

Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church

Covenant Groups 2007-2008

The Christian life is corporate. The Bible compares it to being a citizen in a kingdom, a soldier in an army, a member of a family, a part of a body, and a stone in a building. Jesus' great work of redemption on the cross was to provide a way for those who are excluded and outside to be brought into the fold and family of God. The corporate life of God's people is expressed by membership in and participation in the local church.

It is impossible for us to bring together different people—selfish, touchy, busy people—and make them one. This is supernatural work. The Holy Spirit brings them in and builds them together into a temple where God dwells and is praised. But even though the Holy Spirit does the work, we are called to cooperate with Him in this work.

One of the ways we have decided at Christ Covenant to cooperate with the Holy Spirit's work of building us together is through Covenant Groups. Covenant Groups are more than just Wednesday night meetings in homes, they are more like miniature churches. They provide an opportunity for you to get to know a small group of believers over the course of a year. These are the people you encourage, build up, and grow with in the faith.

What do Covenant Groups do? On Wednesday nights they often eat together, have an extended time of fellowship, read the Bible, discuss Sunday's sermon, and pray for each other. Throughout the week, groups care for each other in various ways—by committing to pray for challenges and struggles, by providing meals for members sick or grieving, and by encouraging phone calls and other contact. Through these things the Holy Spirit is at work, building us together to become a building in which God dwells.

If you are new at Christ Covenant, and have not been assigned to a group, we extend a special invitation to you to join one. The groups are always open. Look through the list on the next page, find the name of someone you know, and tell them you want to be in their Covenant Group.

Covenant Group Leaders & Locations

The following locations are not set in stone. Groups may decide to vary their meeting location over the year as others in the group express a desire to open their homes. But this is where groups will meet the first night.

Hays/Burton Group

Leaders:

Randy Hays 796-7031

Mike Burton 796-5277

Location:

Charlie & Yvonne Krenkel

1609 Hartwig Lane

Eidson Group

Leader:

Brad Eidson 734-4147

Location:

Sam & Camille Christenberry

2210 Lake Shore Drive SW

Whitlock Group

Leader:

Robert Whitlock 775-1992

Location:

Jay & Terri Johnson

1401 Angie Drive NW

Weatherly Group

Leader:

Jay Weatherly 737-0299

Location:

Jay & Sharon Weatherly

1715 Hillcrest Road NE

Siegenthaler Group

Leader:

Andrew Siegenthaler 737-5443

Location:

Linton & Janice Newlin

1820 Oxford Dr. NW

Ozment Group

Leader:

Dave Ozment 734-6583

Daren Rakestraw 739-9959

Location:

Judith Taunton

1608 Pansy St. NW

Covenant Group Schedule

2007-2008

Sep 5 Fellowship Supper & Covenant Kickoff	Jan 2 No Groups
Sep 12 Groups meet (<i>Hays/Burton on call</i>)	Jan 9 Groups meet (<i>Edison on call</i>)
Sep 19 Groups meet (<i>Eidson on call</i>)	Jan 16 Groups meet (<i>Whitlock on call</i>)
Sep 26 Groups meet (<i>Whitlock on call</i>)	Jan 23 Groups meet (<i>Ozment on call</i>)
Oct 3 Groups meet (<i>Ozment on call</i>)	Jan 30 Groups meet (<i>Weatherly on call</i>)
Oct 10 Groups meet (<i>Weatherly on call</i>)	Feb 6 Groups meet (<i>Siegenthaler on call</i>)
Oct 17 Groups meet (<i>Siegenthaler on call</i>)	Feb 13 Fellowship Supper & Valentine's Dance
Oct 24 Groups meet (<i>Hays/Burton call</i>)	Feb 20 Groups meet (<i>Hays/Burton on call</i>)
Sunday, Oct 28 Praise Team CD Concert	Feb 27 Groups meet (<i>Eidson on call</i>)
Oct 31 No Groups	Mar 5 Groups meet (<i>Whitlock on call</i>)
Nov 7 Groups meet (<i>Eidson on call</i>)	Mar 12 Groups meet (<i>Ozment on call</i>)
Nov 14 Groups meet (<i>Whitlock on call</i>)	Mar 19 Fellowship Supper & Missionary Guest
Sunday, Nov 18 Thanksgiving Supper & Service	Mar 26 Groups meet (<i>Weatherly on call</i>)
Nov 21 No Groups	Apr 2 Groups meet (<i>Siegenthaler on call</i>)
Nov 28 Groups meet (<i>Ozment on call</i>)	Apr 9 Groups meet (<i>Hays/Burton on call</i>)
Dec 5 Groups meet (<i>Weatherly on call</i>)	Apr 16 No Groups
Dec 12 Groups meet (<i>Siegenthaler on call</i>)	Apr 23 Groups meet (<i>Eidson on call</i>)
Dec 19 Groups meet (<i>Hays/Burton on call</i>)	Apr 30 No Groups
Dec 26 No Groups	Sunday, May 4 Anniversary Supper & Celebration

*Covenant Groups are "on call" to provide helpers if Covenant Kids happens to be short-staffed.

