



COVENANT CONNECTION

“Developing Kingdom-Hearted Believers”

Holy Week Observances

Palm Sunday - March 16th

Beyond Worship - 11:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center

Combined Worship - 11:00 a.m. in the Worship Center

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

An Easter Cantata Presented by Covenant's Music Ministry

Maundy Thursday Service - March 20th

7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center

A solemn service of song and scripture commemorating the Last Supper our Lord shared with His disciples.

A nursery will be provided for birth to age 3.

Good Friday Service - March 21st

Sponsored by Beyond

7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

Come and reflect on the events that transpired on the day our Lord was pierced for our transgressions and crushed for our iniquities. Learn how Jesus “finished” the covenant made between God and Abraham.

Resurrection Sunday - March 23rd

Dr. Welch's Message:

Jesus, The Heart of Our Faith: *The Hope of Jesus*

Flowering The Cross

Covenant's beautiful Easter morning observance of decorating the cross on the front lawn with flowers will continue this year. Everyone is invited to place flowers on the cross as you arrive at church on Easter Sunday morning.

SHARE THE VISION...Dr. Bert Welch

e-mail: Bert@CBCLancaster.org

New Sermon Series

DIARY OF A CRYING PROPHET

In my many years of preaching and teaching, I have never explored the full message of the Book of Lamentations. After thorough reading, I soon discovered that the Prophet Jeremiah voiced some vital messages for our times. I trust you will join in this new sermon series, and doing so, we may too cry out to God!

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| April 6 | <i>For Crying Out Loud!</i> |
| April 13 | <i>Complaining or Confessing?</i> |
| April 27 | <i>You Reap What You Sow</i> |
| May 11 | <i>Life in the Pit</i> |
| May 18 | <i>Tarnished Treasure</i> |
| June 1 | <i>Beyond Forgiveness</i> |

Making Change Seminar:

A transformational guide to Christian money management seminar will be held on Monday, April 28th, at First Baptist Church of Rock Hill from 6-9 p.m. Dinner will be served. Cost is \$10.00 per person. If interested, call the Church Office at 286-5683 to make your reservation. Dr. Welch will be staff sponsor of this event.

Wycliffe Dinner Theatre

Friday, March 28th

6:30 PM - CBC Family Life Center

The theatre is performed by Wycliffe's traveling drama troupe, and a delicious meal is provided. **The tickets are free and must be obtained from one of our table hosts or at the sign-up table in the main hallway of Covenant.** There will be a love offering taken at each table to cover the drama and meal fee and for our upcoming Student Ministry Mission Trip to Haiti in June. We have room for only 250, so get your ticket soon! Childcare provided for children birth – age 11.

Help Needed: Volunteers are needed to house the Wycliffe Dinner Theatre drama team members on Friday night, March 28th. The team members consist of 1 married couple, 6 single girls and 5 single guys. These team members will need to be picked up following the Dinner Theatre at approximately 10:15 p.m., housed for the night, and provided with breakfast the next morning and also a bag lunch. Please call Jane Denyer at 285-8036 if you can help. Thank you in advance.

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Please Pray For...

Springs: Kate Hughes

Please be in prayer daily for...

Ashley Eith on mission in Ecuador, March 8-16.

Sympathy

...to Jamie & Christina Furse in the death of her grandfather, Oscar Wilcox of Garden City, GA.

...to J.R. & Jill Baker in the death of her grandmother, Penelope Thomas.

...to Moby & Brenda Faulkenberry in the death of his brother, Alfred Faulkenberry of Gadsden, AL.

...to Mike & Patty Matthews in the death of her mother, Millie Brownd of KY.

Thank You

...from Jane Denyer.

...from The Crawfords and Chengs (Relatives of Eleanor Palmer).

...from the Shiloh Zion Volunteer Fire Department & Ladies Auxiliary.

Congratulations

...to Bill & Virginia Hogue on the birth of a great-granddaughter, Cassidy Carter Dunn, born on March 5th. Parents are Kristen & Scott Dunn of Fayetteville, AR.

