16 - 6/20
      - Bounce U _ Rock City _
      - Chuck E. Cheese
    - Week 2: 6/23 - 6/27
      - Skyzone _ Bowling _
      - VBS Waterslide
    - Week 3: 6/30 - 7/4
      - Game Truck (on campus)
      - Artovar (on campus)
    - Week 4: 7/7 - 7/11
      - Scooters _ Castle Park
      - Discovery Science Center
    - Week 5: 7/14 - 7/18
      - Lazer Quest _ Movie Theater
      - CDM Beach
    - Week 6: 7/21 - 7/25
      - Home Depot _ Nickel Nickel Arcade
      - Splash Water Park

**MONDAY, MAY 19**

11am - 9pm

A portion of the proceeds will go to CCS. What a great concept...Eat and help at the same time! Off Katella!

**PICK UP A VOUCHER IN THE CCS OFFICE!**
VBS 2014
WEIRD ANIMALS
Where Jesus’ Love Is One-of-a-Kind

JUNE 23-27
9AM - NOON

REGISTER NOW at www.covp.org or between worship!
$15 per participant (includes snacks, t-shirt)
VOLUNTEER: ONLINE OR CONTACT LISA YGUAL: 714.637.8833 OR LISA@COVP.ORG
samaritan sunday

A little CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE!

The first Sunday of each month. Bring a little change to worship and make a big difference for the needy.

Info: Lisa  lisa@covp.org

SUNDAYS DURING WORSHIP

sing | story | share | spirit

martha  mmartin@covp.org

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5.4 **JUDGES SERIES**  
7pm, the Archie’s  
It’s been a crazy ride! God’s chosen people started out committed to conquering the land given to them, but instead become conquered by sin. With only two more studies left what more can God show us about His faithfulness in the face of our disobedience?

5.11 **theGATHERING**  
CANCELLED  
Hey, it’s Mother’s Day, so theGathering is cancelled for today. Instead go and treat your mom to something nice. Or get her a card. Or make a card! Whatever it is, make sure it is something that honors her.

5.13 **DINNER & A MOVIE**  
TBD  
Good food, good movie, great people. All for pretty cheap.

5.18 **JUDGES SERIES**  
7pm, the Archie’s  
Well, this is it. The last of the Judges series. And it goes out with a bang! Come on by and learn what this narrative, written so long ago, has to do with us here in Orange County in 2014.

5.25 **GAME NIGHT**  
7pm, the Archie’s  
We just finished the book of Judges last week! So let’s relax a little with some great games and fellowship. Come on by, bring some friends and relax with the craziness of Jacob "the Game Master" Rice.

**SATURDAYS IN MAY**  
10am-12pm  
**GARAGE SALE DROP-OFF**  
**FUNDRAISER PRICING/ORGANIZING**  
Come on by the SOMA building for as little or as long as you can to help organize the mass amount of donations and earn money towards your trips with theGathering!

*Garage Sale will be on Saturday, June 14.*

6.15 **BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY**  
ONE 10am worship service  
High school & College Grads...submit your grad info /pics/ and bio to Tricia Davies at courier@covp.org by June 2 so she can put it in the June Courier.
Ken was born in Inglewood, CA, to Covenant members Wayne and Virginia Slaven. They moved to Anaheim in 1964 and joined the First Presbyterian Church of Anaheim, where they attended until they left the denomination in 1973 and joined others to form Covenant Presbyterian Church.

Ken graduated from Katella High School and attended Cal State University, Fullerton, where he received a Bachelor’s Degree in History in 1979.

He volunteered to help with the youth programs at a new church plant in Solana Beach. The church met in a movie theater in a shopping center. Unfortunately, the church was not successful.

Ken attended Cal State University, San Diego to obtain the necessary credits to have a second major, which he needed to teach at the secondary level. During that time, Ken was a substitute teacher nearly full-time while he attended classes.

