

# The Covenant Chronicle

June 2026



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

About twenty years ago, I began regularly preaching from the Old Testament during summer and autumn. I came to this practice when I was reflecting on 2 Timothy 3:16-17, “All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,<sup>17</sup> so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.” As I considered these verses, I realized that Paul was talking about the Old Testament and not the New, when he was writing “all Scripture.” His preaching and teaching, as well as the Apostles’s, drew heavily from the Torah, the writings like the Psalms, and the words of the Prophets.

With that in mind, I plan to start preaching in Genesis this summer. In doing so, I hope that you will become more familiar with the Old Testament, see the rich connection between it and the New Testament and how it points to Jesus as God’s Messiah and our Redeemer. I hope that you will see greater value in reading and studying it and will learn how to apply it to our Christian faith.

God bless,

Pastor Keith

## *Mission Statement*

*We, the Evangelical Covenant Church of Paxton, Illinois, will seek to bring the people of our community and throughout the world to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ because God calls us to do so. In all we do we will serve Christ through individual talents working together to nurture each other in the faith and in Christian love.*

## Summer Worship Hours

Our Summer Worship hours began Sunday, May 31. Worship service will begin at 9:30am and Sunday School classes will not be in session.

VBS began Sunday, May 31 from 6-8pm and will continue through every Sunday in June. VBS is open to kids ages 3 (turned 3 by 9/1/25) through 5th grade.



**living|alternatives**  
pregnancy resource center

Sunday, June 14 we will have guest speaker, Brandi Pierce here from Living Alternatives to share about their ministry. Joining her will be a resident of Merci's Refuge that will share some of her story and how Merci's Refuge has helped her.



 **JUNE**  
**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 2 Gavin Kief  
Trixie Johnson
- 4 Josh Brocato
- 6 Carey Burklund  
Donna Howe
- 7 Pat Anderson
- 10 Andy Schaumburg  
Rachel Albers
- 19 Atley Alred
- 22 Keagan Busboom  
Julie Edwards
- 25 Alex Jones
- 27 Kailyn Kleinsteiber
- 28 Hillary Sawyer  
Maci Stafford
  
- 7 Jake & Lindsey Gerdes
- 8 Glen & Nikki Foss  
Craig & Janet Loschen
- 10 Mark & Pat Anderson
- 14 Joe & Hillary Sawyer
- 16 Andy & Jena Schaumburg
- 21 Darrell & Janet Abrahamson
- 28 Mike & Amanda Nelson

**June Ministry Volunteers**

**Scripture Readers**

- 7 Alaina Kief
- 14 Willow Jones
- 21 Janet Loschen
- 28 Joe Sawyer

**Ushers**

- 7 Glen Foss, Melanie Harms
- 14 Jesse Balk, Ahlden Harms
- 21 Matt & Amy Jones, Diane Gustafson
- 28 Roger Gustafson, Jeff Shaffer



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