

# New Covenant News

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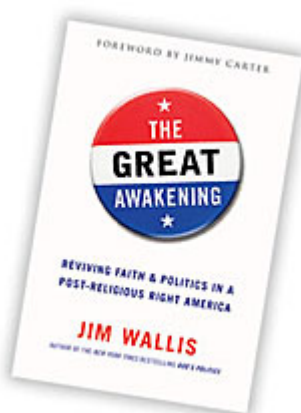
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## The Great Awakening



The Blend and the Book Club are co-sponsoring a new discussion topic centered around Jim Wallis' new book The Great Awakening.

Jim Wallis, the internationally renowned preacher and bestselling author of God's Politics, believes that our country hungers for politics that include hope and faith as an integral part of solving important national issues. In his latest book, Wallis shows that a revival is happening, as people of faith and moral conviction seek common ground for change. He

also reminds readers that religion was a driving force behind our greatest national reforms, such as the abolition of slavery and the civil rights movement, and that "great awakenings" happen periodically at crucial times in our nation's history to propel us toward a common good.

All are welcome to join the conversation **every other Friday night at Chocolaté at 7pm**. Remaining meetings with this topic are on March 7th, and March 21st.

Please contact Ashley DeVore, Scott Pieper or Curt Schroeder for more details.

## Healing Services



George Tatro is leading a service of healing **every Wednesday at 5:30 pm**. The service will be in the sanctuary before the bell choir rehearsal.

## Being Inviting: *Just Do It!*

First of all, thank you to all of you for your enthusiastic response to our Lunch 'n' Learn series on *Being an Inviting Church*. We spent our time learning about evangelism – especially that it is a very straightforward process. *Evangelism is the simple act of inviting someone to participate in the very rich life we have together here at Church of the New Covenant*. We have lots of opportunities for spiritual growth in worship, song and study; for fellowship and fun; and for ministry in our community. Each of us has a compelling story to tell about our connection to this congregation and its ministry. We are already a warmly welcoming congregation. All we have to do is *extend* that welcome by inviting others – lots of others! – into faith, fellowship and partnership in our ministries.

A very special thanks goes out to all the people who prepared the wonderful variety of meals we shared: Nancy Meinersmann for coordinating the effort; Nancy Berlin, Jan Kepic, Sandy Bond and others (too numerous for me to remember) for preparing the delicious food, for setting up, serving and cleaning up. Thanks also to Curt Schroeder for A/V setup.

—Rick

## Lent Worship Schedule

The Worship Committee is in the process of planning a variety of worship services to observe the Lenten season. We look forward to entering this time of Lent with you as we all prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord. Please join us for each of the services and invite a friend to join you.

Palm Sunday Service – **March 16th, 11:00 am**  
Maundy Thursday Service (Agape Meal and Tenebrae Service) – **March 20th, 7:00 pm**  
Good Friday Service – **March 21st, 7:00 pm**  
Easter Sunday Service – **March 23rd, 11:00 am**

# Special Offering Easter Sunday



## What is it for?

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

Recognizing that the hope we have in Christ is lived out in our hope for one another, we respond with gifts that help our sisters and brothers around the world find the hope for a brighter future.

## Where does the money go?

The Presbyterian Hunger Program receives 36 percent of undesignated One Great Hour of Sharing gifts, while the Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance each receives 32 percent.

## When is the offering received?

We will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Easter Sunday.

## Walking Rainbows

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A rainbow is not just a symphony of colors  
sent to calm the storm in our souls;  
it is a talk with God,  
a mysterious, miraculous conversation with God,  
heart to heart,  
the very heart of God saying to our hearts:  
"I remember I am your God.  
Be my walking rainbows,  
so that the whole world  
will know to whom you belong,  
for I am the God who keeps promises,  
and I have not forgotten our covenant."  
This is the hope of the church:  
that God keeps promises.  
The mission of the church is to  
walk amount the suffering and give,  
for we are covenant keepers,  
walking rainbows,  
bringing the hope of the good news to the poor.

- Ann Weems

Submitted by Ashley DeVore



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## Session Members

### Class of 2008

Bill Bower (Clerk of Session)  
Suzanne Holton (Witness)  
Nancy Meinersmann (Fellowship)

### Class of 2009

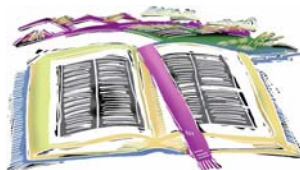
Scott Holton (Stewardship & Finance)  
Jeannie Jones (Spiritual Growth)  
Richard Russ (Building & Grounds)

### Class of 2010

Ashley DeVore (Worship)  
Curt Schroeder (Witness)

## Newsletter Submissions

New Covenant News is a monthly publication printed by Church of the New Covenant, PC U.S.A., Doraville, Georgia. If you have news you would like to share of upcoming events, please email or call the church office: [newcovenantpcusa@bellsouth.net](mailto:newcovenantpcusa@bellsouth.net), 770-455-8117. The deadline for monthly submissions is the **third Wednesday of the month.**