He married his wife, Sharri in 1982. They began their married life in Escondido, CA, and shortly thereafter, moved to Valley Center, CA, where they are still living today. They have three children, Matt, Sarah and Mary, and are active members of the Valley Center Community Church.

Ken started his fire service career as a volunteer and was subsequently hired by the Escondido Fire Department as a fire fighter. He took additional classes and was promoted to Firefighter/Paramedic. He was then promoted to Fire Engineer, Fire Captain and Battalion Chief, which he recently retired from in April of this year.
TNT FELLOWSHIP (travel & tour)
The Colorful Songs of Broadway
THURSDAY, MAY 22, 10:45am  Show & Luncheon
$79 per person, $25 due on sign-up, balance due 5/4
Please make checks payable to TNT Fellowship of CPC
Includes transportation, admission, lunch and tips. Bus loads on Orange-Olive in front of Church.

Carole Linn presents A Broadway Tour of America at the Almansor Court in Alhambra.

Scenic Southwest States Tour
Departure Date: October 2  8-day tour
$1,399 per person, double occupancy
Single supplement is $400. Please make checks payable to TNT Fellowship of CPC.

Join us on this wonderful tour of the scenic southwest states. Tour includes visits to the Petrified Forest National Park, Colorado National Monument, Valley of Fire State Park as well as a ride on the world famous Silverton Railroad and the Albuquerque International Balloon Festival. This fully escorted tour departs on October 2 and is only $1399.00 per person, double occupancy. Single Supplement is $400.00. Stop by the TNT table for a flyer and more information.

info:  JoAnn 714.633.433. or at ljShill@juno.com

YOUNG FAMILY MINISTRY (married w/kids)
from pregnancy - high school / married couples
1st & 3rd Sundays, 12:30pm, church office
NEXT MEETINGS: MAY 4 & 18
"Effective Parenting in a Defective World"
Raul  raulalarcon@sbcglobal.net

MOMS N TOTS (moms with young kids)
from pregnancy - jr. high
2nd & 4th Fridays, 9:15am, Senior Center
Life can get messy, especially for moms on the go with young children. This group will help clean things up! Childcare provided. For info: Marilyn  hewmom36@yahoo.com

GOOD KNIGHTS (men’s study/fellowship)
men from all ages & stages  Free!
EVENT: Bocce & Brats Fellowship
MON., JUNE 9, 6pm, CPC Picnic Area
Real Men’s food for the gut and food for the soul: “Enjoy King David’s famous brats and the fellowship of the Good Knights!” Bring your appetite, your friendship, and your friends, the Good Knights will provide the rest.

If you are looking for a small group of Christian men whom you will feel great calling “Brother”, then the Good Knights may be your best find of 2014.

If you are new to our Church, this is a great way to meet the men of Covenant.

To reserve your dinner, email Peter Kupratis at: pkupratis@gmail.com

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### May 2014 Calendar

**Thursday, May 1**
- 10:45am: Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
- 8am: Prayer Group (Senior Center)
- 9:45am: Bible Study (women) (Sanctuary)
- 10pm: CBS (Sanctuary)

**Friday, May 2**
- 10:45am: Contemporary Service (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 8am: Prayer Group (Senior Center)
- 9:45am: Bible Study (women) (Senior Center)
- 10pm: CBS (Sanctuary)

**Saturday, May 3**
- 9:15am: Women’s Fell. Board Mtg. (Senior Center)
- 10am: Health Support (Sanctuary Bride’s Rm.)
- 7pm: Grief Share (Support) (Church Office)

**Sunday, May 4**
- 9am: Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:30am: Cutting Edge (Adult SS) (Heritage Lounge)
- 10:15am: Bible Study (Adult SS) (Chapel)
- 12:30pm: Young Family Ministry (Church Office)
- 9:15am: Women’s Fell. Board Mtg. (Senior Center)
- 10am: Health Support (Sanctuary Bride’s Rm.)
- 7pm: Grief Share (Support) (Church Office)

**Monday, May 5**
- 9:15am: Women’s Fell. Board Mtg. (Senior Center)
- 10am: Health Support (Sanctuary Bride’s Rm.)
- 7pm: Grief Share (Support) (Church Office)

**Tuesday, May 6**
- 6:30am: Men’s Breakfast (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 8am: Prayer Group (Senior Center)
- 9:45am: Bible Study (women) (Senior Center)
- 7pm: SOMA High School (SOMA Bldg.)

