

# ECHOES ECHOES

June, 2019

**We Invite  
We Welcome  
We Nurture  
We Serve**



## From the Pastor's Desk...

By Pastor Quentin Wallace



## Representing Team Jesus

*"I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message." (John 17:20)*

Every now and again I will wear the attire of my two favorite teams, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Baltimore Ravens. I like the team colors more than anything else. However, when I don these team hats and or clothing, people respond in one of two ways, positively or negatively. Either they begin to talk about key players or the overall performance and/or stats of the team with enthusiasm OR they see me as a rival and become offended when they see me proudly displaying Ravens or Steelers paraphernalia.

Because I am a nominal fan at best, I could not intelligently engage in the enthusiastic conversation or debate with those offended so I would simply nod in agreement or shrug my shoulders. Ultimately I had to consider how what I chose to wear made a difference in what people thought about me, or what message I may have been conveying.

In the John passage above, after Jesus prayed for his disciples, he began to also pray for the people his followers would lead to Christ through their witness. Thinking futuristically, Jesus knew the power of a positive impact on non-believers through the messages of faithful followers. As we travel this summer and interact with others, we may want to consider what we might intentionally display to point others to Christ.

Back to my story; in case you are wondering how it ended. Although I was wearing team paraphernalia primarily because I liked the colors, there was an expectation by other people that I was an avid fan when in fact I am not. Because I knew about this expectation, I began to watch the games and read the stats, so I might at least engage in a somewhat intelligent conversation around the teams for which I was wearing the team hats or t-shirts.

Taking a lesson from that we as believers should always be well versed in the Bible and prepared to share the message of Christ to whomever may inquire. Have a great summer.

## Sidelights

### COVENANT'S VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

Our Vision Statement: **Bringing Christ's Light into the Community and Beyond.**

Our Mission Statement: **We Invite, We Welcome, We Nurture, We Serve.**

Pastor Quentin's theme for 2019 is **Preparing for Increase.**

Please be in prayer for Covenant Church.

### CHILDREN'S DAY AND CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

The Second Sunday in June is recognized as Children's Day. We celebrate all of our children and youth and thank God for their presence and contribution to the life of Covenant Church. Additionally, we celebrate Kylie Stemmer, our confirmand. It is a blessing to see young people dedicate themselves to the Lord. Please celebrate with us in Bethany Hall on June 9th immediately following the 10:20 service. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering area to tell us what dish you would like to bring for our potluck brunch.

### FIRST FRIDAY FAMILY GAME NIGHT, JUNE 7 AT 5:30

Please join the Nurture Team for an evening for fun and games. All are welcome. There will be a meal and games for all ages. Please invite families in the community and in your neighborhood. Of course, all church members and their families are invited. We hope to see you there. It's easy to sign up. Just send an email to [covenantfirstfridays@gmail.com](mailto:covenantfirstfridays@gmail.com) or see

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### SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

The conference offers wonderful opportunities for our young people to get outdoors and fellowship with other young Christians within the safety of our Christian camps. There are four options in our conference: Gretna Glen, Camp Innabah, Pocono Plateau, and Carson Simpson Farms. Partial Scholarships are available for Covenant's children and youth. Please see Minister Brenda if interested. Additional information about each camp as well as the weekly offerings can be found at epaumc.org.

### MOOS FUNDRAISER

Save the date for the MOOS Fundraiser on Sunday, June 30. Grab some food at Isaac's from 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. that day and 25% of the proceeds goes to MOOS. Then at 6:30 p.m. Kevin Ressler, Executive Director Meals on Wheels of Lancaster, will speak at Covenant Church. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction to follow. More details to follow.

### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The Outreach Team needs your help! Occasionally church members call for transportation to doctor's appointments, medical treatments, etc. Pastor Sally is the coordinator for meeting these needs. If you are interested and willing to provide transportation as available, please let Pastor Sally know, and she will contact you as a need arises.

### SUPPORT OUTREACH

The Outreach Team will hold a bake sale on the same Saturday as the youth car wash, June 8 from 9-12 noon. Members are encouraged to bring donations of baked goods to the church on Friday morning (office open until noon) or early Saturday morning. Get a clean car and a delicious dessert all in the same morning!

## We Worship Together

**Sunday Services**      **9:00 am - Contemporary Worship**  
**10:20 am - Traditional Worship**

### June 2, 2019—7th Sunday in Easter

#### Holy Communion

Pastor Quentin will bring the message at the 9:00 am and 10:20 am services. Holy Communion will be observed. The Chancel Choir will provide the music for worship at 10:20. This will be the last Sunday for the Chancel Choir until September.

### June 9, 2019—Pentecost

#### Children's Sunday

#### Confirmation Sunday

Pastor Wallace will preach the message this Sunday at both services. Kylie Stemmer will be confirmed during the 10:20 service. Special music at the 10:20 service is Bill Kepner and the Millersville Flute Quartet.

### June 16, 2019—Trinity Sunday

#### Father's Day

Pastor Quentin will bring the message at the 9:00 a.m. and 10:20 a.m. services. Special music at 10:20 is Nadine Wethington and Catherine Wethington.

