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Requests:** [prayer@newcovpca.org](mailto:prayer@newcovpca.org)

*Emailed prayer requests are shared with a church-  
wide email prayer chain.*

Name

Email or phone

*Please note that as part of our Safe Church Policy,  
security cameras are running throughout the building.*



## **LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE MAY 7, 2023**

### **PRELUDE**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Brian Fisher

**Meditation & Preparation for Worship**

### **GATHERING & PRAISE**

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 100

**LEADER:** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

***CONGREGATION: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.***

**LEADER:** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

***CONGREGATION: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.***

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Songs of Praise:**

*Before the Throne of God Above  
Holy is the Lord  
Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

**Old Testament Reading: Jonah 2:1-10**

### **PRAYER**

**Pastoral Prayer**

*Children 3 years old – Kindergarten may be dismissed for Children's Fellowship*

**Offertory Hymn: #116 For the Beauty of the Earth**

**Offertory Prayer**

**THE WORD & SACRAMENT**

**New Testament Reading:** John 14:1-14

**Message:** *“Living On a Prayer”*

**\*Hymn:** #644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior (verses 1-3)*

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**OUR RESPONSE & SENDING**

**\*Hymn:** #644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior (verses 4-5)*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Hymn:** #735 *Gloria Patri*

\*Congregation will please stand

Pastor Wilson reads from the ESV (English Standard Version) Bible.

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**ABOUT NEW COV**

**New Covenant PCA** is a young church with a family history going back more than seventy years. Our church was formed in 2008 by merging the former New Hope PCA (founded in 1981) and the former Covenant Orthodox Presbyterian Church (founded in 1937). Each brought significant strengths and gifts and the Lord has been abundantly blessing us together as one congregation. We are blessed with members of every age and stage and we welcome those interested in learning about the Bible and Christianity as well as those who have been Bible students and Christians for many years. The joy of the Lord is our strength as we seek to please Him by teaching and living His Word while loving and serving others.

If you are visiting with us today, **welcome!** We hope you are blessed by being here and that you feel comfortable and at home.

**For guests with children:** We welcome children in the service but if you need other resources, a **Nursery** is available for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and, children 3 years old through kindergarten are welcome to attend **Children’s Fellowship** (dismissed after the prayer--before the first hymn). The nursery is located across the hall from the sanctuary and Children’s Fellowship meets at the end of the hall in our education wing. Children are also welcome to pick up a Children’s bulletin clipboard at the Welcome Desk.

**This week:**

<b>Today</b> <i>(May 7)</i>	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm	Monroeville Home Group in FLC
	5:00 pm	Murrysville Home Group @ Gregory's
	6:00 pm	Forest Hills Home Group @ Monroeville Park
<b>Monday</b>	5:30 pm	Alabaster Children's Theatre
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm	Session meeting
<b>Friday</b>	9:30 am	Mom's Morning In in FLC
	10:00 am	Sr. Saints Bible Study
<b>Saturday</b>	2:00 pm	FLC Reserved
<b>Sunday</b> <i>(May 14)</i>		<b>No</b> Sunday school
	10:00 am	Worship

**Serving Today**

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	B. Fisher
<b>Nursery:</b>	S. Schmidt, J. Gregory, E. Faith
<b>Children's Fellowship:</b>	C. Bovard, T. Bovard
<b>D.A.D.</b>	J. Miller

**Serving next week: May 14**

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	M. Woodhead
<b>Nursery:</b>	S. Ahlers, C. Miller, E. Fischer
<b>Children's Fellowship:</b>	K. Minnigh, G. Minnigh
<b>D.A.D.</b>	J. Miller

**Note:** Announcements for the bulletin should be submitted to the office by 3 p.m. Wednesday for printing on Thursday.

**Connect**

I'd like more info about:

 Volunteering Membership Bible study Home groups Youth ministry Other:

name

address

phone

email

 Please add me to  
the church email list Please add me to the  
email prayer chain Please add/change  
above information  
to church directory

*Place this tear-off strip in  
the offering plate*

**May 7, 2023**

**PRAYER AND PRAISES FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

**Berkenpas Family:** Please keep Mike's sister-in-law, Mary, in prayer as she had surgery for a brain tumor this week at the Mayo Clinic. Pray for her healing, strength and recovery, and for her husband Mitch (Mike's brother), their 3 kids and extended family as they support her.

**Whisners:** Please keep both Bob and Anne Marie in prayer as Anne Marie is recovering from surgery on her fractured hip.

**Remember the continuing prayer needs of:**

*Kurt & Susan Ahlers*

*Pat Arledge Benko (Zeta's mom)*

*John & Nancy Bernheisel*

*Luella Blough*

*Angie Bortoluzzi*

*Connie Close (Andy's mother)*

*Colin (son of Tom Turner's cousin)*

*Covenant Church; Nashville, TN*

*Olga Deklevar*

*Florida residents (Hurricane Ian recovery)*

*Deane Fowler*

*Phil Gelston (friend of Strubles)*

*Addy George (Swearingen's granddaughter)*

*Wayne & Corney Griffith*

*Hanna Family*

*Jessica (C. Wilson's friend)*

*Joan Ludchak*

*Jim Partridge*

*Jean Rizzi*

*Sofia Rollins (Siverd's daughter-in-law)*

*Bill Schroeder (Rick's brother)*

*Doris Seath*

*Ukraine/Russia*

*Peggy Voll*

*Lauren Watt*

*Bobbie Watson*

*Bob & Anne Marie Whisner*

**FOR OUR MILITARY:**

Pray for those serving or training in the military either here or overseas – especially those from our church family or who have friends or relatives in our church family: **Chloe Christensen, David Daugherty, Alex Gabrielse, Ian Griffith, Ryan Grimm, Jason Hice, Naomi Howard, Craig Jordan, Dan McCrorey, Dan Parsons, Jeff Pifer, Steve Schroeder, Greg Schuelke, and Steve Spear.**

