



THE COVENANT MESSENGER

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Tues.– Fri. 9am-4pm
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

"The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice, And he who sires a wise son will be glad in him." Proverbs 23:24

Every child owes a great deal of whom they are, whether physically or mentally to their father. As children we gain traits from our fathers, like their noses or eyes or ears. And sometimes we also take on their habits like maybe cracking our knuckles or giving up our seat to someone who needs to sit. We are who we are in part, thanks to our fathers.

Fathers, like mothers teach us things and try to impart the knowledge that was shared with them to us so that we can share it with future generations. It takes a lot to be a father, it is stressful, worrisome, taxing, joyful, exciting, and wonderful all at the same time, of course I don't know about being a father because I am not one, but I do have one and I see and have seen what a father does. I believe that we all have somewhat seen these behaviors from the father figures in our lives. Some of us were blessed to have our fathers raise us and others were blessed to have folks step into that role and help guide them to become who they are. Whether we had a father or not, or we are a father or not, we all have the ability to help a child succeed in the world, we all can teach them and care for them. When it comes to Father's Day I am thankful and blessed to have a father who has raised me and I am also thankful to all the men in my life who helped raise me, my grandfathers, my uncles, my brother, my pastors. All of these people helped me to become who I am.

As we celebrate the dads in our lives let us not forget the father of us all, *Our Father who art in heaven*. May he bless and keep you all.

Happy Father's Day Dads!

Love in Christ,

Pastor Jeff

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Covenant Moravian Church Board Meeting Minutes for 5/19/2021 at 7:00pm

Board Members present: Pastor Jeff Jones, Vice Chair Sheri Holland, Priscilla Donathan, Kathy Britt, Deb Elam, Judy Atkinson and Patricia Staton. **Not present:** Lori Bartels and Devon Baldwin.

Pastor Jeff called the meeting to order with the Daily Text Devotion and prayer.

Motion made to approve Agenda by Deb Elam/2nd Sheri Holland, all in favor.

It was noted that March board minutes were approved through emails and no board meeting was held for April.

Old Business: none

New Business:

1- Learning Bridge owners have requested a reduction of rent for Choir room class for the month of June and July. Current rent is 600.00/ month. After discussion, a motion was made by Deb Elam to grant a 200.00/month reduction for both months. Sheri Holland 2nd, all in favor. Pastor Jeff will contact Learning Bridge to relay this to them.

2-Kathy Britt informed the board that part of the new 5-year lease contract with Learning Bridge included Learning Bridge getting a separate water meter installed for the 2 school buildings. Crystal spoke with Frank Styers at Cape Fear Water Authorities. Frank said CFWA will not install an additional water meter so it would need to be installed by a private company. Kathy said a revised lease may be needed to address this issue. It was suggested to table until next month and we contact LB re: this issue.

3- HVAC quotes from 2 local companies were presented by Pastor Jeff, both quotes were close, after discussion Judy Atkinson made a motion to go with Anderson Air for replacing fellowship hall unit for \$8185.00 and \$823.00 to repair a sanctuary unit that has a leak. Anderson Air is the same company that services our current HVACs. Sheri Holland 2nd, all in favor.

4- Tony who cleans and waxes our floors has asked to consider him for cleaning the church on a regular basis. No price was given, Pastor Jeff will contact him regarding frequency/price/ details and get back to the board hopefully next month. It was suggested maybe 2x/month for frequency. Sheri Holland was recognized and thanked for all her work these past years. Covid has kept many at home and unable to do all that needs done.

5- Kathy Britt announced that her husband Don Britt wants to retire as our main Adult Sunday School teacher after 35+ years. We hope to have someone that will step up to the plate to teach starting in September.

6- Fundraising- Pastor Jeff asked that we look to having a more accountable and clear fundraising projects in the future.

Pastor report was held until after Ministry Team reports.

Ministry Team Reports:

Hospitality- Lori Bartels no report

Stewardship/ Fundraising -Patricia Staton

Options were discussed for Candle Tea on Saturday December 4th. Pastor Jeff would like to have a children's lovefeast service at the closing of our Candle Tea that afternoon. It was suggested that we begin planning soon with a committee to be able to get things like advertising and crafts started early.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Facilities- Priscilla Donathan

Danny Donathan repaired our floor buffer by replacing some of the broken and worn-out wheels. He also fixed one of the fellowship hall women's room toilets.

