



COVENANT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*...a place to belong
...a place to believe
...a place to become*

Established as a local congregation in 1884, we are grateful to God for the opportunity He has given us to serve Jesus Christ among the people of Easton and the surrounding communities.

For Your Information:

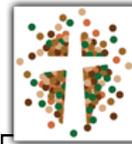
- Assistive listening devices are available in the narthex by the Sound Room.
- Nursery care is provided downstairs for infants through kindergarten-aged children.
- A parent/infant room may be accessed through the library off of the narthex.
- Large print copies of the worship bulletin and hymns are available from the ushers.
- White offering envelopes are available in the pews each week for donations to our Benevolence Fund, which allows us to support each other in times of financial need.

Lead Pastor: Jason O. Mohn
Director of Children's Ministries: Missy Burton
Choir Director: Ginny Elson
Interim Ministry Associate: Sheri Anderson
Office Manager: Nancy Sullivan
Piano: Alice Fu
Organ: Susan Santry

For more information, please see Weekly Email Blast or The Monthly Newsletter called The Tidings or visit our website at www.ecovchurch.org

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Announcements for the Week of August 6, 2017

The Week Ahead

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| Sunday | 7:30 p.m. | Basketball (Activity Center) |
| Monday | 7:00 p.m. | Men's Bible Study (FS) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Knitting (Lib) |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. | Yoga (Narthex) |
| Thursday | 7:30 p.m. | Prayer Hour |
| Sunday | 9:30 a.m. | Summer Worship Gathering |

Ministry Updates

- **VBS - Hero Central Prayer Walk**—We are inviting everyone to participate in a Prayer Walk around the church for VBS. Please take a few moments to go on a Prayer Walk, **Aug 6 or Aug 13**. The information is on the table in the narthex. **VBS** will be held **August 14-18**. Please contact Missy Burton if you can help at missy@ecovchurch.org.
- **Outdoor Worship on August 13th**
On Sunday, August 13th at 9:30 a.m., as we celebrate God's beautiful creation and Psalm 104, we will host our Sunday morning gathering in our Outdoor Chapel, located at the southeastern edge of our parking lot. This service will include worship songs, prayers, a short sermon and a pet blessing. Participants are encouraged to bring their pet(s) on a leash or in a secure enclosure, to bring an outdoor chair, and to dress appropriately for the weather.
- **Celebrating New Life!**—All are welcome to a Books & Blessings Brunch for baby Weston, son of Matt & Carrie Pearson, on **Saturday, August 12**, at 10 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Please bring a breakfast dish or goodie to share. All guests are welcome to bring a book or two to build little Wes's library, and to pick a Bible verse to bless him with (we'll be putting them into a scrapbook, so write it out on a notecard or paper and feel free to sign your name). RSVP to Rachel Mohn by phone or text at [774-300-1406](tel:774-300-1406) or email the church office.
- **Key Card Building Access**—If you are one of the few people who still has a metal key to the church building (and you are not on staff at the church), please turn in your key to the office and make the transition to using the key card for accessing the building. The paperwork for requesting a key card is available in the church office.
- **Take Two**—This week's 14 Psalms to be read start at Psalm 99 & 100 and go through Psalm 111 & 112.
- **Fall Women's Retreat**—The ECC Women's Ministry Leadership Team invites the women of our church to attend the annual fall retreat, being held Sept. 22-24 at Pilgrim Pines. This year's speaker is Pastor Linda Williams. During her talks titled "Fabvolution," women will learn what it means to be God's "works in progress," based on 2 Cor. 3:18. For registration information, pick up a flyer at the welcome table.