## **FOR MISSIONARIES AND OUTREACH PARTNERS:**

Bob Allums – SeeJesus

Callie Miller & Gavin Breeden – RUF

Phil and Amina – MTW India

Jay – Navigators

Chris and Josephine – World Harvest- London, England

Dale and Linda McLane – MTW Int'l Christian Education

Josiah and Laryssa – Global Gates

B&P – France

PitCare, Inc.

Robbie and Jen Schmidtberger – Iron Works West Chester

Nate Keisel – Mosaic Church, Jeannette

David Eades – Dayspring Community Church

Linda Clark – Wheelchairs Restored – Uniquely the Same

Lucas Poole – YoungLife

Women's Choice Network

**May Home Groups** | Home Groups meet monthly for fellowship, Bible study and prayer. If interested in joining a Home Group, please see the contact information below.

Group	Details:
Forest Hills	Sun. 5/7; 6 pm @ Monroeville Park (near pickleball courts). Contact Mike Berkenpas 412-712-9680 with any questions. Small groups continue as usual.
Monroeville	Sun. 5/7; 5 pm @ Church Family Life Center. Contact Andy Bovard 412-512-3044 with any questions.
Murrysville	<b>Sun. 5/7</b> ; 5 pm @ Gregory's home. Contact Rob Dalbey 724-325-9571 with any questions.

**Communion Offering** | Our Communion offering is designated to support the work the deacons within our church and locally. Please use the Communion Offering envelope if you wish to contribute to this fund or mark *Deacon's offering* on your check.

**Baby Bottle Campaign to support Women's Choice Network** – The campaign has ended. Please return any filled baby bottles to the Welcome Desk as soon as possible.

**Mom's Morning In – Friday, May 12; 9:30 a.m. @ New Covenant** | Moms & young children are invited to a time of fun and fellowship with the moms of MCC. Contact Bethany Nemit for more information: 412-443-5673.

**Sr. Saints Bible Study | Friday, May 12 @ 10:00 a.m.** in the Conference Room | Pastor Wilson leads this study and they welcome anyone who is interested to join them for fellowship, study and prayer.

**Sunday School schedule** | Please note that we will not have Sunday School on May 14 for Mother's Day and the last week of classes will be May 21 before a summer break.

**May Fellowship Lunch – Sunday, May 21** | All are invited for meatball sandwiches! The Missions Committee is partnering with the Fellowship Committee to ask for your help in supporting the upcoming Fairmont, WV mission trip. If you are interested in supporting the trip, a donation basket will be available at the lunch. While monetary donations are welcomed, they are certainly not required and we invite you to stay for the meal regardless. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and RSVP at <https://bit.ly/FLMay2023> .

**Hymn Sing – May 21; 6:30 pm** | The Watt family is organizing a monthly hymn sing beginning May 21 and continuing every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. They will gather in the courtyard area and use the Trinity hymnals to sing acapella unless someone would be interested in volunteering accompaniment. Please contact Lauren Watt with any questions: [lauren@laurenseasel.com](mailto:lauren@laurenseasel.com) .

**Church Work Night** | The Property Committee is planning a Work Night for **Wednesday, May 24th from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.** Our main focus will be painting classrooms and touching up the paint in other areas of the building. Dinner will be provided; please RSVP to Steve Schroeder so that he can get a count for dinner.

**Wheels to Meals Fellowship Event – Saturday, May 27** | Chuck & Zeta Turner invite you to their home in Confluence for biking, fellowship, food and fun. Plan a bike trip on the Great Allegheny Passage bike trail and stop in at their house for lunch. Food will be available from 12 noon – 3:00 pm. Pick up a flyer on the Welcome Desk for more details. RSVP by May 25 @ <https://bit.ly/w2m2023>.

**TCS Golf Outing 2023 - Save The Date!** | The annual golf outing to benefit Trinity Christian School will be held on **Monday, June 26** at Glengarry Golf Course in Latrobe so please SAVE THE DATE! Grab your clubs and friends and head to the course for a fun day of competition and fellowship while raising funds for our school. To learn more about how YOU can get involved, please email Ed Galloway at [golf@trinitychristian.net](mailto:golf@trinitychristian.net).

**2023 Graduates** | If you have a graduate in your family, please let us know the details. Send information to [office@newcovpca.org](mailto:office@newcovpca.org) and we will recognize them in a future bulletin and on the bulletin board (send pictures as well). For High school grads, we would like to know the school graduating from as well as future plans. For college grads, please send school and degree completed.



***“Living On a Prayer”***

John 14:12-14

I. Greater works

II. A blank check

III. A better way

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.