**Wednesday, May 7**
- 9am: Covenant Quilters (service) (Senior Center)
- 9am: CBS (Sanctuary)
- 4:45pm: Love Thy Neighbor Prayer Group (Chapel)
- 6:30pm: SOMA Jr. High School (SOMA Bldg.)
- 7pm: Prayer Mtg. w/Elders (Chapel)

**Thursday, May 8**
- 11:30am: HIS MEN fellowship (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 5:45pm: Handbells (Sanctuary)
- 7pm: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 7pm: Worship Team (Youth Bldg.)

**Friday, May 9**
- 9:15am: Moms n Tots (Senior Center)
- 7:30pm: Faithbuilders (Heritage Lounge)

**Saturday, May 10**
- 8am: Men’s Breakfast (St. Andrew’s Annex)
- 9am: God’s House Care (Meet at Kiosk)
- 9am: Godly Men Discipleship (Chapel)
- 5pm: Chuck Wagon Pioneers (Senior Center)
- 5pm: Range Riders Pioneers (Heritage Lounge)

**Sunday, May 11**
- 9am: Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:45am: Contemporary Service (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 10:30am: Cutting Edge (Adult SS) (Heritage Lounge)
- 10:15am: Titus 2 Women SS (Church Office)

**Monday, May 12**
- 10am: Health Support (Sanctuary Bride’s Rm.)
- 7pm: Good Knights Men Study (Heritage Lounge)
- 7pm: Grief Share (Support) (Church Office)

**Tuesday, May 13**
- 6:30am: Men’s Breakfast (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 8am: Prayer Group (Senior Center)
- 9:45am: Bible Study (women) (Senior Center)
- 6:50pm: CBS (Sanctuary)
- 7pm: SOMA High School (Youth Bldg.)

**Wednesday, May 14**
- 9am: Covenant Quilters (service) (Senior Center)
- 9am: CBS (Sanctuary)
- 4:45pm: Love Thy Neighbor Prayer Group (Chapel)
- 6:30pm: SOMA Jr. High School (SOMA Bldg.)
- 7pm: Prayer Mtg. w/Elders (Chapel)

**Thursday, May 15**
- 11:30am: HIS MEN fellowship (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 5:45pm: Handbells (Sanctuary)
- 7pm: Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 7pm: Worship Team (Youth Bldg.)

**Friday, May 16**
- 7pm: Priority One (Senior Study) (Church Office)

**Saturday, May 17**
- 9am: Godly Men Discipleship (Chapel)
- 5pm: Wranglers (Pioneers) (Senior Center)

**Sunday, May 18**
- 9am: Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:45am: Contemporary Service (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 10:30am: Cutting Edge (Adult SS) (Heritage Lounge)
- 10:15am: Bible Study (Adult SS) (Chapel)
- 10:15am: Titus 2 Women SS (Church Office)

**Monday, May 19**
- 10am: Health Support (Sanctuary Bride’s Rm.)
- 7pm: Grief Share (Support) (Church Office)

**Tuesday, May 20**
- 6:30am: Men’s Breakfast (St. Andrew’s Hall)
- 8am: Prayer Group (Senior Center)
- 9:45am: Bible Study (women) (Senior Center)
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Kandawo New Testament Typesetting Update

Last month we invited you to pray for the Kandawo translation team as they endeavored to typeset the entire Kandawo New Testament. Join us in praising God as you read this update from our colleagues, Mack and Doris Graham.

"These men are happy because they are going home after four weeks of hard work! We can hardly explain the schedule we've been keeping and the focus we've been applying to the task of typesetting. But God has been our constant friend, and He greets us every morning with new energy and wisdom for the day. Praise God! And thank you so much for praying for all of us this past month."