Danny Donathan has given an estimate to replace the back building roof for \$9450.00 including materials/labor and removal of old roof and disposal of old roofing. It was discussed that this roof needed to be replaced hopefully before hurricane season.

Danny Donathan reports there is some extra material left over from recent new deck. He would like to use to repairs back steps of school building that is closest to picnic pavilion. Board was definitely ok with that.

Deb Elam made a motion that we proceed with the replacement of the roof, Judy Atkinson 2nd, all in favor. Pastor Jeff reports we may have a rodent problem in the church, an exterminator will be called asap.

Congregational Care and Healing-Kathy Britt

Kathy reports having call members who have been ill or in a facility. She is checking to see if anyone needs meals and will let us know. She has spoken with Irene Freeman, Lib Schultz, Lynn her daughter and has made contact with Lou Motsinger also.

Worship and Music-Sheri Holland

Joint services begin May 30 @ 10:00 am starting with the Lutherans in the fellowship hall. Two dates were mentioned by Pastor Jeff, July 6th (Jon Hus) and August 13th for special Moravian services.

Spiritual Formation and Christian Ed-Deb Elam

August 1st is the Children's Festival in W-S. They will have activity bags we can order for our children to have for that time period or that Sunday. We need to remember extra for any visiting children for WOL also.

Mission Formation and outreach- Judy Atkinson

There was a request to park the Disaster Relief work tool trailer at Covenant, but it has not arrived yet.

Finance-Devon Baldwin

See financial and Budget report provided.

Pastor's Report-

Pastor Jeff listed numerous wonderful ideas for now until the end of the year, many geared to attracting our youth and young families:

- August 1st Children Festival
- August lovefeast / Games for children
- October Trunk or Treat
- Dec. 4th Children's lovefeast after Candle Tea
- Crafts and potluck after church on Sunday
- Preparing Chicken Pies for sale with Mrs. Long (Cat's mother)
- Church outing
- Homecoming

Sheri Holland made a motion to adjourn.

Closed with a prayer from Pastor Jeff asking for healing and an easy Hurricane season for all.

Next Meeting- June 16th, 2021, 7pm

Respectfully submitted by Patricia Staton

NEWS & EVENTS



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

OLIVIA ALLEN AND SELDEN BALDWIN

GRADUATES OF NEW HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2021

Both students will be attending UNC in the FALL of 2021.

DEWEY'S BAKERY FUNDRAISER

The Dewey's fresh bakery fundraiser held in April raised \$393.00 for the church.

We feel this fundraiser was successful in its first year and we hope to continue it next year.

Thank you to everyone who placed orders and to Pat Staton for all of your hard work in organizing and seeing to it that the product was in Wilmington for pick up on May 8.



SAVE THE DATE



Children's Festival and Lovefeast 2021
Saturday, August 14, 2021 | 3:00 PM

We are having a Children's Festival & Lovefeast on Saturday, August 14 at Covenant!

Please look for more information to come in your Sunday bulletins and July's newsletter.

MISSION AWARENESS FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 4-6 PM, OLIVET MORAVIAN



The Mission Society of the Moravian Church is hosting a festival to spotlight and share about the many Moravian missionaries and missions we support along with other ministries that support mission work. You can learn about various missions all over the world while enjoying entertainment from Moravian musicians and a hot dog provided by Olivet Moravian. In accordance with the CDC and the NC governor's recommendations masks are optional at this event. If you have any questions call the Mission Society office at 336-773-1732.

GREETER/LAY READER/USHER SCHEDULE

June 6 - Lay Reader—Sheri Holland

Greeter/Usher—Roger Culler

June 20 - Lay Reader—George Elam, Greeter/Usher—Deb Elam



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 10:00 a.m. Joint Worship Birthday Sunday	7	8 Girl Scout Troop 6pm - 7pm	9	10	11	12
13 10:00 a.m. Joint Worship	14 Flag Day	15	16 Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.	17	18	19
20 10:00 a.m. Joint Worship Father's Day	21 <i>First Day of Summer</i>	22 Girl Scout Troop 6pm - 7pm	23	24	25	26
27 10:00 a.m. Joint Worship	28	29	30			

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 2 **George Elam**
June 2 **Tammy Styers**
June 7 **Jonathan Allen**
June 20 **Priscilla Donathan**
June 22 **Deb Elam**
June 25 **Jacob Holland**



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Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

COVENANT 2021 WATCHWORD

O bless his holy name, and joyful thanks proclaim
through all the earth; be grateful and receive God's
blessing; and believe; his love does not deceive.
Now share your mirth! (452)

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