

## WELCOME

*Recognizing the wide welcome offered to all through Jesus Christ, Community Church opens its arms to all.  
We strive to offer Christ's wide welcome to all people, regardless of creed, age, race, or sexual identity.  
We invite you to join our congregation in worship and in membership,  
as we allow our lives to be shaped by the loving outreach of Christ.*



## HARVEST SUNDAY 11/22/2020

C<sup>2</sup> SERVICE (LIVESTREAM ONLY) 8:30 A.M.

SANCTUARY AND LIVESTREAM SERVICE 10:15 A.M.

### COMING HOME FOR THE SEASON OR NEW TO THE CHURCH? WELCOME.

Co Vid 19 Protocols Made Simple

1. Wear a mask: required while on the church campus.
2. Follow Floor Signs in the Sanctuary: One way in and one way out. Arrows mark your path.
3. Socially Distance: Please sit on opposite ends of each pew unless you live together.
4. Share Offering: In the wooden boxes at each entrance to the sanctuary, on-line or mail in by check.
5. Take Bulletin: Please re-cycle your bulletin at home.
6. Enjoy Hospitality: Cookies will be provided after worship for you to enjoy during your virtual coffee hour.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*\*Please rise in body or spirit. Thank you for wearing your mask throughout the service. **Bold** text indicates congregational participation.*

*Our service is live-streamed via internet, capturing the chancel and congregation, and may appear on social media.*

*Children are invited to join Lia Peters for Sunday School on the Lanai after Passing of the Peace for an outdoor lesson, art, and a fun time to worship.*

*Please wear a mask and maintain a loving distance when picking up your children after service.*

*Families are always welcome to worship together during service. Nursery Care is available for children under the age of four.*

## THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth"  
*arr. Carol Tornquist*

Jill M. Truax, piano

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Duke Thompson

COMMUNITY WORDS

Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"I Will Sing Unto The Lord"  
*John Ness Beck*

The Community Quintet

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

Rev. David W. Johnson

\*OPENING HYMN

"We Gather Together"

KREMSER



We gath - er to - geth - er to ask for God's bless - ing, to live in com - mu - ni - ty, seek - ing God's will.

Be - side us, for - giv - ing, en - a - bling, sus - stain - ing, you call us, O Sav - ior, to life that is new.

All praise to the Spir - it, pro - vid - er, de - fend - er. You of - fer us free - dom, to fol - low or stray,



We come now, as sis - ters and broth - ers, con - fess - ing the sins that di - vide and the wrong in us still.

You draw us a - way from self - cen - tered com - plain - ing. You lead us and guide us in ways that are true.

Em - pow - er - ing all by the hope you en - gen - der. Grant wis - dom and cou - rage to fol - low your way.

\*LITANY

John C. Haller

One: Each day is a gift from God,

**All: This Harvest Sunday we give thanks for so many blessings that fill our lives.**

One: Each day is a reminder of our new covenant with God:

**All: A covenant not written in stone, but inscribed on our hearts, filling us with joy and hope.**

One: Each day is an opportunity to draw closer to God:

**All: Who has given us more than we will ever know; and who loves us more than we can imagine.**

One: Let us pray...

\*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**Creator God, Source of all that is, this is the time of year when the produce of the earth is gathered in; and so we give thanks for gifts of food. It is the time of year when the weather cools and life is lived outdoors; and so we give thanks for the beauty of the earth. With the season of advent just around the corner, we pause this week to give you thanks for your ancient, ongoing, and always-new covenant with your people. Move within and among us at worship this morning. Amen**

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

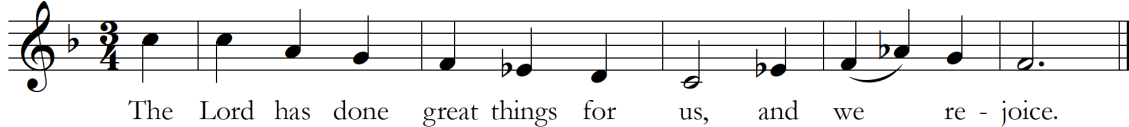
## ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTIPHONAL READING FROM THE PSALTER

Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

*Psalm 126:1-6*

RACHEL E. CARTER



*Cantor*

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced. Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

*Cantor*

READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES

One: The prophets speak of the promises of God.

**All: We listen for a word of hope.**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

RESPONSE

One: A day is coming when all people will know and revere God.

