



Sunday, December 21, 2025

Please complete the Worship Response Card (WRC) in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate to express interest, submit a prayer request, update your contact information or to sign up for an opportunity.

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Christmas Eve Children's Play

Wednesday, December 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Celebrate Christmas with joy and wonder! All are invited to hear the story of Jesus' birth told by our children, sing beloved carols, and join in worship. Members of the congregation will help bring the story to life with various roles (including sheep, donkeys, angels, and kings) as our Kindergarten and five-year-olds lead us through the nativity. After worship, continue the celebration outside with a live petting zoo, cupcakes, hot chocolate, and a festive photo booth. A sensory-friendly viewing of the service will also be available in the chapel, and therapy bunnies will visit in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who might benefit from a quieter and more sensory friendly environment.

Christmas Eve Worship Services

10:00 a.m. Children's Service in the Sanctuary

3:00 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service in the Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve Service in the Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve Service in the Chapel

**See all holiday events listed on our Advent
Calendar at covenantpresby.org/advent**

Texas Hash & Cookies for Roof Above

Tuesday, December 30th

Join us to serve an evening meal featuring Texas Hash to our neighbors at Roof Above. Hash and desserts are needed to help with this ministry! This is a great way for families to be involved and help our neighbors - make an extra batch of cookies while you are doing your holiday baking. Write "Hash" on your WRC to sign up to volunteer to serve or prepare food.

Apply to be a People In Mission summer intern!

This summer, come practice faith with your feet on the ground.

Covenant's People in Mission summer program invites college students to step into the life of the city partnering with mission organizations across Charlotte, learning alongside neighbors, and working closely with members of Covenant's Mission & Outreach team. It's shared work, honest questions, and the slow, sacred work of showing up. If you're curious about ministry, justice, community, or how faith takes shape beyond the classroom.... this might be for you! Write "PIM" on your WRC to learn more.

Father Gregory Boyle joins us on January 4

We are delighted to welcome Father Greg Boyle to Covenant for a morning of inspiration and reflection in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. followed by preaching at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Known for his transformative work with Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, Boyle invites us to consider what it means to mend the gaps between us through compassion, kinship, and the boundless mercy of God.

New Open Table Series starting in January

Never Enough: When Achievement Culture Becomes Toxic — And What We Can Do About It

Wednesday, January 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a four-week series based on Jennifer Breheny Wallace's acclaimed book, beginning with a panel conversation to introduce the book's central themes, followed by three weeks of peer-based discussion groups designed to foster honest reflection and community support.

Men's and Women's Retreat Registration is Live!

Women's Retreat 2026

February 6-8, 2026

Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton Greenville

Downtown RiverPlace, Greenville, SC

Join Covenant friends for a rejuvenating weekend of self-discovery. Escape the hustle and bustle of daily life and immerse yourself in nature, spiritual practice, and fellowship. We will be joined by Grace Lindvall as our retreat leader. Write "Women's Retreat" on your WRC for more information.

Men's Getaway 2026

March 27-29, 2026

Location: Kanuga Inn & Lodging, Hendersonville, NC

Whether you're a father, brother, husband, or a single man, you're invited to step back from daily demands to enjoy a weekend of fellowship, conversation, & good food in the beautiful city of Henderson. Write "Men's Retreat" on your WRC for more information.

2026 Stewardship and 2025 Giving Update

As of December 15, we have reached 76% of our 2026 pledged giving goal. We encourage you to declare your 2026 pledge and to fulfill your 2025 pledge to support Covenant's vibrant ministries.

2025 Giving to Date

	2025 Goal	Current Receipts*	Outstanding
Pledge Receipts	\$3,540,980	\$3,166,491	-\$374,489
Non-Pledged Giving	\$290,000	\$294,919	\$4,919
TOTAL	\$3,830,980	\$3,461,410	-\$369,570

**as of December 15, 2025*