



COVENANT CONNECTION

“Developing Kingdom-Hearted Believers”



JULY 4TH



EXTRAVAGANZA

Fun and Games Begin at 5:30 p.m.

BBQ Sandwich Plate Supper at 7:00 p.m.

Churchwide Gathering at 8:00 p.m.

Fireworks at Dusk

INTRODUCING JASON BURLEY

MINISTER OF MUSIC & WORSHIP RECOMMENDATION

It is with great pleasure that the Personnel Committee and Search Team present Jason Burley as the unanimous choice for the position of Minister of Music and Worship. Jason grew up at Spring Valley Baptist Church in Columbia and was ordained into the Gospel Ministry by that congregation on February 10, 2002. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Music from Anderson University in 2001. In addition to receiving awards of recognition for excellence in academics and leadership, including induction in the prestigious Denmark Society, he also was a member, and later a leader, of their premier vocal group, Radiance.

For nearly seven years, he's led the music ministry of Covenant Baptist Church in Anderson. He has been responsible for a comprehensive program that included musical opportunities for all age groups in a variety of settings. Leadership of their Worship Choir and Praise Team/Band has been central among his duties. He enjoys the breadth of the church musical experience as evidenced by his creation and leadership of groups such as Ladies, Young Adult, and Men's ensembles. Managing today's technology has also been within his scope with experience in audio and video digital editing, coordinating radio and television broadcasts, and website design and management. His ministry objective includes the desire "to enable and encourage the church congregation to glorify God, enter His presence, and worship Him in spirit and in truth." Truly, this resonates fully with our desire as well.

Jason comes with his wife, Heather, and their two year old daughter, Camryn. Heather, also an Anderson graduate, received her Master of Arts and Specialist degree from Winthrop University and has been a school psychologist in Pickens County. Heather is a native of Cheraw, SC, and was a member of First Baptist Church there. Lancaster puts them a bit closer to Camryn's grandparents in Columbia and Cheraw.

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During his recent years of service, Jason has developed a reputation for the quality of his music program as confirmed by excellent references. Your Search Team has prayerfully embraced the task of seeking out God's choice to lead our wonderful Music and Worship Ministry, and we are confident in our wholehearted recommendation of Jason Burley. **Please make a special effort to meet the Burleys at one or more of the opportunities listed below.**

- ï **Friday, July 4th:** July 4th Extravaganza in the Family Life Center
- ï **Saturday, July 5th:** Informal churchwide drop-in from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- ï **Sunday, July 6th:** Jason will participate in all three worship services.

A Called Family Forum will be held during each worship service to consider extending a call to Jason Burley to become Covenant's Minister of Music and Worship.

SHARE THE VISION...Dr. Bert Welch

CELEBRATE FREEDOM! At the time of this writing, we have nearly 300 folks signed up for our annual July 4th Extravaganza. Amidst the fun and activities on the 4th, I do trust that we will all take a moment to give thanks unto the Lord for the blessing and privilege of being citizens of the greatest nation on the earth and to pause and reflect on the high cost to secure and protect the freedom we enjoy today. Even if you have not signed up for the meal this Friday evening, please come and be a part of the gathering time at 8 p.m. followed by the fireworks display at dusk. *Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord..* (Psalm 33:12)

WASHINGTON DC REFLECTIONS....My recent trip to DC for the Congressional Pastor's Briefing was an interesting experience. I had the honor of meeting several dynamic and committed Christian congressmen during the conference. One of the most inspiring moments of the trip came during a Spiritual Heritage Tour of the Capitol building on Monday. David Barton, one of the nation's foremost authorities on the spiritual formation of our nation, led the tour and has produced a DVD of the tour. I plan to show portions of this "**Spiritual Heritage of the Capitol**" presentation during our **Wednesday night sessions on July 9th and 16th.** I invite you to come and participate.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST! I am looking forward to being a part of the Jason, Heather and Camryn Burley introduction this weekend. Having been a part of the search process to discover God's choice for our Minister of Music and Worship, I am absolutely confident of the team's recommendation. Great days are ahead!

CARE MINISTRY & STEERING COMMITTEE SERVANTS

If God is leading you to serve as a member of the Care Ministry Team or the Steering Committee, fill out a form from the main hallway and give it to one of the Staff Ministers, or if you would like to recommend someone for service, fill out the form below:

RECOMMENDATION FOR SERVICE

Please detach and place in offering plate or give to Dr. Welch by July 30th!