Many decisions regarding the Kandawo New Testament were made including size, cover, illustrations, glossary, topical index and layout. And, of course, a final proofreading was done. Last month I mistakenly reported that the Kandawo translators were spending several weeks at Ukarumpa WITH their wives and children present. That was incorrect. Now you can better understand why they have such happy faces as they wait for their flight back to the Jimi Valley and their awaiting families. The Grahams will continue to work on the final touches of the typesetting in the weeks to come. Another praise is that the team was able to edit additional New Testament recordings for the Audibibles and Mack recorded a gentle "sermon" which calls people to come to Jesus. The three men were so pleased to be taking with them a new stock of Audibibles because people are asking for them! Please continue to pray for the Kandawo people.

On another note, this month marks the 5th anniversary of our motor vehicle "incident". We praise God for the gift of life, recovery and restoration. We praise Him for the abilities He has given so that we can do the jobs we love here in Papua New Guinea. Many of you prayed us through those dark days and we continue to thank you. Of even more significance, we praise God for what He did for us all on the cross so many years ago offering us new life, hope and purpose. We hope you have a very meaningful Easter celebration.

With grateful hearts,

Steve & Tracy Geis & family

REMINDER:

As you leave church every Sunday, you will see a small sign that says, "YOU ARE NOW ENTERING THE MISSION FIELD."

Take every opportunity to spread the Word, in any venue.

For more on our missions, visit www.covp.org Mission Page.
CPC Project Homeless Knitting Ministry Makes the Local News...AGAIN!
Our Covenant Knitting Ministry has yet again made the local news with their amazing gift of knitting and crocheting mats, caps and scarves for the homeless. Each mat requires about 1,000 plastic grocery bags! Each mat must be cleaned, flattened and cut into strips. Nearly 200 mats have been completed and delivered. A true gift!

TO VOLUNTEER/PROVIDE SUPPLIES: Lorraine Glenn lorraineglenn@steelrep.com

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To a visitor to our church, “Welcome” is not only a word, it is also a feeling. Saying “Welcome” to a newcomer may be the factor that makes them want to come again.

“W” is for “We.” That is a plural word indicating the unity of all who attend.

“E” is for “Evangelism.” Every visitor receives a personal letter from the Deaconesses inviting them to attend a complimentary Life Streams dinner as well as showing them how glad we are that they chose to attend.

“L” is for “Looking.” Our Pastoral Search Committee is very busy making sure that we select the perfect pastor to make visitors and members feel like they are at home.

“C” is for “Christian,” “Church,” “Covenant,” and “Community.” These words all let people know what makes us work together as a church.

“O” is for “Outreach.” Quietly, but effectively, we are making a difference in our community. Often a report is available at the Kiosk.

“M” is for “Meeting.” It is both a verb and a noun. Either way it is used, it reflects goals that are being accomplished and people that are gathering to effectively make decisions about our church and future.

“E” is for “Education.” Just check out CCS, our wonderful school, as well as our Bible Studies and Small Groups.

Put them together and our visitors will understand that we mean what we say when we say “Welcome!” to them.

Submitted by Anita Price

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By the time the Lord made women, he was into his sixth day of working overtime. An Angel appeared and said, “Why are you spending so much time on this one?” The Lord answered and said, “Have you seen the spec sheet on her?”

“She has to be completely washable, but not plastic, have 200 movable parts, all replaceable, run on black coffee and leftovers, have a lap that can hold three children at one time, have a kiss that can cure anything from a scraped knee to a broken heart, and have six pairs of hands.”

The Angel was astounded at the requirements for this one. Six pairs of hands! No Way!” The Angel tried to stop the Lord. “This is too much work for one day. Wait until tomorrow to finish.”

But I can’t!” the Lord protested, “I am so close to finishing this creation that is so close to my own heart. She already heals herself when she is sick AND can work 18 hour days!”

