



# Covenant Presbyterian Church

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## Covenant Update

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### Tentative Plans for a Partial Reopening

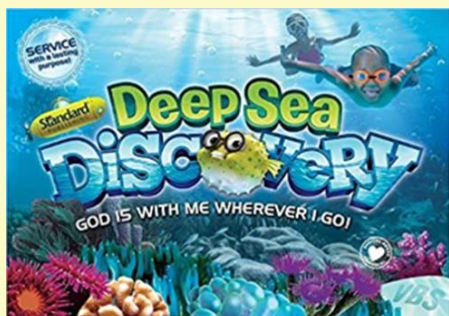
Since the beginning of the pandemic, Covenant's elders, deacons, and staff have prayerfully considered when we might gradually resume public worship

Please pray for our church leaders as they continue to evaluate information about the virus, local health conditions and recommendations, theological

gatherings. Recent positive trends, including the anticipation of our county moving from a “red” to “yellow” classification by this time next week, suggest the time may soon be approaching for a limited reopening (at first, just 25 members plus ushers and worship leaders). Logistical preparations are being made to foster a safe environment for returning members while continuing to broadcast our service via live stream for those who are either in high risk categories or who otherwise choose to remain home until conditions further improve. Additional details will be made available as plans are confirmed.

considerations, and options for reopening. Even under ideal circumstances, the process will be slow and gradual, requiring ongoing patience and flexibility as we continue to trust the Lord and adapt to changing realities. Through it all, we look to our Savior who does not change (Heb. 13:8) and who will continue to lead and protect His people in His amazing grace.

## Vacation Bible School, June 28–July 2!



Although we will not be able to meet in person, VBS will go on in 2020, complete with Bible lessons, crafts, games, and even snack!

To enhance the experience, we will be preparing at-home packets containing materials to be used along with the videos. On **June 27** we will host a drive-by materials pick-up at the church. More information will follow in a future Update.

This year we will review some of the fun we have had in recent years, singing familiar songs and encountering some of our Bible memory friends from past VBS adventures as shown above.

From **June 28 through July 2**, we will post a 30 minute VBS video every day on our CPC YouTube channel.

If you plan to participate, please RSVP to the church office so that we know how many packets to assemble and can keep you in the loop about any other VBS details. Hope you will be able to join us!!



## Resource Spotlight



During this time when many are re-thinking how to "do work", **Paul Tripp** has written [this devotional](#) entitled *Too Many Christian Workaholics*, examining the struggle between work, priorities, and ultimately, identity.

## A Few Other Things to Note

- Jason Clement will be teaching our Adult Sunday school class on Zoom starting this Sunday through the next four weeks. Jason will present the last four classes of his series, *Parables, Part 2*. Please click [here](#) to join the class on Sunday morning.
- Parents will receive an invitation to Sunday School and Heart Hiders Zoom classes:
  - 9:50-10:10am - Age 3 - Grade 2 with Sharon Muhlfeld
  - 10:15-10:25am - Heart Hiders
  - 11:45-12:20 - Grade 3-6 with Charlie Colombo
- Today is the last day to contact Pastor Jim if you are interested in participating in a new online Bible study beginning in June and utilizing material from Precept Ministries. The study will run for five weeks in the evenings only. Please [click here](#) for more information.

- Please note that the Senior Fellowship picnic for June 9 has been cancelled. Instead, a gathering for fellowship and prayer is planned for June 9 at 11:00 am via Zoom. Please watch your email for a link to connect. Contact Joan Freed with any questions.
- We very much appreciate everyone's prayers for VBS this year as we make drastic adjustments from our usual preparations. Pray that the Lord will transform many children's lives, and pray that the virtual platform might reach even more young hearts with the Gospel than we could in our church building alone. Pray especially for the technical aspects of production. If anyone would be willing to lend a hand with video editing, the entire operation would be greatly enhanced! Please contact Sharon Muhlfeld if interested.

This Sunday John Rohrman will preach from **Matthew 11:28-30**, and his sermon title is ***Rest for the Weary***. He writes, "Jesus' offer of rest for the weary and burdened is among the more well-known and cherished verses in Scripture. The context of his invitation, in Matthew 11-12, along with the context of our current circumstances, provide us an opportunity to think about what Jesus is offering, how we experience it, and why we should come to him for rest. Although we may sometimes prefer to complain about our burdens or pridefully display our weariness as a badge of honor, when we consider what Jesus means by a yoke that is easy and a burden that is light, we will realize that it is far better to come to him, submit to him, learn from him and be refreshed by his gracious presence."

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*We look forward to worshipping with you  
via live stream this week!*

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