

Important Dates for NCLC in October

Sunday School each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
Worship each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. – Bible Study via Zoom
Each Thursday beginning at 10:30 a.m. – Bible Study and Prayer
Sunday, October 4– Food Collection for GAFF
Tuesday, October 6 – Old Men’s Breakfast at Timberwoods at 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, October 10 – Burke County Day for Life event
Tuesday, October 13 – Quilting for Disaster Response at 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 14 – Council at 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 17 – Men’s Ministry 9:00 a.m. at church
Wednesday, October 28 – NCLC Ladies at 1:00 p.m.
– Church & Community Life Commission immediately after
Saturday, October 31 – Flood Bucket Challenge 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Birthday Celebrations

- Janet Tweedy – 12th
- Steve Short – 14th
- Tawanna Cook – 19th
- Karen Duncan – 23rd
- Ed Williams – 31st



Please let Beverly or Dianne know if your birthday is not included.

Worship Assistance Schedule

	Readers	Ushers	Flowers
October 4	Janet Tweedy	Jim Tweedy	Debbie & Quez Little
October 11	Julie Copenhaver	Ed Williams	Mary Dawn Stuenkel
October 18	Eric Stuenkel	Shawn & Asher Keller	Arlene Zimmer
October 25	Howy Copenhaver	Julie & Howy Copenhaver	Ingrid Farrar



Actions in heaven begin when someone prays on earth.

Budget Activity Through July

Donations received	81,756.46
Interest Income	2,098.66
Expenses	-70,284.12
Net	13,571.00



New Covenant News

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New Covenant Lutheran Church in Morganton, NC



MISSION STATEMENT: New Covenant Welcomes God's People
Founded in Faith, United by Love, and Gifted to Serve

Commission Highlight

The **Church and Community Life Commission** is dedicated to nurturing the spiritual, social and missional heart of New Covenant and plays a vital role in fostering a strong sense of fellowship within the congregation and extending Christ’s love beyond our walls.

- † Social Gatherings: planning and organizing events that ring us together, strengthening relationships and creating a welcoming environment for all.
- † Outreach Ministries: coordinating and supporting outreach efforts of the congregation, locally, nationally and globally.
- † Community Engagement: encouraging active involvement outside our walls through volunteerism, collaboration with local ministries and other outreach that reflects our faith in action.

The **Parish Management Commission** is responsible for the care, maintenance and overall management of the congregation’s building and facilities,

- † Oversee routine upkeep, repairs and improvements of building, grounds and equipment.
- † Monitor condition of property
- † Manage relationships with contractors, service providers and maintenance.

The **Spiritual Development Commission** nurtures the faith journey of New Covenant disciples, supporting the Church’s mission to make disciples, deepen faith and glorify God.

- † Selects curriculum for Sunday School and Bible studies.
- † Works with Pastor and worship leaders to plan enriching worship services.
- † Coordinates participation of volunteers involved in worship and education ministries, including training.
- † Supports opportunities for spiritual growth for all ages, such as seasonal studies (Lent/Advent)
- † Assists in planning and integrating musical and liturgical element in worship.

New Covenant Lutheran Women

New Covenant Ladies will meet on Wednesday October 28. We will be planning for future activities. Ladies, please join us for fellowship, fun, and spiritual connections!

Reminder to the New Covenant Ladies – 6th Annual CLW Convocation!

WHEN: Saturday, October 17th

Registration at 8:30am – Convocation from 9:00am to 2:30pm

WHERE: Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church in Faith, NC, 205 S Main St. Faith, NC 28041

SPEAKER & PROGRAM: Pastor Marty Ramey – "The Oil of Gladness"

Register online at www.carolinaslutheranwomen.org or pick up a registration form on the bookcase.



We are a praying church, lifting one another up with faith and compassion. If you would like to add a name to our prayer list—or remove one—please remember to email Beverly. Keeping her updated helps us care for our church family.

Cleaning House or Downsizing?

Just a reminder that the kitchen is not intended to serve as a staging area or drop-off location for donated items. If you have something you would like to contribute to New Covenant, please contact the person responsible for the intended area (kitchen, sanctuary, classroom, etc.) to determine whether the item would be useful before bringing it to the church. We appreciate your generosity and your help in keeping our shared spaces orderly.

Membership Update

Thanks to everyone for checking to ensure your contact information is correct. An updated church directory will be available for everyone later this month. Be sure to pick up your copy in the narthex, when available, as some information has changed.

Pastor Appreciation

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, a special time for congregations across the country to pause and give thanks for the faithful leadership of pastors. Here at New Covenant, we are deeply blessed by the ministry, compassion, and steady guidance Pastor Weisner provides week after week.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday is October 11. Let's join in expressing gratitude—whether through a handwritten note, a kind word, a prayer, or simply showing up with joy. Pastoral ministry is a calling that touches every part of congregational life, and this month gives us the chance to say, "We see you, we appreciate you, and we thank God for you." Let's surround Pastor Weisner with encouragement and love throughout October as we celebrate the gift of faithful leadership in our church.

Mission and Ministry Update



Glen Alpine Food Pantry

New Covenant was able to donate 160 pounds of food to the Glen Alpine Food Pantry in September! Any donations are welcome but especially needed now are: peanut butter, canned soups, cereal, and canned fruits (not plastic pull-off lids).

The Pregnancy Care Center of Burke County



Reminder: Burke Day for Life Event:

Their biggest fundraiser of the year will be on **October 10th**, at Burkemont Baptist Church from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be a 5K race at 9:00 a.m. Live music, games, food trucks, and raffle items will be part of the event. New Covenant will be contributing in two ways:

- **Donating gift baskets** for the raffle
- Hosting a **fishing-booth carnival game** with prizes

To make our booth a success, we need volunteers to help staff it throughout the event—from **10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** If you are willing to volunteer for any portion of that time, please let **Beverly** know. Thank you for supporting this ministry and helping us show Christ's love to those in need.

Church and Community Life Commission

This commission, which plans social events, coordinates outreach ministries and encourages community engagement, will meet at the church on Wednesday, October 28, immediately after the women's meeting, approximately 2:00 p.m.

Morganton Combined Choirs Christmas Concert



It's time to start preparations for Christmas celebrations. One of those for us in Burke County is the annual Christmas Concert. This year's concert is scheduled for Sunday, **December 6**, at 5:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Voices are needed to ensure the choirs will be at full volume. Rehearsals begin on Monday, October 12, at 7:15 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church sanctuary. All voices are welcome and needed, soprano, alto, tenor and bass. If you are one of those, please join in!

Disaster Response Bucket Brigade

There is an urgent need for flood buckets for disaster response. We have been notified that the Statesville warehouse is fully depleted, and only 100 flood buckets remain in Kings Mountain. As storms continue to impact communities across our region, these buckets are essential for families beginning cleanup and recovery. Let's come together and restock the shelves so help is ready the moment it's needed.

Flood Bucket Assembly Day – Saturday, October 31 – 10:00 a.m. to Noon - Let's gather to assemble as many flood buckets as possible—our goal is 300. After the work is complete, a light lunch will be served for all volunteers. Thank you for your willingness to participate in this meaningful effort.