### June 23, 2019—2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor Wallace will preach the message at both the 9:00 a.m. & 10:20 a.m. services. Special music at 10:20 will be provided by Cindy Dale.

### June 30, 2019—3rd Sunday After Pentecost

Minister Santa Jenkins will offer the message at both the 9:00 a.m. & 10:20 a.m. services. Special music at 10:20 is Bud Hart.

### July 7, 2019—4th Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor Wallace will preach the message at both the 9:00 a.m. & 10:20 a.m. services. Brenton McGee will sing at the 10:20 service.

## June Volunteers

### June 2

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - Ruth Neuman & Brenda Roth; 10:00 - Lori Brown & Tina Butler  
Hallway Greeter: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: Cindy Dale

### June 9

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - Cindy & Bob Hean; 10:00 - Youth  
Hallway Greeter: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: Janice McElroy

### June 16

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - Mary Lou Hill; 10:00 - Sandy & Rev. Carrigan  
Hallway Greeters: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: Carol Brower

### June 23

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - Mee Schuler; 10:00 - Harold & Janice Ulmer  
Hallway Greeter: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: Minister Brenda Wallace

### June 30

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - TBD; 10:00 - Cathy Boyd & Bobbie Schwan  
Hallway Greeter: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: Cindy Hean

### July 7

Lobby Greeters: 8:40 - Ruth Neuman & Brenda Roth; 10:00 - Lori Brown & Tina Butler  
Hallway Greeter: 10:20 - TBD  
Anchorite: TBD

### Summer Ushers

Head Usher will recruit ushers each Sunday.

# Bible Trivia?

See how many of these challenging Bible questions you can answer. Answers can be found at the bottom of the page. Try not to look...and try not to laugh.

## QUESTIONS

1. What kind of man was Boaz before he married?
2. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?
3. What was the greatest female financier in the Bible?
4. What kind of motor vehicles are in the Bible?
5. Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?
6. What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?
7. Which servant of God was the most flagrant lawbreaker in the Bible?
8. Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy?
9. Who is the greatest baby sitter mentioned in the Bible?
10. Which Bible character had no parents?

*Looking back over the years, I realize the Bible isn't magic, but it is corrective; it isn't an answer book, it is a living book; it isn't a fix-it book, it is relationship book. When I confront God's word, I am confronted; when I read God's word, it reads me; when I seek God's presence, He seeks me.*

*-Mike Yaconelli,*

*pastor, theologian, and author of*

## ANSWERS

1. Ruthless
2. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.
3. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.
4. Jehovah drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden in a Fury. David's Triumph was heard throughout the land. Also, probably a Honda, because the apostles were all in one Accord.
5. Samson. He brought the house down.
6. Your mother ate us out of house and home.
7. Moses. He broke all 10 commandments at once.
8. The area around Jordan. The banks were always overflowing.
9. 3David. He rocked Goliath to a very deep sleep.

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### YOUTH CAR WASH SCHEDULED

Is your car looking a little dirty? Come out to Covenant's parking lot on Saturday, June 8, from 9 am-12 noon and the youth will make it bright and

shiny. This fundraiser supports the youth ministry.

### NOTES OF THANKS

Ann Evans would like to thank the members of the congregation who remembered her 99th birthday. She would also like to thank the church for the lovely tulip plant delivered by

Wanda and Patrick Snyder.

### SUMMER NEWS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our children and youth programming will shift for the summer. Both Children's Sunday School and Connect! will take a summer break beginning June 16th. They will resume on September 8th. Minister Santa will lead a Children's/Youth Worship service at 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The nursery room will remain open at 10:20 during the summer. If you would like to join our team of teachers and/or

nursery workers for the upcoming year, please see Minister Brenda.

### JUNE OFFICE HOUR CHANGES

The church office will be closed on Fridays, June 7, June 21, and July 5. The office will close at 12 noon on

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### UMW READING PROGRAM

The UMW Reading Program was in full swing after our January Winter Breakfast. Thank you to all the ladies who started to read. Now we need you to continue and return any books that you have finished. All the books are on a separate shelf in the Library (on the wall with the windows). The sign up sheet is there. Remember to read a *Response* magazine that is also on that shelf.

At this year's Annual meeting we would like to submit a list of women from Covenant who have completed the program by reading one book from each category and the *Response* magazine. There are papers on the UMW shelf to help you track your reading. All reading lists must be returned to Chris Kimmich or Cindy Smith by Sunday, September 15th. Happy Reading! .

### JOIN A PRAYER GROUP

You are invited to join the Wednesday Prayer Group, which meets each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., (please note the change in time) or the conference call prayer group that meets every Friday morning at 6:00 a.m. via the phone. Just dial 1-605-313-5107, and enter the code 202700#.

### GROCERY CARDS

Support our Outreach Team and Outreach Ministries by purchasing a grocery card at the table in the lobby. Cards can be purchased on the first and third Sunday of each month. By using the card, a percentage of your purchase price returns to the church.

