

Save The Date

What's Happening This

Saturday, January 18th
 Leadership Training – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sunday January 19th
 A representative from Lakeland College in Wisconsin will visit during worship service. The representative will discuss available scholarship opportunities with our high school students. For more information contact Rev. Carmin at revcfjames@covucc.org.

Saturday, January 25th
 FREE Endowment Seminar 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 26th
 Consecration Sunday

Tuesday, January 28th
 Annual Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Our Annual Meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 28th at 7pm. We will receive the Annual Report and submit proposed bylaws amendments for congregational approval. Bylaws Amendments will be available for review on the website beginning on Tuesday, January 14th. Use Password Covenant1130. You may also request a hard copy from the office if needed.

Saturday, February 8th
 Married Couples Valentine Social
 ICE CREAM, KARAOKE, LITE LUNCH, GAMES, FELLOWSHIP & FUN
 \$25.00 PER COUPLE- PLEASE REGISTER IN THE NARTHEX.

February 15th
 In celebration of Black History Month we will have a Winter Retreat for all of our youth ages 3-18 on February 15th from 8:30-2:30 at Covenant North. You can register in the narthex after each service or at North. Please sign your children up so they don't miss out on the fun!
<http://www.bit.ly/CUCC2020youth>

February 23rd
 Black History Play –1:00 p.m.
 Unsung Heroes
 • Light meal served before play

Tuesday, 1/14
 6:30 p.m. Praise Team
 7:00 p.m. Christian Ed
 7:00 p.m. J.A.D.E
 7:00 p.m. Green Ministry

Wednesday, 1/15
 12:00 p.m. Noon Bible Study
 5:45 p.m. Youth Choirs
 6:00 p.m. G.L.A.
 7:00 p.m. Confirmation
 7:00 p.m. Experiencing God
 7:00 p.m. Men's Chorus

Thursday, 1/16
 6:30 p.m. New Member Orientation
 7:00 p.m. Chorale Ensemble
 7:14 p.m. Bible Study

Friday, 1/10
 7:00 a.m. Prayer Call
 712-775-7031-Access # -165-677

Saturday 1/18
NO MEETINGS OR ACTIVITIES

Food Pantry
 9:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
 Servicing Areas
 60409, 60419, 60633 60438,
 60473, 60827



Adults: Main Sanctuary
Young Adults (age 18+): 15F
Teens (ages 14-17): 13F
Pre-Teens (ages 12-13): 6F
Juniors (ages 9-11): 12F
Primary (ages 6-8): 14F
Pre-school (ages 3-5): 8F

January 19, 2020
 Solomon's Dedication Prayer
Bible Background
 1 Kings 8:22-53;
 2 Chronicles 6:12-42
 Devotional Reading
 1 Timothy 2:1-6

Points to Remember



SAVED THROUGH

FAITH

THE GIFT OF GRACE

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

Weekly Worship Services

Sunday
 7:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study
 Wednesday 12:00 p.m.
 Thursday 7:14 p.m.

Radio Broadcast Friday
 12:30 p.m. WYCA 102.3
 Website - www.covucc.org
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Pastor's Word

Grace, mercy, and peace to you!

We are on the eve of celebrating the Moses of the 20th Century, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The title of Dr. Jeremiah Wright's message lingers, "2020 Vision: We Need Some Help!" It's 2020, and this country still is not "tis of thee" or free. Dr. King, like the 8th Century prophets, told the truth about this nation. Like the 8th Century prophets, he was *lied on* for *telling the truth!* He preached that all people are created equal! It is unfortunate that America still cannot handle *that* truth! **Hosea 6:8** declares, "My people perish from lack of knowledge."

Dr. King also reminded us that everybody can be great because everybody can serve. I believe Dr. King's *Nia*; his purpose was to serve! The seeds of his service are still being realized. When you serve, there is little time for complaining—things will eventually come to pass. People who serve know how to *wait* on the Lord and others—even in the face of refusal. Dr. King served America a meal that included everyone at the table. Sadly, too much of America still refuses to eat from that table—51 years later! The words of our ancestors encourage us, "We shall overcome!"

We welcome Rev. Dr. Marcus Gibson, Senior Pastor of Greater Shady Grove Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia, for the 11 o'clock service. We thank the members of Greater Shady Grove for sharing him with us! Let us never forget that when we serve, we may never see the fruits of our labors, but they are fruits still! "Shadowed beneath God's hands, may we forever stand. True to our God and our native land!" May God strengthen us to serve and march on until victory is won, as I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Dr. Ozzie E. Smith, Jr.

Order of Service

January 12, 2020

Opening Song	
Call to Worship	
Congregational Hymn	
Scripture	"It Is Well With My Soul" Ephesians 1:3-14 (MSG) Psalm 89:1 (KJV)
Invocation	
-Ministry of Music	
--Recognition of Guests/Passing of Peace	
--Acknowledgements/Pastoral Period	
Tithes and Offerings	
2 nd Offering (Deacon Benevolence)	
Altar Call	
Sermon	"Keeping Our Focus" "What Song Will You Sing?" Guest Preacher: Rev. Marcus Gibson
Benediction	
--Worshippers May Enter	

Scripture

⁶How blessed is God! And what a blessing he is! He's the Father of our Master, Jesus Christ, and takes us to the high places of blessing in him. Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure he took in planning this!) He wanted us to enter into the celebration of his lavish gift-giving by the hand of his beloved Son. ⁷⁻¹⁰Because of the sacrifice of the Messiah, his blood poured out on the altar of the Cross, we're a free people—free of penalties and punishments chalked up by all our misdeeds. And not just barely free, either. *Abundantly* free! He thought of everything, provided for everything we could possibly need, letting us in on the plans he took such delight in making. He set it all out before us in Christ, a long-range plan in which everything would be brought together and summed up in him, everything in deepest heaven, everything on planet earth. ¹¹⁻¹²It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.

¹³⁻¹⁴It's in Christ that you, once you heard the truth and believed it (this Message of your salvation), found yourselves home free—signed, sealed, and delivered by the Holy Spirit. This signet from God is the first installment on what's coming, a reminder that we'll get everything God has planned for us, a praising and glorious life.

Scripture

Psalm 89:1(KJV)

89 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

Ephesians 1:3-14 (MSG)

Prayer Requests

Neidra Bogan, Nina Graham, Gregory Head, LaGretta Green, Brian Barney, Barbara Phillips, Gloria Farmer, Versie Littlejohn, Sharmetta Wilson

Prayer requests will appear in the bulletin for a one month period. To resubmit a name for the prayer list, please contact the church office.



Brenda Triplett on the loss of her father, Henry White

*Gussie Foster & Eunice (Kevin) Henderson on the loss of Giles Foster, husband/father

COVENANT UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

ENDOWMENT

Informational Seminar

January 25th
10am

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ENDOWMENT
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EVERY 4TH THURSDAY NIGHT
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The power of Corporate prayer
There is a unique spirit and special anointing when people petition God in a corporate setting. Come witness this awesome experience as we go to God together in prayer. It's OUR time!

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- TEXT "ASSIST"**
TO 708-315-2626
- AT CHURCH**
- MAIL**