Happy Birthday!

March 16 Angela Barrier

March 17 Meagan Denyer, Oliver Wall

March 18 Marvin Fitzgerald, Justin Funderburk,
Kelsey Harbin, Diane Newton, Caleb Story

March 19 Jim Burke, Joshua Howard, Bob Williams

March 20 Jackie Helvey, Sara Jordan, Stephanie Williams

March 21 Mary Cudd, Jo Ann Garris, Larry Harris,
Jonathan Jauch, Rhonda Kramer

March 22 Jon Coblenz, Mhairi Henderson, Josie Perry,
Elliott Wall, Lisa Watson



Silent Witness Buttons

Free Easter 2008 buttons are available in the baskets in the main hallway. Take one and share one with a friend at work, school or the neighborhood. This button may very well serve as a “talking point” opportunity to witness for the Lord and explain the glory of Easter Sunday!

His & Her Wedding Shower

You are invited to a wedding shower on Sunday, March 30th, for Jeremiah Coble and Whitney Beatty. Jeremiah is the son of Jerry & Cathy Coble. He and Whitney are registered at Belk, Silver & Spice, Target, and Bed, Bath & Beyond. Please drop in from 2-4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Conversation With The Pastor

Our Pastor, Dr. Bert Welch, leads an informal sharing time each Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room (located near the front foyer) for anyone interested in knowing more about Covenant. **New members and those interested in becoming members are invited and urged to attend.** No sign up is needed!

STUDENT MINISTRY: Robbie Foreman

e-mail: Robbie@CBCLancaster.org

www.smcovenant.org

SOFTBALL REGISTRATION:

Men and Women's Softball sign-ups are underway. Sign up in the main hallway. The cost per person will be determined when we get our completed roster. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, March 30th. The men's season begins on April 7th.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Tim Howard

e-mail: Tim@CBCLancaster.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS/LEADERS MEETING:

Sunday, March 16th, at 12:00 noon. Lunch and child care will be provided.

OPERATION IN-AS-MUCH:

Saturday, March 29th - OIAM Training with Rev. David Crocker,
Founder of OIAM

Saturday, April 19th - OIAM - Please take a few moments to begin planning your OIAM project. A sheet with some needs and ideas will be attached to your Sunday School attendance sheets this Sunday.

SAGA NEWS:

Sign up now to join us for a supper trip to Captain Steve's in Fort Mill on Friday, March 14th. We will meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. and take the bus.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Stephanie Williams

e-mail: Stephanie@CBCLancaster.org

THERE WILL BE NO CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 16th!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EASTER PARTY:

We will have our Annual Easter Party on Sunday, March 16th, from 3-5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great time for families, so come out with your Easter basket!!!!

TAKING OUR CHILDREN BACK CONFERENCE:

We are waging a battle with the world for our children, and it's time for us as parents to take our children back. The conference will be held at Covenant on Saturday, April 5th, from 10am-2pm. The cost is \$15 per family (includes baby-sitting, lunch and lots of take home materials). Pick up a brochure from Stephanie Williams for more information.

PARENTS, MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

"Power Lab" Vacation Bible School will be held June 23-27 from 9 am - noon. You can register your child on-line at <https://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/cbclancasterse> or pick up a registration form in the office hallway. Also if you would like to volunteer, please see Georgia Yelton or Stephanie Williams.

SUMMER CHILDREN'S CAMP:

Covenant Kids are going to Camp Pinehill in Bennettsville on July 7-11.