Prayers of Petition

- *Lynda Valenzuela's sister-in-law, Daisy*, passed away last week. Prayers for comfort and peace for the family.
- *Janet Linehan* is recovering after receiving a new kidney! Pray for healing for her as well as for blessing upon her donor's family.
- *Amanda Gauthier* is recovering from surgery. Pray that doctors can determine the cause of her pain.
- *Ernie Ortega's mother-in-law* had both a cardiac catheterization and an open heart surgery three weeks ago. Prayers for strength and healing.
- *Joanne Peters' daughter-in-law, Meredith*, was recently diagnosed with endometrioid cancer. She had surgery on July 5th. Prayers greatly appreciated.
- *Ray Gagnon's sister, Adele*, received news that her cancer has returned and is now in her lungs. Prayers for wisdom and healing.
- *Linda Clary's mother, Barbara Goetze*, suffered a stroke a few weeks ago. She was hospitalized, and is now recovering in a rehabilitation center in Baltimore, MD. Please pray for wisdom and for healing, and for peace for the family.
- *Metta Lyons* has suffered compression fractures in her back (as well as spinal stenosis) and is back at LifeCare Center (route 106 in W. Bridge-water).
- Dom and Kathy DiBattista's neighbor, *Dianne*, has awoken from her coma, and is currently able to breathe on her own. She will be entering rehab next week, and is appreciative of your prayers.
- Cathy Zelinski's brother *Buddy's* heart is on the mend with some lifestyle changes he's made. Another ablation will be attempted again soon. Cathy's sister *Alicia* is experiencing severe headaches after her neck surgery, but has been approved to re-start physical therapy and is able to drive for short periods of time. Continued prayer for healing is appreciated.
- *Linda Wainwright*, as she recovers from wrist surgery.
- *Elaine Lundberg*, as they adjust meds to control her AFib and monitor her COPD and kidney cancer.
- *Nancy, a friend of Karen McSherry*, fell on ice and broke her hip. She is recovering from a partial hip replacement. Prayers for healing and strength.
- *Kathy Kelly's* (Health teacher at EMS) *husband, Joe*, had a severe stroke which has affected his speech and right side of his body.
- Prayers for Heather Willis' brother, *Murray Johns and his family* as he is in an assisted care facility.

- *Cid Cidado* is home recovering. Prayers for strength and healing.
- *Tony Samaras*, Cheryl Opper's brother-in-law, who recently had heart surgery and is recovering in rehab
- *Phyllis Opper*, Cheryl's mother-in-law, who recently moved into memory care at Heights Crossing in Brockton.
- *Heather Edlund*, as she continues to recover.
- *Gail Thomas*, a friend of Linda and Bob Clary, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please pray for strength and healing during treatments.
- *Kelly Spencer*, whose 2 uncles are battling cancer.
- *Rebecca Carroll*, for emotional strength and healing.
- *Dianna Hammond*, who is receiving cancer treatment.
- *Mary Gallagher*, recovering from surgery for cancer.
- *Brian Edlund's brother Ron*, diagnosed with Parkinson's.

Prayers of Celebration & Thanksgiving

- *David Cudmore's daughter, Stephanie*, and her husband *Bob* welcomed a healthy baby girl, *Payton Olivia*, on Monday of last week! Praise the Lord!
- *Gil Lawson's*, *Cathy Zelinski's* dad, tests were normal. He is planning to come to MA/NJ for the summer to start plans for him and his wife to move back East.
- *Thomas Dennehy* has finally returned home after 21 days in the hospital! He is now home recovering from abdominal surgery. Thanks be to God! Please pray for continued healing.
- For our Vitality Team: *Beth Abreu*, *Sheri Anderson*, *Adam Buckley*, *Doug Falls*, *Tom Hyde*, *Laura Slomba*, and *Sandy Willette*.
- *Mary Daly* had a CT scan that revealed that her neck has healed.
- *Zachary*, *Ernie Ortega's* son, is 100% healed. *Carter*, *Ernie Ortega's* grandson, is doing very well too. Praise God!
- *Priscilla Driscoll* is now Cancer Free for over a year. God is good!
- *Cathy Zelinski's brother-in-law Dave* received news of his scan results and he is cancer free! Thanks be to God!

YTD Financials as of July 25, 2017

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| Income | \$165,825.45 |
| Expenses | \$171,596.79 |
| Net Deficit | (\$5,771.34) |