The Angel moved closer and touched the woman, “But you have made her so soft, Lord.” “She is soft.” the Lord agreed, “but I have also made her tough. You have no idea what she can endure or accomplish.”

“Will she be able to think?” asked the Angel. The Lord replied, “Not only will she be able to think, she will be able to reason, and negotiate.”

The Angel then noticed something and reached out and touched the woman’s cheek. “Oops, it looks like you have a leak with this model. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this one.” That’s not a leak.” the Lord objected, “that’s a tear!”

“What’s the tear for?” the Angel asked. The Lord said, “The tear is her way of expressing her joy, her sorrow, her pain, her disappointment, her loneliness, her grief, and her pride.”

The Angel was impressed. “You are a genius, Lord. You thought of everything, for women are truly amazing. Women have strengths that amaze men. They carry hardships, they carry burdens but they hold happiness, love and joy.”

They smile when they want to scream. They sing when they want to cry. They cry when they are happy and laugh when they are nervous. They fight for what they believe in. They stand up for injustice. They don’t take “no” for an answer when they believe there is a better solution. They go without so their family can have. They go to the doctor with a frightened friend. They love unconditionally. They cry when their children excel and cheer when their friends get awards. They are happy when they hear about a birth or a new marriage. Their hearts break when a friend dies. They have sorrow at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength left. They know that a hug and a kiss can heal a broken heart.

Women come in all sizes, in all colors and shapes. They’ll drive, fly, walk, run or e-mail you to show how much they care about you. The heart of a woman is what makes the world spin! They bring joy and hope. They give compassion and ideals. They give moral support to their family and friends. Women have a lot to say and a lot to give. There is however, one flaw in a woman... they don’t realize how valuable they really are and tend to forget their worth. They need love and appreciation at all times to help them remember the pains of their labor were nothing compared to the love of a child. The stresses they may go through are nothing compared to the love and devotion of a faithful husband and loving friend.

With this in mind, please tell a women you know, mother, sister, aunt, friend, relative... that you value them and that God broke the mold when He made her! Tell her she is unique, special, precious and above all, a wonderful creation of His love.
get connected

women:

• CBS (Community Bible Study)  
  (Two different sessions)  
  Tuesdays, 6:50pm, Sanctuary &  
  Wednesdays, 9am, Sanctuary  
  churchadmin@covp.org

• Women’s Bible Study  
  Tuesdays, 9:45am, Senior Center  
  Shepherd: Sharon Beauman,  
  714.529.1446

• Game Gals Fellowship (Single Women)  
  4th Friday, 7pm, Senior Center  
  Shepherd: Elaine Fitzwater,  
  714.956.7124

• Women’s Fellowship Program/Luncheon  
  Third Thursdays, 11:30am, St. Andrew’s Hall  
  $5 includes program and delicious lunch  
  Contact: Sue McKnight, gudgranny@sbcglobal.net  
  gudgranny@sbcglobal.net

• “Beth Moore” Bible Study  
  COMING IN JUNE  
  Thursdays, 9:45am, Senior Center  
  “Esther...it’s tough being a woman.”  
  There on the sacred pages of Esther, God overtook a  
  human hand and scripted a young woman’s story into  
  His own. Childcare available upon request.

men:

• Godly Men’s Discipleship Study  
  Saturdays, 9am, Chapel  
  Shepherd: David Ash,  
  714.544.6007

• HIS MEN Fellowship (Large Group)  
  2nd Thursday  
  11:30am, St. Andrew’s Annex

• Saturday AM Men’s Breakfast  
  Second Saturday / 8:00am  
  St. Andrew’s Annex

• Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study  
  Tuesdays, 6:30am,  
  St. Andrew’s Annex  
  Contact: Wayne Slaven  
  714.776.2563

• Good Knight’s (FELLOWSHIP/STUDY)  
  2nd & 4th Mondays, 7pm  
  Heritage Lounge  
  Shepherd: Peter Kupratis,  
  pkupratis@gmail.com

support:

