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Introduction

Covenant Community Church exists for the glory of God, to be used by God as an instrument for gospel transformation and reconciliation of individuals, families, communities, and culture in the North Hills of Pittsburgh.

The Lord is transforming us into a multi-cultural and multi-ethnic church, displaying the glories of the gospel, by making us one in Christ. We worship bilingually in Spanish and English as we continue to welcome friends from the Hispanic community.

Milestones & History

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| Nov. 23, 1975 | January 11, 1977 | June 8, 1980 | April 1, 2001 | February 13, 2011 |
| First public Worship Service | Current property purchased | Building dedicated with Dr. R.C. Sproul preaching | Covenant Presbyterian & Covenant Community merge | Pastor Jon Price Installed as Pastor |
| March 2014 | January 15, 2016 | May 7, 2017 | February 10, 2019 | February 14, 2021 |
| Begin Worshiping in English & Spanish | 40th Anniversary Weekend with Rick Perrin preaching | Pastor Alejandro (Alex) Martinez Ordained | Building addition dedicated with Bob Eickelberg preaching | Pastor Jon Celebrates 10 Years of Ministry at Covenant Community |

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church was started in 2001 as a uniting of Covenant Presbyterian Church of Wexford and the Covenant Community church plant in Cranberry Township, a ministry of Westminster PCA in Butler, PA.

Covenant Presbyterian Church was started as home Bible study in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, becoming a particular church on November 23, 1975, at which time the congregation met at the North Hills YMCA with founding pastor Rev. K. Eric Perrin. On January 11, 1977, the current property on Wexford Run Road was purchased and the church building was dedicated on Sunday, June 8, 1980 with Dr. R.C. Sproul preaching. Covenant Presbyterian ministered on the site through 2001.

Covenant Community Church was started as a church plant by the Rev. J. D. Funyak in early 2000, with the oversight and assistance of Westminster PCA in Butler. It met in the Cranberry Cinemas in the Cranberry Mall on Rt 19.

In the spring of 2001, the Lord led these two congregations to join their hearts in worshiping our God as one body of believers. The Rev. J.D. Funyak, pastor of the Covenant Community church plant, was called to lead this new congregation. From the inception of Covenant Community Presbyterian Church as one church family, it has been our desire and we believe our calling to be a blessing to all people in word and deed, extending God's grace to Marshall Township, Cranberry Township, the greater North Hills, and the Pittsburgh region.

In January of 2011, the Rev. Jonathan A. Price was called as the next Pastor. He previously served as Assistant Pastor at Murrysville Community Church, and brought with him more than 12 years of experience ministering with and to youth, children, and families.

In mid-2011 the Elders of Covenant Community began the process of "re-visioning." Through months of prayer and discernment, our leadership more clearly defined, in general, what God calls the Church to be, and how we believe he is calling Covenant Community to live that out. At its most foundational level, Covenant Community Church is called together to Worship God, Love One Another, and Serve Our Neighbors.

This vision and mission took on a new and exciting direction in 2014 when the church began to reach out to native Spanish speakers, and began bi-lingual worship services. Alex Martinez, staff member, and later Associate Pastor was instrumental in helping us to grow in this area. It is the desire of Covenant Community to be a visible expression of God's multi-ethnic people; worshiping, loving, and serving together.

Vision/Mission/Purpose

Vision

Covenant Community is a gospel-centered church that seeks to be a blessing to all people in word and deed. By God's grace we will continue to grow: in our worship of God, discipleship of each other, and as a community on mission. As we live out this vision, we will be active planting like-minded gospel-centered churches.



Mission

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Purpose

As a community of believers, both individually and corporately, who have been transformed by the gospel of grace in Jesus Christ, we seek to live the way God wants us to live; to do what the Lord requires of us, which is: to do what is just; to love kindness and mercy; and to walk humbly with our God. This is easily stated in three words – Worship, Love, and Serve.

