

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

USHERING TODAY ARE Martha Goble, and Keith Kallay. GREETING IS Janet Takayama.

**Children Are Welcome Here!** Children are always welcome to fully participate in worship. We invite children to join us up front in the Worship Center for various activities during the service.

### WE KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

Judy Bourne, Akeya Clark (Marie Jones's niece), Doug and Ruth Devin, Rolf (Crunch) Krotseng, Greg Madison, and Gabriel (Jenny Conner's grand-nephew). We pray for those struggling with illness, convalescing, or homebound; patients, family, and staff in our surrounding hospitals; our Interim Pastor Search Committee, and those who left prayer requests in our Carpenter's Box.

**Melanie Marsh Baum** is away and serving the larger church as a member of the keynote and worship team at Triennium, the gathering of Presbyterian youth from across the country, from July 12-19.

### SUMMER HYMNS | TELL US YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS!

Please contact Matthew Garrett at [MGarrett@CovenantWeb.org](mailto:MGarrett@CovenantWeb.org).

### CARILLON CONCERTS & TOWER TOURS | FRIDAYS | 12:15 – 12:45 pm

*Bring a lunch - bring a friend! Free parking in the Covenant lot.*

Tower tour following the concert. Program at [ucbells.org](http://ucbells.org).

### SUMMER DESSERTS FOR TRANSPLANT HOUSE

This summer we are again working with our mission partners, Transplant House, to provide desserts for the residents and their families. You can help by donating cash (\$11.50 buys one quart of ice cream), or providing treats to serve 12 people. Sign up in the church office. For more information, contact Mary Anne Bromelmeier.

### THIS WEEK AT COVENANT (JULY 15–20)

*Summer office hours are weekdays from 9 am until 4 pm.*

*Tuesday Bible Study is taking a summer break.*

**Monday:** No scheduled activities. **Tuesday:** Presbytery Meeting, Sonia Golden Room, 10 am; Cache Resale Shop, 10 am; Adult Education Committee, Office, 7 pm.

**Wednesday:** Staff Meeting, Office, 9:45 am; 12 Steps to Freedom, Beckwith, 5:30 pm; Ministry of Service, Office, 6 pm. **Thursday:** No scheduled activities. **Friday:** Carillon Concert, 12:15 pm. **Saturday:** No scheduled activities.

### FOOD COLLECTION | NEXT SUNDAY JULY 21 (THIRD SUNDAY)

Next Sunday we collect food for our Food Pantry. This is the third Sunday so food collected can be used in the bags distributed the last Wednesday and Friday of the month. The Pantry is also open Thursday afternoons for students, and for emergencies. **We can use jam or jelly, canned meat or Spam, canned chili, cereal (snack pack size), and canned vegetables.**

## BELIEVING GOD CALLS US TO BE PEACEMAKERS

Since a gunman opened fire at Sandy Hook Elementary School on December 14, 2012, killing 26 people, 20 of them children; 1,170 people in Cuyahoga County have been killed by guns. Since last month, 17 more individuals have died by gun violence in Cuyahoga County. The names of those at least 18 years of age are: Candace D. Baingull, Timothy John Miller, Justin Thomas Bim Powell, Damone Lamone Keith-Williams, Vincent E. Beasley, Daniel Asa Scott, Devin Devon Powers Sr., John J. Obergas, Marshall F. Johnson, Theodore L. Hester, Frankie Dwayne Jackson III, William J Paxton, Katherine Colby Brown, Carnell Sedge, Orlondo Thorn Jr., and Robert J. Troha. Eight of those who died were by suicide and one victim was under eighteen. Go to [GodBeforeGuns.org](http://GodBeforeGuns.org) to see how to get involved.

## THE MINISTRY OF FAITH FORMATION MEETING

Thank you to the more than fifteen members of the Covenant faith community who gathered for a Ministry of Faith Formation meeting on Tuesday June 25. After thanking Jenny Conner and Jim Smekal for their recent leadership, moderator Matthew Garrett facilitated a discussion. Outcomes included:

1. **Adult Education group** will meet on **July 16 at 7:00 pm** to plan for a series of Sunday Adult Forum Seminars and to think about additional opportunities for adult spiritual development.
2. **Music and Worship** is exploring the possibility of an interfaith peace observance this fall and considering ways that our weekly bulletin can speak more directly to the spiritual pulse of our church.

**You are invited** to get involved with one of these working groups by contacting **Matthew at [mgarrett@covenantweb.org](mailto:mgarrett@covenantweb.org)**.

## SHARE YOUR BULLETIN IDEAS!

The Ministry of Faith Formation would like to learn what you like about a worship bulletin. Share your thoughts and ideas with us in a variety of ways:

1. If you visit a church during your summer travels, bring a bulletin back with you and share it with MoFF. Let us know what you liked about the document.
2. If your out-of-town family worships at a church and they like their bulletin, ask them to share a copy (mail, online) so we can take a look at it.
3. Email [faithformation@covenantweb.org](mailto:faithformation@covenantweb.org) with ideas about what you like in a worship bulletin.

We hope to gather documents and ideas over the next month so we can explore ways to express who we are as a faith community through our weekly worship bulletin. Documents and accompanying notes may be left in the church office (MoFF mailbox is behind the receptionist desk). Thanks for your good ideas and for remembering MoFF during your summer travels!