• Prayer Group  
  Tuesdays, 8am, Senior Center  
  churchadmin@covp.org

• Love Thy Neighbor  
  Wednesdays, 4:45pm, Chapel  
  churchadmin@covp.org

• Prayer Meeting w/ Elders  
  Wednesdays, 7:30pm, Chapel

• COVP Prayer Chain  
  There are different ways to be a link:  
  Email, Phone and Focus Group.  
  Contact: Dorothy Sidfrid:  
  dsidfrid@sbcglobal.net

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**family:**

- **COV LOVE - Newly Married/engaged/dating**
  BACK IN MAY...TBD
  at the Archie’s House
  Billy Archie, billy@covp.org

- **YFM - Young Family Ministry**
  1st & 3rd Sundays, 12pm, Church Office
  "Effective Parenting in a Defective World"
  Childcare Provided.
  Shepherd: Raul Alarcon
  raul.alarcon@sbcglobal.net

- **Mom’s N Tots (mothers with young children)**
  2nd & 4th Fridays, 9am, Senior Center
  Shepherd: Marilyn Hewlett, 714-547-2304

**sundays:**

- **Cutting Edge Bible Study (Adults)**
  With John Beauman
  10:30am, Heritage Lounge

- **Titus 2 Woman (All ages)**
  With Jan Meyers
  10:15am, Church Office
  Study, Accountability, Mentorship

- **BIBLE STUDY (Adult/College/everyone)**
  Led by David Ash
  10:15am, Chapel

- **COVP KIDS Sunday School**
  Pre-school - 5th Grade
  Following Children’s Sermon/Sing, Learn, FUN.
  Martha Martin: mmartin@covp.org

- **Sunday COOL (youth study)**
  10am in Youth Hall, Awesomeness and beyond! Dave:
  dcornman@covp.org

**adults:**

- **SHIFT - Young Adult Group (ages 23-35)**
  BACK IN MAY...TBD
  at the Archie’s House
  Billy Archie, billy@covp.org

- **Precepts, Studies (Men & Women)**
  Mondays, 7pm, Harrington Home
  Thursdays, 9:30am, Heritage Lounge
  Shepherd: Sally Harrington,
  714-637-9644

- **Priority One Bible Study (Adult/Senior)**
  1st & 3rd Fridays, 7pm
  Church Office Lounge
  George & Lindi Judd, (Please contact before attending.) 714-524-3130

- **Cana Fellowship (Married Couples)**
  4th Saturday, 6pm (Location varies)
  Contact: Laura Daley,
  714–651-1525

- **Faithbuilders Bible Study (Adult)**
  2nd and 4th Fridays, 7:30pm, Heritage Lounge
  BIBLE STUDIES: 5.9, 5.23, 6.20
  PRAYER & PLANNING: 6.6
  *Nixon Library and a camping trip in early summer
  Shepherd: David & Joann King,
  jking@chapman.edu

- **IN TUNE Bible Study**
  4th Sunday, 6pm, Posey Home
  Jan and Walt Posey,
  714.538.1717

- **Pioneer Fellowship Groups**
  Meets: Various days of the week at different locations.
  Contact the church office for more details.
  714.998.6650

For further information on other Small Group, Large Group Studies and Fellowship Groups, please visit our website at www.covp.org and click the CONNECT/GROW tab.

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**financial report**

3/31/14 period

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FINANCIAL PAGE,

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MARCH 31, 2014 PERIOD

To obtain your log-in password, please call the church office and ask for Betty (714.998.6650 x103)

Thank you,

Covenant Courier and
CPC Financial Team
**Private Music Instructor:**
11 years teaching experience. Currently play with CPC Praise Band as well. Will be able to come to your home. Working studio musician, songwriter, 20 plus years. Affordable rates. Specialized in teaching novice musicians guitar, piano, drums. Contact Darrin 949.600.0915.