**All: We look forward to that promised day.**

ANTHEM

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

The Community Quintet

*John Rutter*

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the Love which from our birth over and around us lies:  
Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.  
For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:  
Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.  
For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.  
For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven:  
Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.*

SERMON

"Love Note"

Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

*"I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." Jeremiah 31:33b*

INVITATION TO PRAYER

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

"May The Words of Our Mouths"

*John Ness Beck*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. David W. Johnson

OFFERTORY

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"  
*arr. James Michael Stevens*

Rachel E. Carter, soprano

*Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.  
God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.*

*Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home;  
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide;  
come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.*

\*DOXOLOGY

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

John C. Haller

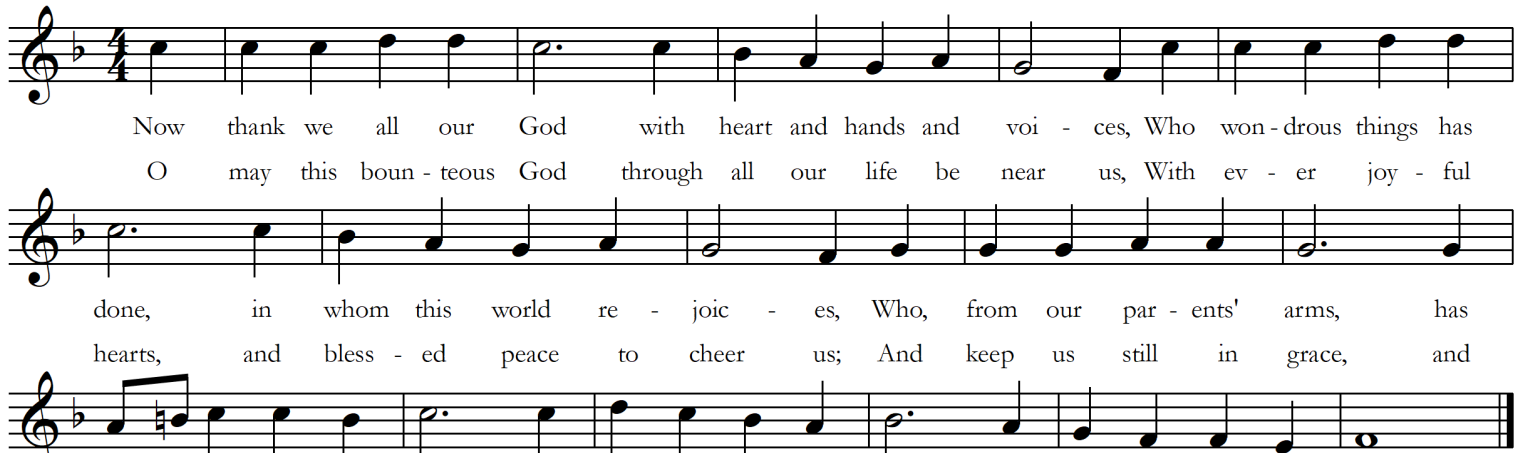
Generous God, we give our offerings in grateful thanksgiving for all that you have given us.  
In the upside down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but by what we can give away.  
And so we give these offerings joyfully, celebrating your goodness to all people. May they be used to bring hope and joy to many. Amen.

## THE SENDING FORTH

\*CLOSING HYMN

"Now Thank We All Our God"

NUN DANKET



Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voi - ces, Who won - drous things has  
O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us, With ev - er joy - ful  
done, in whom this world re - joic - es, Who, from our par - ents' arms, has  
hearts, and bless - ed peace to cheer us; And keep us still in grace, and  
blessed us on our way With count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.  
guide us when per - plexed, And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"  
*Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

## IN WORSHIP TODAY...

### THE COMMUNITY QUINTET

Rachel E. Carter, soprano; JoAnn W. Palmer, alto; Kent J. Ahern, tenor;  
Ezekiel Dos Santos, baritone; Joshua M. Pinnock, bass

DEACON: John C. Haller

ACOLYTE: Duke Thompson

THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND GIVEN...

by his wife, Joan, and Celli in loving memory and Thanksgiving of Ronald Ohl and Charlie.



## WORSHIP

**NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH:** The sermon titled "Signed, Sealed, Delivered" will be given by Rev. David W. Johnson by live-stream at 8:30 a.m. in C<sup>2</sup> from Community Hall and in-person and live-streamed at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Please join us for our services through our website at [ccovb.org](http://ccovb.org) or [facebook.com/ccovb.org](https://facebook.com/ccovb.org).

