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**Prayer Requests:**

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

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



Guest password: **Psalm122:1**

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



## **LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE AUGUST 6, 2023**

### **PRELUDE**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Rick Schroeder

**Meditation & Preparation for Worship**

### **GATHERING & PRAISE**

**\*Call to Worship**

from 1 Chronicles 29:11-13

LEADER: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.

***CONGREGATION: We thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.***

LEADER: Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.

***CONGREGATION: We thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.***

LEADER: In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

***CONGREGATION: And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.***

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Songs of Praise:**

*Come People of the Risen King  
Jesus, Lord of Heaven  
Lead Me to the Cross*

**Old Testament Reading:** Jeremiah 31:31-34

## PRAYER

### Pastoral Prayer

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

**Offertory Hymn:** #289 *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*

### Offertory Prayer

## THE WORD & SACRAMENT

**New Testament Reading:** Acts 1:1-11

**Message:** *"The First 40 Days"*

Rev. Jim Spitzel

**\*Hymn:** #252 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (verses 1-3)*

### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

## OUR RESPONSE & SENDING

**\*Hymn:** #252 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (verse 4)*

### \*Benediction

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

\*Congregation will please stand

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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>(Aug. 6)</i>	10:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm	Murrysville Home Group @ VerHill's
	6:00 pm	Forest Hills Home Group @ Monroeville Park
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm	Session meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am	Mom's Morning In @ Bear Hollow Park
<b>Friday</b>	10:00 am	Sr. Saints Bible Study
<b>Saturday</b>	12 noon	Bridal Shower for Sarah Struble
	6:30 pm	Youth Group & Family outing to Pgh Riverhounds
<b>Sunday</b> <i>(Aug. 13)</i>	10:00 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Congregational Meeting

**Serving Today**

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	R. Schroeder
<b>Nursery:</b>	L. Fisher, E. Miller, K. Kessler
<b>Children's Fellowship:</b>	S. Sansone, L. Donatucci
<b>D.A.D.</b>	D. Iriana

**Serving next week: August 13**

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	R. Dalbey
<b>Nursery:</b>	E. Parsons, H. Weiser, C. Sansone
<b>Children's Fellowship:</b>	O. Sansone, S. Sansone
<b>D.A.D.</b>	D. Iriana

**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

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\_\_\_\_\_ Bible study

\_\_\_\_\_ Home groups

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth ministry

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\_\_\_\_\_ phone

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\_\_\_\_\_ Please add me to the email prayer chain

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

**August 6, 2023**



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

Please keep the **Dalbey family and Rob's mother** in prayer. She is under hospice care and the caregivers are striving to aid her comfort. Unfortunately, she suffered a fall this week and has a pretty good egg on the back of her head. The family would greatly appreciate your prayers for strength and comfort in the difficult days ahead.

**Remember the continuing prayer needs of:**

<i>Kurt &amp; Susan Ahlers</i>	<i>Wayne &amp; Corney Griffith</i>
<i>Pat Arledge Benko (Zeta's mom)</i>	<i>Hanna Family</i>
<i>Mary Berkenpas</i>	<i>Kelly Howell</i>
<i>John &amp; Nancy Bernheisel</i>	<i>Joan Ludchak</i>
<i>Luella Blough</i>	<i>Jim Partridge</i>
<i>Angie Bortoluzzi</i>	<i>Jean Rizzi</i>
<i>Connie Close (Andy's mother)</i>	<i>Sofia Rollins (Siverd's daughter-in-law)</i>
<i>Colin (son of Tom Turner's cousin)</i>	<i>Bill Schroeder (Rick's brother)</i>
<i>Covenant Church; Nashville, TN</i>	<i>Doris Seath</i>
<i>Family of Olga Deklevar</i>	<i>Ukraine/Russia</i>
<i>Florida residents (Hurricane Ian recovery)</i>	<i>Peggy Voll</i>
<i>Deane Fowler</i>	<i>Lauren Watt, RC Watt</i>
<i>Phil Gelston (friend of Strubles)</i>	<i>Bobbie Watson</i>
<i>Wayne Getz (Charlene's son)</i>	<i>Bob &amp; Anne Marie Whisner</i>

**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

**August Home Groups** | Home Groups meet monthly for fellowship, study and prayer.

Group	Details:
Forest Hills	Sun. 8/6; 6 pm @ Monroevill Park by tennis courts. Contact Mike Berkenpas 412-712-9680 with any questions.
Monroeville	Will not meet this month.
Murrysville	Sun. 8/6; 5 pm @ VerHill's home. Contact Rob Dalbey 724-325-9571 with any questions.

**Moms Morning In Heads Outside for the Summer!** | **Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>; 10am @ Bear Hollow Park in Murrysville.** Big kids are welcome too; bring friends and your own snacks. In the event of rain or thunderstorms they will postpone to the following day at the same location. Hope to see you there! Any questions, text Bethany Nemit (412)443-5673.

**Sr. Saints Bible Study** | **Friday, August 11 @ 10:00 a.m.** in the Conference Room | All are welcome to join them for fellowship, study and prayer.

**Congregational Meeting** | Session is calling a Congregational meeting for **Sunday, August 13**, following the morning worship service. The purpose of the meeting is 1) update the congregation on the proposed kitchen remodel and obtain funding approval for that project, and 2) elect a pastoral search committee. Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

**Bridal Shower for Sarah Struble** | **Saturday, August 12;** beginning at 12 noon | All women are invited to celebrate and honor Sarah as she prepares for her upcoming wedding to Caleb Nasman. The couple is registered at Target and Amazon. **Please RSVP** at <https://bit.ly/SSCNshower>.

**Annual Youth Group Outing to the Riverhounds' Soccer Game** | **Saturday, August 12;** Game starts at 7 pm but we plan to meet at the East Gate of Highmark Stadium at 6:30. All youth group kids, parents, and siblings are invited (as well as the rest of the church--even if you don't have a youth group kid!). Tickets are \$18 and there will be a link to purchase those online at the group rate, so contact Chris Bovard if you are interested.

**Church Picnic – Sunday, August 20; 4:00 p.m.** | Our annual church picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, August 20 at the church (this will be instead of our August Fellowship Lunch). Plan to come for food, fellowship and fun! The Fellowship committee will provide chicken; please bring a side dish or dessert to share. RSVP through the sign-up sheet to help us plan accordingly: <https://bit.ly/picnicAug2023> .

**Pitcare Food Pantry needs your help!** Help is needed on the weekends, Saturday or Sunday, to stock the shelves for Monday's distribution. A family or group of four can manage it in about an hour. If you have questions about what the job entails, contact Jess Bovard. Any scheduling questions can be directed to Patty Iriana (piriana@gmail.com or text to 412-609-6428) or pick at date to volunteer on the sign-up sheet:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805044EA9AB2CA13-pitcare>

**Westminster Conference – September 15-16** | The Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary will host the Westminster Conference at Providence Presbyterian Church. This year's topic will be: *"The Means of Grace: Prayer- One Special Part of Religious Worship"*. Pick up a flyer from the Welcome Desk for more details and register before August 15 for early registration rates.

**Save the Date! – New Cov Women's Retreat** | September 15-16 @ Ligonier Camp & Conference Center. More details will follow soon.