### NURSERY AVAILABLE

The nursery is now fully staffed during our 10:20 service. Please feel free to bring your infants, toddlers, and preschoolers to the nursery on the 2nd



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## Covenant Members in Business

### Aunt Sandy's Attic

Sandy Leonard  
Antiques, Collectibles, Books, Art, etc.  
545 W. Market Street, Marietta, PA 17547  
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Kristen Stemmer, 875.4014  
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Roger Kresge, 299.4613 or  
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Richard B. MacDonald  
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Roger J. Willard  
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717.872.7561 or willardhypnosis.com



# Financial Update

The Finance Team wishes to keep the Covenant Family up to date on the state of our church finances. Please review the information carefully and use it as you prayerfully consider your stewardship—your time, talents, and resources—in support of Covenant Church. If you have questions regarding the report, please feel free to contact any member of the Finance Team.

Below are Income and Expenses for April 2019 which represents 33% of the year				
	Budget	April YTD Actuals	Percentage of Budget	
<b>INCOME</b>				
Envelope Offering	\$305,000.00	\$98,884.40	32%	
Plate Offering	\$3,000.00	\$968.75	32%	
Special Offerings	\$8,850.00	\$4,035.75	46%	
Trusts	\$18,600.00	\$7,021.02	38%	
Parking Lot	\$23,000.00	\$14,358.00	62%	
Use of Bldg	\$1,500.00	\$435.00	29%	
Day Care	\$10,000.00	\$3,000.00	30%	
Miscellaneous	\$5,500.00	\$590.50	11%	
BB&T	\$120,486.00	\$0.00	0%	
	<b>\$495,936.00</b>	<b>\$129,293.42</b>	<b>26%</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Missions & Benevolence	\$53,268.00	\$17,756.08	33%	
Evangelism	\$600.00	\$0.00	0%	
Christian Education	\$3,100.00	\$417.36	13%	
Outreach	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	0%	
Worship	\$2,385.00	\$401.19	17%	
Program Administration	\$23,150.00	\$8,986.03	39%	
Personnel	\$293,451.00	\$97,440.48	33%	
Property	\$118,482.00	\$41,749.98	35%	
	<b>\$495,936.00</b>	<b>\$166,751.12</b>	<b>34%</b>	

# Here's To Good Health!

This month I want to share some tips on how to minimize mosquito bites while you are out and about this summer.

First, you need to eliminate their breeding ground. That means getting rid of standing water. I have two watering cans that I check on after we have rain. You also need to change water in birdbaths and fountains at least once a week. If you have outdoor buckets turn them over so they don't collect rain water. Do you have anything else that could collect rain water sitting around? Check those items after rain.

Also think about using yellow bug lights for outdoor lighting. Yellow lights may be less attractive to mosquitoes than ordinary lights.

Most mosquitoes are most active at sunrise, sunset, and early evening. So, if you are heading out to enjoy time on the deck, here are some tips to help you stay hopefully bite free.



Use mosquito repellents that contain DEET. Don't apply repellent under clothing or to rashes, cuts, or sunburns, and always avoid your eyes and mouth.

If you are using sunscreen, apply it before insect repellent. Repellents can lessen the effect of sunscreen. Remember to use a sunscreen with a higher SPF.

Are you going out in the woods? You might want to think about wearing long sleeves and pants. If you are tent camping, remember to keep tents zipped and tears repaired.

Have a great time enjoying God's outdoor creation, and hopefully it will be mosquito bite free!

Cindy Smith  
Wellness coach

# JUNE CALENDAR

## Regular Events (Unless Otherwise Noted)

- MOOS, 7am
- Prayer Group, Wednesdays, 10:15am
- Chancel Choir, Wednesdays, 7pm
- Praise Team, Thursdays, 7pm
- Prayer Group, Fridays, 6am

### 6/4, Tuesday

- Opera Lancaster Board meeting, 6pm
- Child Care Board meeting, 6:30pm
- Opera Lancaster Chorus rehearsal, 7pm

### 6/5, Wednesday

- Chancel Choir Banquet, 6pm

### 6/7, Friday

- Church Office Closed
- First Friday Family Fun Night, 5:30pm

### 6/8, Saturday

- Youth Car Wash/Outreach Bake Sale, 9am

### 6/10, Monday

- Church Office closes at noon

### 6/11, Tuesday

- Leadership Team meeting, 7pm

### 6/13, Thursday

- Annual Conference through 6/15

### 6/15, Saturday

- IMPACT! Missions workday, 9am

### 6/18, Tuesday

- Trustee Board meeting, 7pm
- Opera Lancaster Chorus rehearsal, 7pm

### 6/22, Saturday

- Men's Fellowship Breakfast, 7:30am

### 6/24, Monday

- Church Office closes at noon

### 6/25, Tuesday

- Church Office closes at noon

### 6/30, Sunday

- MOOS Fundraiser at Isaac's, 5-9pm

### 7/4 & 7/5, Thursday & Friday

- Church Office closed

### 7/6, Saturday

- Care & Share Breakfast, 8:30am

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