



October 4, 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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Mah Jongg After Church

Sundays, October 4, 11, 18 and 25, 12:00–2:00 p.m., Welcome Center

Head over to the Welcome Center after 11:00 a.m. worship for Mah Jongg! All skill levels are welcome to join us. Please bring your 2026 card; we have some extras available. Feel free to bring a snack to share! Write “Mah Jongg” on your WRC to sign up.

YA Serves at Elder Dinner – Sign Up to Volunteer!

Monday, October 12, 5:00–8:30 p.m.

The Elder Dinner offers an opportunity for Covenant Elders (lay leaders in the congregation) to gather, share a meal, and participate in a program that touches on the state of the church, new initiatives taking place, and a vision for our future together. Historically,

Young Adults have volunteered to serve at the dinner, which is a beautiful way of gathering together past, present, and future leaders of the church. To volunteer, write “Elder Dinner” on your WRC.

TLC Trip to Hendersonville, NC

Wednesday, October 14, departing Covenant at 8:30 a.m.

Come join TLC for a mountain trip to Hendersonville, NC, to purchase apples, pumpkins, jellies, bakery items, cider and more at Grandad's Apples N' Such. We will travel by bus and return that afternoon between 3:00–4:00 p.m. Lunch will be on your own nearby at Bay Breeze Restaurant. Join your friends and meet new ones as we enjoy the day together! Cost is \$20 per person for bus and fuel expenses, plus lunch. Space is limited, so make your reservation by October 7. To register, write “TLC Trip” on your WRC.

Vaccine Clinics Coming in October

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21 and 28, 3:30–6:00 p.m., and

Sunday, October 11, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Welcome Center

We are making it easy for you again this fall by offering vaccine clinics at Covenant throughout October. Flu (Flucelvax and mFLUSIVA for those 50+), COVID (Moderna mNexSPIKE), and RSV vaccines will be available, with pneumonia and shingles vaccines available by request. Vaccines are available for ages 7 and older. Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are also welcome. To sign up for an appointment, write “Vaccines” on your WRC.

Welcome the Stranger – Put Your Faith into Action on Immigration

Wednesday October 7 & 14, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall 207

This fall, we will explore what it means to “welcome the stranger in your land” as scripture calls us to do. We’ll sit down with local nonprofits, including Refugee Resettlement Agency, Carolina Migrant Network, and Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy, for conversations about the realities facing our refugee and immigrant neighbors and practical, faithful ways we can respond.

Young Adult Retreat

October 9–11, Dreaming Stone Arts and Ecology Center, Rutherfordton, NC

Whether you have joined us for a retreat before, are familiar with Covenant YA, or are just beginning to explore Covenant and its young adult community, we would love to have you join us for a weekend of rest, renewal, community, and growth. Space is limited.

To register or learn more, write “YA Retreat” on your WRC.

Pet Remembrance Gathering

Sunday, October 11, 10:30–10:55 a.m. in the Chapel

Those who have experienced the loss of a beloved pet are invited to gather for a time of remembrance. Bring a photo or remembrance of your pet as we come together to honor the animals who have been an important part of our lives. Please bring photos or remembrances to the Chapel between 10:00 and 10:30 a.m., prior to the gathering.

Volunteer to Help Make Trunk or Treat a Success!

Wednesday, October 28

We’re looking for volunteers to decorate their cars and join us for our upcoming Trunk or Treat Halloween Festival. If you’re interested in decorating your car and handing out candy, we’d love to have you join the fun! To volunteer, write “Trunk or Treat” on your WRC.

Highland Renaissance Academy Read-a-Thon

Thursday, October 29

Highland Renaissance Academy is hosting its annual Read-a-Thon, and you’re invited to join in the fun! Morning and afternoon reading sessions are available, and times can be adjusted to fit your schedule. To sign up to read, write “Read-a-Thon” on your WRC.

Men’s Getaway Registration Is Now Open

March 12–14, 2027, Lake Junaluska, NC

Registration is now open for the 2027 Men’s Getaway. Join men from across Covenant and every stage of life for a weekend away at Lake Junaluska, with golf, hiking, worship, great conversation, and plenty of time to relax and connect. Register by November 2 to receive 10% off with Early Bird pricing. To register or learn more, write “Men’s Getaway” on your WRC.