CARE MINISTRY TEAM
Our Care Ministry Team functions
in the biblical role of deacons.

STEERING COMMITTEE
Our Steering Committee functions
in the biblical role of elders.

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Please Pray For...

Springs: Jerry Baker (J.R. Baker's father)
Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN: David Cooper (Don & Cynda Cooper's son)
Nashville, TN: Warren Cooper (Don & Cynda Cooper's son)
Home: Jack Bethea, Carol Bailey

Please Pray Daily For Those On Mission:

Guinea-Bissau, West Africa - June 14-July 5: Riah Lawry
Guinea-Bissau, West Africa - July 2-17: Jim Whitaker
Fuquay Varina, NC - July 6-12: Chuck Funderburk, Tim Howard, Dag Owens,
Bruce Sowell, Elliott Wall

Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Josh, Jessica & Ansley Usher on the birth of a baby girl, Kailyn Grace, born on June 27th. Kailyn's grandparents are Bobby & Donna Penegar, and her great-grandparents are Bob & Helga Penegar.

Happy Birthday!

July 6 Meredith Jenkins
July 7 Carla Davenport
July 8 Chris Brown
July 9 Paul Bailey
July 10 L.H. Dickert, Fernando Marin Jr., Mike Williams
July 11 Joy Bowles, Cathy Coble, Ashley Garris, Amy Jones, Summer Lange
July 12 Robert Mungo, Jason Young

Welcome New Members

Covenant welcomes **Larry & Sandra Stocker** who come by Transfer of Church Membership. Larry and Sandra attend the JOY Sunday School Class.

Maximized Living Nutrition Seminar:

Maximized Living means maximized nutrition. Are you concerned about what you put in your body and how it helps (or hinders) your overall wellness? Is your food an obstacle in your body's healing process? Are you eating the optimal foods for balance and wholeness? The Recreation Ministry would like to host a Nutrition Seminar if there is enough interest. The seminar would be taught by Maximized Living Doctors Charlie Francis and Lonnie Bagwell from Charlotte. We need at least 10 commitments in order to schedule the seminar. If you would be interested in attending, please sign up in the main hallway. See Robbie for more details.

STUDENT MINISTRY: Robbie Foreman

e-mail: Robbie@CBCLancaster.org
www.smcovenant.org

Sunday School Teacher Sabbatical: All high school Sunday School classes will meet as one class through the month of July in order to give teachers a break. Sunday School will be taught by Robbie in the Student Room. Our middle school teachers wish to continue teaching through July; therefore, middle school classes will stay the same.

Icthus Summer Camp 2008 - August 4-8th: We will be heading up to Bryson City, NC again this year for our summer camp. Our theme is Ultimate Faith Challenge. We will be white water rafting, hiking and doing some other fun activities. We will team up with First Baptist Church of Dillon this summer. Sign up outside the student room. The cost is \$165.00. A non-refundable deposit of \$82.50 is due by July 12th with the balance due by August 3rd.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Tim Howard

e-mail: Tim@CBCLancaster.org

Promise Keepers Conference:

There will be a Promise Keepers Conference in Atlanta, GA, on August 1 & 2. The cost is \$90 per person. There is a 10% group discount for a group of 11 to 24. A 15% discount is offered if there are more than 25. Additional costs not included are fuel, food and lodging. Sign up in the main hallway to see who and how many are interested in this men's outing.

MINISTRY SPOT LIGHT

The **Technology Team** shall be responsible for the computer and networking systems of the church. They will evaluate our present system, recommend changes or upgrades, make budget recommendations for the purchase of new equipment, and purchase new equipment. They will provide assistance in the maintenance of the system and general guidance in the day to day operations.

Ministry Team Sign Up:

Our Spiritual Gifts Committee has been working very hard these last two months to secure leaders for our Ministry Teams. Most leaders are in place. Please commit to pray and seek which ministry team(s) that God is calling you to serve on and sign up for it in the main hallway.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Stephanie Williams

e-mail: Stephanie@CBCLancaster.org

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MEETING:

There will be a short meeting on Sunday, July 6th, prior to each service in Conference Room B for anyone involved in Children's Ministry. The meetings will start at 8:30 AM and 10:45 AM. It is a very important meeting, so please make every effort to attend at one of those times.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