We seek to live this out as follows:

1. Worship God with our whole lives, both corporately as the gathered people of God, and as individuals stewarding all aspects of our lives, including our vocational callings as an act of worship.
2. Loving one-another as Christ has loved us. Being a church that is 'one-anothering' each other with the love of Christ.
3. Serving – by loving our neighbors as ourselves – bringing Shalom through word and deed gospel ministry, striving to be a people who seek the common good.

Community

The Community We Serve

According to the 2020 census, Wexford had a population of 21,200 of whom 90% are white. The largest ethnic minority group is Asian at about 6%, and about 2% for both African American and Hispanic. There is an unexpectedly high number of people aged 65+, as well as economically active young adults. A majority of the community is in the family growth stage of life, and represent financial ability and security. Within a six mile radius of the church, the population is over 100,000. The demographic trends of the broader area, are fairly consistent with what is reflected in Wexford.

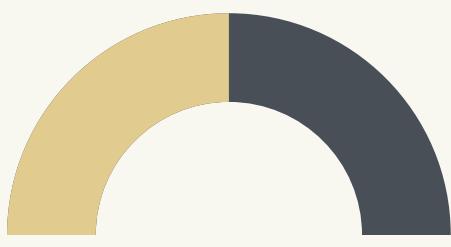
Wexford is serviced by the North Allegheny School District which is one of the best in Pennsylvania. Most of the surrounding school districts are ones that are highly sought after as well.

The Communities We Live In

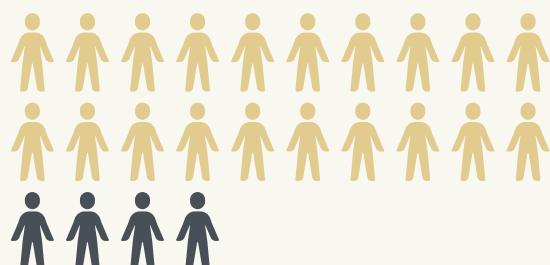
Our congregation is made up of people who come from the surrounding tri-county area. Communities like Cranberry Township, Adams Ridge, Mars, and Zilienople in Butler County. In Allegheny County, the communities of Marshall Township, Pine, Franklin Park, McCandless, Ohio Township, West View, and the North Boroughs are well represented. We also have communities in Beaver County such as Baiden, Economy Borough, and New Sewickley Township represented.

Congregation

We have a membership of 230 communicant and non-communicant members. There are approximately 40 children under the sixth grade, and approximately 40 sixth grade through high school students in our congregation. We are largely a majority culture congregation made up of English speakers, with about 20% of the congregation speaking Spanish, from various Hispanic backgrounds.