Covenant Kids

Nursery through 6th Grade

Covenant Kids is a ministry to the children of our church and to their friends that seeks to point them to Christ, nurture their faith, and instill in them a love for the church. Covenant Kids meets on Wednesday nights during the school year and provides parents with a fun and safe place for their children so that parents can attend an adult Covenant Group. Covenant Kids is staffed by a group of committed volunteers and led by Julie Kinworthy.

Drop Off – Please drop off your children at the entrance under the outside canopy between 6:15 and 6:30 PM on Covenant Group nights. You will need to take children 2 and under to the nursery. Children 3 years old through 6th grade will be directed to the Fellowship Hall and asked to sit with their class.

Dinner – A concession stand is provided for the kids to eat dinner. Each night kids can purchase a main food item (such as a slice of pizza, burger, etc.) for 50 cents each, chips are 25 cents per bag and drinks are 25 cents each. The menu for each Wednesday night is printed in the bulletin on the Sunday prior to each Covenant Group night. The concession stand works as follows:

Nursery children ages 2 and under – If you would like for your children in the nursery to eat dinner from the Covenant Kid's concession stand, please bring \$15 for the year for each of your children to which this applies. Each night, a nursery worker will go get the food from the concession stand and bring it to the nursery.

3 & 4 year olds, Kindergarteners, and 1st graders – Please bring \$20 for each child for food for the year. These kids will be brought food and drinks to their room and will not go through the concession stand.

2nd – 6th graders – Please have each child bring enough money for food for each Wednesday night only. They will go through the concession stand to buy their food. Then they will go to their classroom and eat with their class.

Dress – Kindergarteners through 6th graders will be participating in physical games and activities. Please dress your child in comfortable clothes and tennis shoes.

Pick Up – Please pick up your children under the outside canopy between 8:15 and 8:30 PM.

On Call – We have a tremendous group of committed volunteers who love your children. But occasionally illness and other things leave us short-staffed. To provide the best and safest program, we need enough adults, so we ask the Covenant Groups to alternate being “on call.” That means they will provide some volunteers from their group if we happen to need them.

Youth Group

7th through 12th grade

The Youth Group is led by Matt and Sheila Munger and a tremendous team of interns and volunteers. On Wednesday nights we gather at the Youth House at 6:15. We have a casual meal (please bring \$2) and at 6:45 we head into the “big room” for praise and worship with our youth-lead praise band.

At 7:00 p.m. we begin our Bible study, sometime together and sometimes separated into Jr. and Sr. High. To end our time together we often have skits or games which usually finishes our evening with a lot of laughter (thanks to our interns for sacrificing hair and clothes to the likes of syrup and smashed bananas on occasion).

Servant Positions for Fellowship Suppers

Sunday, November 18 **Thanksgiving Supper & Service**

Setting up—Siegenthaler
Decorating—Ozment
Receiving food—Whitlock
Providing drinks—Weatherly
Cleaning up—Edison & Hays/Burton

One of the pleasures of church life is eating together. Throughout the year we will have four fellowship suppers with different programs or events. We ask each Covenant Group to serve in different ways.

Wednesday, February 13 **Fellowship Supper &** **Valentine’s Square Dance**

Setting up—Eidson
Decorating—Hays/Burton
Receiving food—Siegenthaler
Providing drinks—Ozment
Cleaning up—Whitlock & Weatherly

Wednesday, March 19 **Fellowship Supper &** **Missionary Guest**

Setting up—Weatherly
Decorating—Whitlock
Receiving food—Ozment
Providing drinks—Hays/Burton
Cleaning up—Siegenthaler & Ozment

Sunday, May 4 **Christ Covenant turns 16!** **Anniversary Supper & Celebration**

Setting up—Ozment
Decorating—Eidson
Receiving food—Weatherly
Providing drinks—Siegenthaler
Cleaning up—Hays/Burton & Whitlock