General Fund Monthly Goal for June: \$56,150

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

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
Week #1	\$11,757	\$2,501
Week #2	14,963	1,880
Week #3	7,493	1,335
Week #4	7,750	1,910
Week #5	<u>11,515</u>	<u>1,811</u>
Monthly Total	\$53,478	\$9,437

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 6/29/08: Worship - 452 / Sunday School - 290

Week of 6/23/08: Wednesday - 48 / Small Groups - 24

DONATIONS: ...in memory of Kate Hughes by M/M Jerry Williams...in honor of Bob & Evelyn Leaphart for their 50th Wedding Anniversary by M/M Jerry Williams...in honor of Stephanie Williams by Richard Knight...in honor of Pat McManus by Lisa Kennington, Rena Livengood and Helga Penegar.

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 6

8:30 am Children's Ministry Meeting
8:45 am Pre-Service Music
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Coffee & Conversation
10:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Conversation with the Pastor
10:45 am Children's Ministry Meeting
11:00 am Traditional Worship
11:00 am Beyond Worship
5:00 pm Intercessory Prayer
6:00 pm Student Small Group

Tuesday, July 8

6:30 pm Stewardship Comm. Mtg.
6:30 pm Ladies Softball Game

Wednesday, July 9

5:15 pm Gym open for Students
6:00 pm Student Activities
6:30 pm Adult Prayer & Bible Study
Adult Small Groups
Wind Ensemble Practice
Camp Worship for Children
Nursery for Preschoolers
7:00 pm Student supper at Japan
7:15 pm *Chorale* Rehearsal

Thursday, July 10

9:00 am ESL Class
7:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
8:30 pm Ladies Softball Game

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

SUNDAY, JULY 6

Coffee Station:

Mike & Betty Kimbrell

Refreshment Station:

Family Matters SS Class

Greeters:

Lee & Tina Carter (9:00)
Bruce & Pam Sowell (11:00)

Worship Time Childcare:

9:00 am: Doris Hammond,
Michelle Woods, Sherry Chinn,
Angela Bryant, Samantha McCorkle

11:00 am: Joy Bowles, Carolyn
Steele, Darlene Denyer,
Stephanie Williams

Counting Team Rotation:

Bob Penegar, Darrell Young

Power Point Operators:

Robbie Foreman (9:00)
Cody Brown (11:00)

Sound Operators:

Chuck Funderburk (9:00)
Richard Band (11:00)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

Nursery Volunteers:

Karen ten Bensel (Room 301)

Sound:

Richard Band, Chuck Funderburk



Atlanta Braves Trip September 20-21

We will stay at the Doubletree Hotel in the Druid Hills area and attend two Braves games, a Saturday night game and a Sunday day game. Brochures are available in the hallway. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, August 31st.

Conversation With The Pastor

Our Pastor, Dr. Bert Welch, leads an informal sharing time each Sunday morning at 10:00 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!

CBC Rafting Trip August 22-23 On the French Broad River

Space on the river is limited and fills up very quickly. Act fast to book a seat by contacting Galen Williams at 704-764-5792 for more information. Rafting Cost is \$43.00 (plus lodging, food, etc.). Minimum age is 8. **The Deadline to register is July 20th.**

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Pastor	Bert Welch (283-1875 - 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
Interim Traditional Worship Leader	Jeanne Zaugg
Praise Team Accompanist	Kathy Wall
Interim Contemporary Worship Leader	Pete Lawry
Administrative Assistant	Pat Rutledge
Church Secretary	Gina Spencer
Church Hostess	Julie Dutton
Custodian	Joe Reuschling
Assistant Custodian	Georgia Yelton

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 6, 2008

Contemporary Worship - 9:00 A.M.

Message by Dr. Bert Welch

CRUCIAL QUESTIONS: *What Does God Consider Success?*

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

New Series: *One Prayer*

Teacher: Eric Kramer

Traditional Worship - 11:00 A.M.

Welcome & Prayer	Bert Welch
Introduction of the Burleys	Ronnie Wall
Hymn 6	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>
Stewardship Prayer	Tim Howard
Offertory	Jason Burley
Musical Offering	<i>Majesty and Glory</i> Chorale
Hymn 476	<i>Be Strong in the Lord</i>
Message	<i>What Does God Consider Success?</i> Bert Welch
Hymn of Response 282	<i>Living for Jesus</i>
Presentation of Decisions	Bert Welch
Called Family Forum	
Closing Prayer	

A nursery is provided for Birth-age 4 in the Preschool Area.

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.