## March Lectionary Readings

**March 2** 1 Sam. 16:1-13; Eph. 5:8-14  
**March 9** Ezek. 37 1-14; Rom. 8:6-11; John 11:1-45  
**March 16** Matt. 21:1-11; Isa. 50:4-9a; Phil. 2:5-11; Matt. 26:14-27  
**March 23** Acts 10:34-43; Jer. 31:1-6; Col. 3:1-4; John 20:1-18; Isa. 25:6-9; Luke 24:13-49  
**March 30** Acts 2:14a, 22-32; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

The Clifton Night Hospitality volunteers are:

**March 8** Ted and Suzanne Mikalsen  
**March 15** Kenneth and Marty Riviere



## Newsletter Submission Dates

In an effort to make the newsletter more useful we are striving to put it in your hands earlier. As a result, we have changed the submission deadline to the third Wednesday of every month. Below is the submission schedule for the rest of the year. Please make note of the dates.

Deadline for March newsletter, **Feb. 20**  
Deadline for April newsletter, **Mar. 19**  
Deadline for May newsletter, **Apr. 16**  
Deadline for June newsletter, **May 21**  
Deadline for July newsletter, **June 18**  
Deadline for August newsletter, **July 16**  
Deadline for September newsletter, **Aug. 20**  
Deadline for October newsletter, **Sept. 17**  
Deadline for November newsletter, **Oct. 15**  
Deadline for December newsletter, **Nov. 19**  
Deadline for January 2009 newsletter, **Dec. 17**

**Make note of the dates today and plan ahead to keep everyone informed.**

## GALEO Opportunities

Module	English		Spanish	
	Date	Time	Date	Time
I and III	March 1	9:30 to 4 pm	March 8	Noon to 6 pm
V and VI	March 15	9:30 to 4 pm	March 22	Noon to 6 pm
II and IV	March 29	9:30 to 4 pm	April 5	Noon to 6 pm
VII and VIII	April 12	9:30 to 4 pm	April 19	Noon to 6 pm
Group Presentation	April 26	9:30 to 4 pm	May 3	Noon to 6 pm



# MARCH

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

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2	3	4	5 Healing Service 5:30	6	7	8 GALEO (Spanish session) Noon-6 pm
9 PW Coordinating Peam (after worship)	10	11 PW Circle (10:00 am & 6:30pm)	12 Healing Service 5:30	13	14 The Blend 7 pm	15 GALEO (English session) 9:30 am - 4 pm
16 Easter lily forms due	17	18 Crochet Group	19 Healing Service 5:30  Submissions for April newslet. due.	20 Maundy Thursday svc., 7 pm	21 Good Friday svc., 7 pm	22 GALEO (Spanish session) Noon-6 pm
23	24	25 Crochet Group	26 Healing Service 5:30	27	28 The Blend 7 pm	29 GALEO (English session) 9:30 am - 4 pm
30 Worship Committee meeting, Noon.	31					



March 1-Ben Davis  
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 March 2-Kristin Johnson  
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 March 3-Kathy Davis  
 March 3-Pauline Weaver  
 March 8- Bill Washburn

March 12-Susan Goslin  
 March 13-Jason Clay  
 March 15-Kaitlyn Jordan  
 March 15-Bob Weaver  
 March 16-Jim Wilson  
 March 18-Samuel Stryker  
 March 18-Telford White

March 19-John Meinersmann  
 March 20-Keller Smith  
 March 20-Cameron Jordan  
 March 20-Savannah Jordan



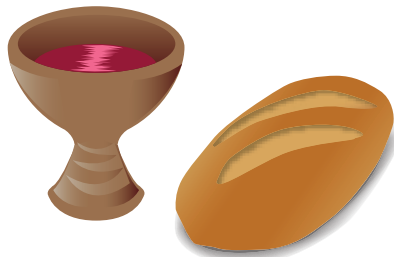
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# Holy Week Worship Services

PLEASE JOIN US

*Palm Sunday - March 16th, 11:00 am*

Celebrate with us Jesus' triumphant arrival in Jerusalem.

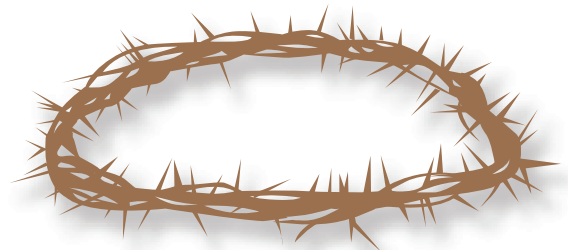


*Maundy Thursday - March 20th, 7:00 pm*

We will share an agapé meal in a tradition that dates back to the early Church. The meal will be followed by Communion and a Tenebrae Service.

*Good Friday - March 21st, 7:00 pm*

This will be a Taizé service for reflecting on the meaning of Christ's sacrificial act of love.



*Easter Sunday - March 23rd, 11 am*

A celebration of the triumph of Love over Death.

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