

Sunday, July 27, 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.

Pathways of Discipleship

Sunday, August 3, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel (no zoom) Recordings will be available on YouTube the following Tuesday
On Sunday, August 3, we are joined by several members of
Covenant who carry stories related to the desegregation of schools in Charlotte. Doug Sanders, Mark Folk, and Mitzi Folk join us to speak on the days leading up to desegregation, the first days and immediate aftermath, as well as the long-term process of school integration and equity in education. As we continue exploring various pathways of discipleship, this conversation will invite us to consider the meeting place of discipleship and justice.

Join a "Class Team" for Children's Sunday School

Calling all parents and supporters of Children's Ministry! We are making exciting changes and we'd love your joyful participation! We are looking to create Sunday School teacher teams for next school year. Each class will have a "class team" who will rotate teaching and communicating with the class. Would you like to be part of this important team? The more the merrier! We believe this structure will strengthen relationships between our children and adults. Write "Class Team" on your WRC if you're interested, or have any questions!

Youth Leadership Recruitment

Wednesday, August 20, 6:00 p.m. | Location TBD

Our Covenant Youth want to share their faith and see how we
— or an adult of any age and life stage — can support and guide them in their faith journey. Join the youth for dinner and worship, and learn how God is calling us to contribute our gifts to this beautiful, fun, and growing community. Attending this event is an opportunity for conversation, not a binding commitment.

Write "Youth Leadership" on your WRC to learn more.

Operation Sandwich for Roof Above

Drop off Monday, August 4 from 10:00 - 10:30 a.m., Welcome Center Looking for a family-friendly volunteer activity this summer? Sign up to make 25 sandwiches or donate a case of bottled water for Roof Above. Write "Sandwiches" on your WRC to sign up.

Installation Service for Serenitye Taylor

Sunday, August 10

During 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Celebrate this special day in the life of our church as Serenitye Taylor is installed as Associate Minister for Congregational Life. All are invited to join us at 11:00 a.m. for worship and the installation, followed by a reception in the Welcome Center.

College and Seminary Scholarships

Download applications at: covenantpresby.org/scholarships

At Covenant, we've been proud to support college students for many years through the Douglas E. Matthias Scholarship Program.

This program offers need-based scholarships to help graduating high school seniors and college freshmen take the next step in their education. We also provide scholarships for students attending

Union Presbyterian Seminary, as well as for those pursuing graduate studies that prepare them for a life of Christian service.

Kickoff Sunday with Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 24

Sign up to volunteer, bring desserts, or buy backpack supplies at covenantpresby.org/sunday-events

Join us for a joyful day as we launch into the new theme for the year and celebrate the Blessing of the Backpacks! Backpacks will be presented in the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship in the sanctuary.

Lunch & Fellowship 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Activities 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Kickoff activities include:

- · Potluck lunch
- · Live music by Ellie Morgan
- · Games for all ages
- · Bounce house fun
- Snow cones

School Supply Donations drop off by August 17

Blessing of the Backpacks is right around the corner! Through this annual event, students at Highland Renaissance Academy and Crossnore Elementary School will start the year with a backpack filled with school supplies. To join in this beloved tradition, drop any of the following items in Mission and Outreach bins in the Welcome Center.

- Washable markers (Crayola 12 count)
- Crayons (Crayola 24 count box)
- School glue (liquid in 4 oz bottle) and glue sticks
- Scissors (5" blunt tip)
- Pencils (12 pack, pre sharpened)
- + Composition notebook (wide rule)
- Pocket folders
- Notebook paper (wide rule)