Posted: May 1

**Nanny/Care Giver:**
Cynthia, a 28 year old lady that Pastor Stan sponsored in Costa Rica, is looking for work in the US. She has worked in Costa Rican Clinics and speaks wonderful English. Please contact Gail Melander at 714.637.3215 or at gpm1935@gmail.com.

Posted: May 1

**Apartment for Rent:**
Newly constructed, Yorba Linda Area, large Studio apartment: vaulted ceilings, private entrance, utilities/washer/dryer/refrigerator included, view, quiet, close to most shopping. $1,200/mo. Bob: 714.777.4244

**Senior Placement Specialists:**
If you or a loved one are in need of making the transition to Assisted Living, Board and Care, or Memory Care, the Long Term Care Specialists at Senior Spectrum are here to help. We will walk you through each step of the process and personally help take you on individualized tours of the very best options in care. No fees.
Contact: Jennifer Davies: 714.883.1854.  
**Posted: December 1**

**Keyboard Lessons:**
Learn to play a contemporary keyboard, read music and chord charts and even how to play in a band! Most of all, have a great time doing it. For more details, please contact Jacob Silzel at keys@silzel.com or http://silzel.com/jacob or Jacob@silzel.com.

Posted: July 1

**Piano/Keyboard Lessons:**
Private lessons for keyboard and piano lessons. All ages and levels. I can also come to your home. Contact: Wilmer Dursteller, 714.356.6832, wdurst38@gmail.com. Please leave a message if I am unable to answer.

Posted: Sept. 1

**Private Tutor:**
I work with students who need extra help with reading, math, language arts, writing and other academics. I am able to come to your home for sessions. Contact: Judie Dursteller, (714) 290-5456 or at wdurst38@gmail.com

Posted: Sept. 1

**Dog and/or House Sitting:**
Many years of experience at reasonable rates. References provided. Please contact Ruth Correia at (714) 633-3106. Leave a message and she will call you back with further information. Reserve the date you want as far out as a year in advance.

Posted: Sept. 1

**Jewelry Repair:**
If you have jewelry that needs to be repaired, re-strung, or would like a custom order (I do everything but soldering). Please include your name and phone number with each repair item. (If you haven’t received your previously repaired jewelry, please contact me so I can match the jewelry to the owner.) Please call Ardiss Laughery at (714) 827-1139.

Posted: January 16

**CPC NEEDS:**
**Writers**
We are in need of “personal” people who have a background in writing to volunteer their time to interview and write articles/document testimonies/find out great new facts about our beloved church members to be featured in the Covenant Courier.

Please contact: Tricia  courier@covp.org

Keep in touch:

Pastor Stan Van Den Berg:
pastorstan@eastminster.org

**HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?**

Write to courier@covp.org with your need or service and include all pertinent information (contact name, phone number, e-mail if possible, line of business, etc.).

If you are able to accommodate a need or would like to respond to an ad, please contact the submitter directly for further details and information.

This page is meant simply to be a communication tool to help people in our church network on various needs. This page does not require an endorsement.

Covenant Presbyterian Church is not responsible for any services or requests for service. Once your need has been met, please write to courier@covp.org or call at 714-998-6650 x106 to keep this section current and effective.

With over 650 members and families receiving this publication, what better way to seek or provide assistance! Help serve the Lord by supporting another member of your church family.
Courier Due Dates

The Courier is a once-a-month publication.

- Articles for the next Courier are due on or before **Monday, May 12** and will be mailed on **Monday, June 2**.
- Articles for the following Courier are due on or before **Monday, June 16**, and will be mailed **Monday, June 30**. All articles can be placed in the Courier box in the church office, by fax at (714) 998-5737, by e-mail to courier@covp.org or by calling the church office at (714) 998-6650.

SAVE THE DATE: **November 15**

*We know this sounds really early...but the time will fly!*
Just a small reminder about the Holiday Faire.
Mark your calendars!

Start getting those crafty ideas together and save those lightly used and unique items for the Bargain Booth.

TELL A FRIEND OR TWO OR ALL!

Check out our website at www.covp.org!