



September 20, 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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Open Table on Wednesday Nights

Open Table Dinners, prepared by Chef Johnny, are served from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Programming is available for children, youth and adults. Online reservations and pre-payment for dinner close each Tuesday at noon. After that time, you can simply walk in and pay for your meal. For those who do not reserve and pre-pay by Tuesday at noon, the cost of dinner will be an additional \$1.

Congregational Meeting

Today at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

A congregational meeting has been called for the following purposes:

To hear a report from the Elder Nominating Committee and to elect 10 adult elders to the Session class of 2029, elect two youth elders to serve a one-year term, and to elect those qualified and accepting of status of Elder Emeritus/Emerita.

To mark the conclusion of Bob Henderson's ministry Covenant, consistent with the requirements of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Order and affirming action already taken by the Charlotte Presbytery, to dissolve the pastoral relationship with the Reverend Dr. Robert Henderson, effective September 15, 2026.

The Elder Nominating Committee has developed a slate of nominees, which can be found in the Fall newsletter.

Nominations may also be made from the floor; nominees must consent to serve and be present at the meeting.

Nominees: Lilli Gerardi, Meagan Lineberger, Ann Manning, Alex McKinnon, Paul Steffens*, Helen Richards*, Scott Roehrig*, Mike Smith, Tricia Smith*, Farah Lisa Walker, Gracie Crockford (youth), Lilly Murchison (youth), and Claire Welchman Trexler (elder emerita).

Starting Point

Sunday, September 27, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor

Interested in joining Covenant or just curious about the church? Please join us for casual conversation, coffee, and light breakfast. Childcare will be available, and children are always welcome. Questions? Contact Lora Borrelli at lora.borrelli@covenantpresby.org, or write "Starting Point" on your WRC.

Men's Getaway Informational Breakfast

Sunday, September 27, 8:30–9:15 a.m., FH 107 A&B

Join us to hear more about our annual Men's Getaway event, scheduled for March 12-14, 2027. You'll learn about our new event venue at Lake Junaluska, hear from past members about what the Getaway means to them, and share your ideas and hopes for the weekend. Write "Men's Breakfast" on your WRC to RSVP.

Blood Drive

Today, 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

The OneBlood Big Red Bus is at Covenant today! Every two seconds, someone needs blood, and one donation can help up to three patients in local hospitals. Donating is quick, safe, and easy, and walk-ins are welcome.

Expressions of Faith

Creating as a Spiritual Practice

Wednesday, September 23; FH 207 A&B, 6:30 – 7:30. p.m.

Come join with others as we experience creative pursuits through a lens of faith.

Join Michelle McDevitt-Askew, NCLMFT, for SoulCollage – an intuitive, expressive arts practice using simple materials like 5x8-inch mat boards, magazines, scissors, and glue.

Walk with Ease

*Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Sept. 22 -
early Nov., 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., FH 203*

Looking for a gentle way to move more, feel steadier, and connect with others? Join us this fall for Walk With Ease, an evidence-based program from the Arthritis Foundation. Each session includes health education, stretching and strengthening exercises, motivational tips, and of course, walking! It's appropriate for anyone who wants to build a sustainable walking routine, reduce pain, and improve balance and strength. Write "Walk with Ease" on your WRC for more information.

Uptown Bible Study

Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m., Foundation For The Carolinas

Take a break from the workday for Scripture, conversation, and reflection. This fall, Uptown Bible Study begins with four weeks exploring Jonah and themes of mercy, assumptions, and compassion. No preparation is needed. Bring your lunch and join us whenever your schedule allows! To learn more, write "Bible Study" on your WRC.

Ordination Service for Courtney Shudak

All are invited to attend the ordination service for Courtney Shudak today at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Texas Hash & Homemade Treats Needed!

Texas Hash is coming up September 29, and we need lots of homemade hash and desserts to make it happen! Sign up to cook a batch or bake cookies and drop them off by September 27, or sign up to serve dinner. Write "Texas Hash" on your WRC to sign up.