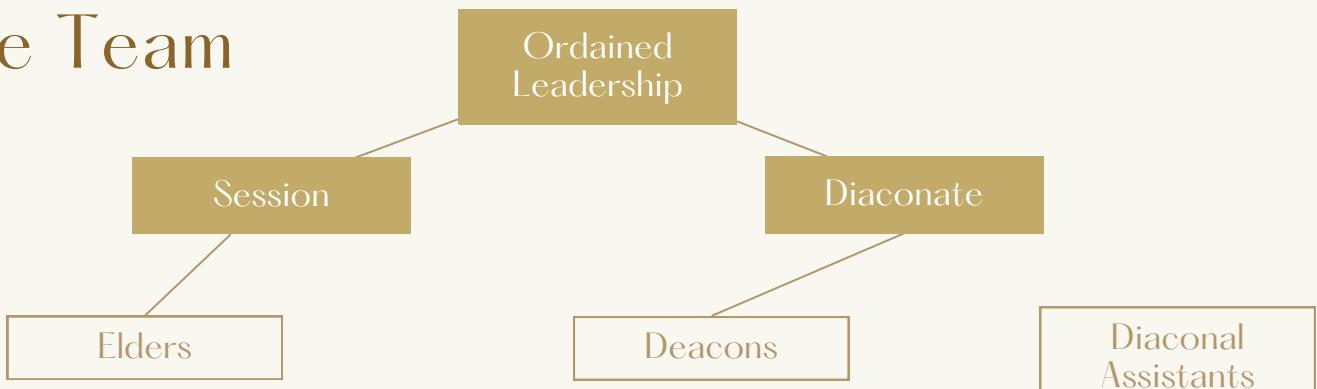


Elementary & Under /
Middle & High School



Language Dispersion

The Team



Erik Anderson

Ed Klicker

Jon Durfee

Josh Klicker

Erik Preciado

Dave Giebel

Chuck Sigler

Paul Elmer

Matt LoDico

Omar Rivera

Adam Kirkton, Clerk

Jon Vande Geest

Greg Hollack

Ryan Miller



Jon Price
Senior Pastor

Pastor Jon was born in Pittsburgh, and lived for a few years in Beaver, PA. Growing up he spent time in Central Kansas and Eastern & Western New York. He came back to Western PA to attend Geneva College, where he received his B.S. in Biology. After serving churches in Pittsburgh and Washington D.C. for five years, he attended Covenant Seminary in St. Louis, MO, where he received his Masters of Divinity. While attending Covenant Seminary he served on staff with their Youth in Ministry Institute, and served his pastoral internship at Grace and Peace Fellowship. In 2006 Jon was called as Assistant Pastor of Children's and Youth Ministries at Murrysville Community Church in Murrysville, PA. After five fruitful years of ministry, God called Jon to Covenant Community Church in February, 2011. Jon currently serves as the Chairman of the MNA Committee of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, as well as acting director of the Three Rivers Church Planting Network.

Pastor Jon enjoys spending time with his wife Meagan, and children: Ella, Josh, and Sam. In his spare time he enjoys sports, spending time on the golf course, and working with his hands.



Tracy Mitchell
Director of Discipleship

Tracy lives in Butler where she was born and raised and enjoys being close to family and friends. She attended Canisius College and Calvin University, earning degrees in Business and Recreation, before attending Covenant Seminary in St. Louis, receiving a Master of Arts in Theological Studies. After graduation, she served as the Program Director at Seneca Hills Bible Camp for six years, leaving that position to follow a call overseas with Ambassadors in Sport. Upon returning, she spent two years working with teens in residential treatment and from that experience, felt led to become a foster parent. She currently works in the insurance field for an international company, and also serves on the board of directors at Seneca Hills. Tracy pursues several hobbies, including running, camping, gardening, and woodworking and enjoys fellowship with friends over dinner, campfires, or any excuse to get together.



Tharina Impellizzeri
Church Administrator

Tharina lives in Cranberry Township with her husband Jonathan and five children. She has been a member of Covenant for seven years, and has served on staff in this capacity since January, 2022.



Tracey Hazlett
Director of Music Ministries

Tracey lives in West View and has her own counseling practice. She has been a member of our music ministry team for several years, and recently stepped into the director role.



Kathy Johnson
Financial Secretary

Kathy has been a member of Covenant for over 30 years, and has served in various capacities. She and her husband Dave have three grown children, and five grandchildren.

Key Ministries

Some of the ministries of Covenant Community

- Worship
- Women's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Children's Ministry
- English as a Second Language Classes (ESL)
- Sunday School
- C-Groups (small group ministry)
- Missions (local, national, and international)

Our Theological Beliefs

Our church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are inspired, inerrant, and infallible. All that is necessary for faith and life is revealed to us in them. We adhere to the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Catechisms, which we believe faithfully communicate biblical doctrine.

Interested Candidates

Please submit your resume (or CV), cover letter, MDF (ministerial data form), 2 sermon samples (English & Spanish), a short sample of verbal interpretation skills, and a philosophy of ministry to the contact below.

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