CALENDAR**Sunday, March 16**

9:45 am Coffee & Conversation
 10:00 am Sunday School
 10:00 am Conversation with the Pastor
 11:00 am Easter Music Presentation
 11:00 am Beyond Worship
 12:00 pm SS Teachers/Leaders Lunch
 3:00 pm Children's Easter Party
 5:00 pm Intercessory Prayer
 5:00 pm Beyond Leadership Meeting
 5:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
 5:00 pm *Credo* Rehearsal
 6:00 pm YouthSINGERS
 6:00 pm Duke Small Group Study

Monday, March 17

6:30 pm Global Missions WOM
 7:00 pm Life Support WOM

Tuesday, March 18

12:00 pm Lunch Bunch WOM

Wednesday, March 19

No evening meal or activities on this night with the following exception:

7:00 pm *Chorale* Rehearsal

Thursday, March 20

9:00 am ESL Class
 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service
 ESL Classes

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS**SUNDAY, MARCH 16****Coffee Station:**

Tim & Rhonda Steele

Refreshment Station:

JOY SS Class

Greeters:

Wayne & Rhonda McMackin,
 Kathy Welch (11:00)

Worship Time Childcare:

Lynn Jauch, Georgia Yelton,
 Lou C. Thomas, Tracey Denney,
 Brandon Crane (11:00)

Children's Church:

There will be no Children's Church
 this Sunday.

Counting Team Rotation:

Dick Light, Bob Penegar

Power Point Operators:

Leigh Jordan (11:00)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

There will be no evening meal
 or activities on this night with
 the exception of *Chorale*
 Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

General Fund Monthly Goal for March: \$54,350

Forward In Faith (Building Fund) Monthly Goal: \$11,675

| <u>Receipts</u> | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Building Fund</u> | <u>Designated</u> | <u>Total Receipts</u> |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Week #1 | \$16,581 | \$4,426 | \$4,889 | \$25,896 |
| Week #2 | <u>11,598</u> | <u>2,871</u> | <u>4,179</u> | <u>18,648</u> |
| Monthly Total | \$28,179 | \$7,297 | \$9,068 | \$44,544 |

***DESIGNATED FUND:** This amount represents any and all monies given to CBC other than General Fund and Building Fund, such as Missions, Mission Trips, Beyond Worship, Seasonal Mission Offerings, Wednesday Suppers, Churchwide Trips/Events.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING TO DATE: \$3,356.00

(Given in 2007: \$5,045.24)

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 3/9/08: Worship - 439 / Sunday School - 281

Week of 3/3/08: Wednesday - 227 / Small Groups - 113

DONATIONS:...in memory of Robert Howle by Mary Cudd, M/M Bob Leaphart, Pat McManus and M/M Frankie Faile...in memory of Ernest Bowen by Mary Cudd...in memory of Eleanor Palmer by Pat McManus...in honor of Calvin & Mickey Miller for their 60th wedding anniversary by The Charles Miller Family and the Dwight Miller Family.

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| Pastor | Bert Welch (283-1875 - home) |
| Minister of Music & Worship | Keith Sellers (289-9545 - home) |
| Minister of Spiritual Growth | Tim Howard (285-7970 - home) |
| Minister of Students & Recreation | Robbie Foreman (285-3156 - home) |
| Children's Ministry Director | Stephanie Williams (704-764-5792 - home) |
| Church Accompanist | Lannia Broñola-Dickert |
| Praise Team Accompanist | Kathy Wall |
| Administrative Assistant | Pat Rutledge |
| Church Secretary | Gina Spencer |
| Church Hostess | Julie Dutton |
| Custodian | Joe Reuschling |
| Assistant Custodian | Georgia Yelton |

"Every Member a Minister"

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 16, 2008

Beyond Worship - 11:00 A.M. in the Family Life Center

Understand Me: Jesus Our King

Teacher: Art Morris

Contemporary & Traditional Combined Worship - 11:00 A.M.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome & Prayer

Bert Welch

Hymn 126

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Global Missions Update

Carolyn Murrow

Stewardship Prayer

Offertory

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

created by Dennis and Nan Allen

presented by the Chorale, Credo,

Praise Team and Instrumental Ensemble

Closing Prayer

A nursery is provided for Birth-age 3 in the Preschool Area.

Children's Church is provided for ages 3 through 3rd grade in the Student Room.

Sermon Outlines of Dr. Welch's message are located in the main hallway.

Audio CDs of Dr. Welch's message are available through the Church Office.