



May 17, 2026

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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Quest Class of 2026

This group of eighth graders presented their faith statements to Session following a time of exploring their faith and making it their own. With guidance from mentors, Sunday School leaders, and Andy Wertz, middle school youth director, the Quest Class of 2026 now joyfully joins the church. Thank you to the families, leaders, mentors, and congregation who encouraged, supported, and walked alongside these Questers throughout the process:

Mia Anderson (Sarah Gaither), William Askins (Will Adams), Elias Belmadani (Dylan Welchman), Sabrina Baldwin-Frost (Ariel McBryde-Gritter), Sullivan Brown (Susie Vincent), Liana Deese (Allison Hoffman), Anna Corbin Haughton (Amy Capitano), Campbell Harvey (Tim Kendrick), Brantly Hicks (Megan Baer), Elsie Huneycutt (Suzanne McNichol), Annabel Isaacs (Jordan Benoit), Anna Jenkins (Patty Babb), Ethan Jones (John Schuller), Nico Karagosian (Don Lampke), Pate McIntyre (Stephanie Thimons), Will Mulcahy (Paul Miller), Garrett Murchison (Chuck Morgan), Suzanne Nesbitt (Jessica Hindman), Lily Riley (Elizabeth Stallings), Eleanor Sloan (Maddie Sowers), Fiona Stewart (Lacy King), Robyn Walters (LeAnne Stipp), Avery Watson (Betsy Kite), Haines Williams (Sandra Boozer), Nikolas Williams (Will Gaston).

Middle School Youth Council: Sarah Gaither, Katie Hunt, Sharon Jones, Jackie Pharr, John Schuller, and Sarah Shumate.

Elder Nominations Open

Nominations due by June 14

The Elder Nominating Committee is seeking nominees for Elder and Youth Elder. The church will elect 10 adults and two youths for terms beginning in January 2027. The congregation is invited to submit nominations, starting May 13, directly to the Elder Nominating Committee on Covenant's website (www.covenantpresby.org/enc) or by mailing a copy of the form found on the website to the church.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

c/o Elder Nominations, Attn. Lynne Koeniger

1000 E. Morehead St., Charlotte, NC 28204

2026 Elder Nominating Committee:

Janet Delery (chair), Bill Fryling, Betty Graybeal, Phil Koonce, Randy Ripple, Walker Robinson, Erin Weeks, Sarah Wilson

Summer Worship Schedule

After this Sunday, the 8:45 a.m. service and the 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Family Service will be on summer break until after Labor Day. On May 24, there will be one service at 11:00 a.m. (traditional).

Steeple Repairs

After 70 years of exposure to the elements, portions of the interior structure of Covenant's steeple have deteriorated and need repair. Upon consultation with a respected structural engineering company and their roofing partner, we have a plan for repairs that will be completed in 2 phases. Phase one begins this summer and will include replacing the upper-level wood deck with metal grating and adding steel supports. We expect the repairs to take several weeks to complete. The second phase is planned for 2027. After the completion of repairs, it is our vision that the steeple will continue to be a beacon to the city, inviting all into a vibrant and transformative faith community.

Our Contemporary Worship

Program is recruiting!

We are looking for volunteers to serve in a variety of roles including:

Worship team (vocals/instruments)

Audio/Visual crew

Worship Arts logistics team (helping install banners & other elements)

Livestream crew (camera operations, slides)

No experience is necessary. We are looking for folks who have a servant's heart and a willingness to learn. If you're interested in serving in any of these areas, write "worship volunteer" on your WRC or contact Jessica Borgnis.

Testing Volunteers Needed at Highland

May 28, May 29, June 2, June 4, June 5, June 8

8:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Help Highland scholars shine during end of grade testing!

Volunteers are needed to serve as test proctors during EOG testing dates. Training is provided on test day.

Write "EOG volunteer" on your WRC to sign up.

Children's Ministry News

**Now Hiring: Co-Director of Children's Ministries,
Recruitment and Relationships**

Covenant is seeking to fill the position of Co-Director of Children's Ministries. This role focuses on building teams of volunteers, nurturing relationships in children's ministry, and overseeing an exciting children's ministry program. The position description and application instructions can be found at covenantpresby.org/job-openings.