## STAYING CONNECTED

**LIVE-STREAM VIEWING:** To watch our services on live-stream, please do one of the following:

- Visit our web page at [ccovb.org](http://ccovb.org). Scroll down to the box titled 'Livestream Our Service Here' and click on live-stream in the image; or go to the top right and click on the small camera icon.
- Go to our Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/CCOVb.org>). Scroll until you see the live-stream.
- Go to <https://livestream.com/watch>. Type "The Community Church of Vero Beach." in the search box. Click on the drop down box for The Community Church of Vero Beach, and the live-stream page will come up.



**ZOOM COFFEE HOUR:** Begins at 11:30 a.m. following our 10:15 a.m. Sanctuary worship. Virtual Coffee hour will be held every Sunday. Visit <https://ccovb.org/coffee/> for login instructions, or call the Church Office for connection assistance.

**DIAL-A-SERMON:** We have a dedicated phone line for people to call and hear the sermon from Sunday. The sermon will be updated by Thursday each week. We hope this will be a meaningful way to stay connected. Those interested in hearing the sermon may call 772.410.5835.

**FACEBOOK:** If you would like to receive a daily word of hope please visit us on our Facebook Pages:

- The Main Church Facebook page may be found at: [www.facebook.com/CCOVb.org](https://www.facebook.com/CCOVb.org)
- Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland's Wednesday Minister's Blog: [www.facebook.com/AnnaVCopelandBlog](https://www.facebook.com/AnnaVCopelandBlog)
- The C<sup>2</sup> Facebook page may be found at: [www.facebook.com/C2Worship](https://www.facebook.com/C2Worship)
- The Children and Youth Facebook page may be found at: [www.facebook.com/CommotionYouth](https://www.facebook.com/CommotionYouth)
- The Music and Fine Arts Facebook page may be found at: [www.facebook.com/CCOVBDepartmentOfMusic](https://www.facebook.com/CCOVBDepartmentOfMusic)

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:** The Church Office will close at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25th and remain closed Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for Thanksgiving. We will re-open Sunday, November 29th at 8:00 a.m.

**ON-LINE OR TEXT GIVING:** We appreciate your generosity as we seek to continue the work of God in Vero Beach. For your convenience, you can give either by texting or going online to our website. Your information is held securely by a SSL encrypted connection, will remain private, and is never given away to third parties, other than to process your scheduled contributions.

•**Text to Give:** You can text a dollar amount to 772.222.3393. You will be asked to set up an account. From then on, you will be able to text a designated amount any time you'd like, just by sending the dollar amount to the number.

•**Online Giving:** Visit our website at [www.ccovb.org](http://www.ccovb.org). Click on the "GIVE" tab and follow the instructions. You can give one time or set up recurring gifts.

•**In-house Giving:** Please place your offering in the wooden Offering Boxes, by the doors in the Narthex as you leave worship today.

•**Give By Mail:** You may also mail a check to the Church Office. Thank you for your generosity.

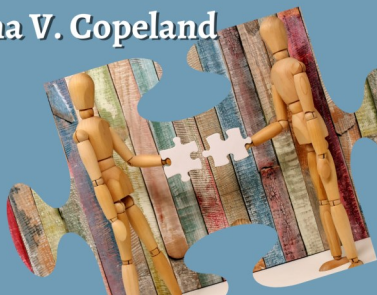
## NEW MEMBER CLASS

Learn More About Community Church

Zoom with Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

Today at 1:00 p.m.

Info: 772.562.3633



## Thanksgiving Interfaith Service



All are Welcome!

Interfaith Worship on Zoom

Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Register at

[interfaithcommunitycfl@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithcommunitycfl@gmail.com)



**NEW MEMBER CLASS TODAY:** If you are interested in learning more about our Church and want to consider becoming a member, please join Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland today at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom. For more information you may contact Suzanne Rice at 772.562.3633 or email [suzanne.rice@ccovb.org](mailto:suzanne.rice@ccovb.org). Visit <https://ccovb.org/next-steps/membership> to sign up.

**INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE TOMORROW:** All are invited to the annual Indian River Interfaith Thanksgiving Community Service. This year the service will be held via Zoom on Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. The Thanksgiving Service will include musical, liturgical, and worship movements, including litanies and reflections, from a variety of faith communities and perspectives. Register for the Zoom link by emailing [interfaithcommunitycfl@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithcommunitycfl@gmail.com).

**BIBLE STUDIES:** Bible Studies will take a break and resume the week of November 30th.

**CHRISTIAN BELIEVER:** Christian Believer will meet as scheduled Tuesday, November 24th.

## MUSIC AND FINE ARTS SAVE THE DATE

**ADVENT ORGAN AND POETRY:** This annual part of our Music and Fine Arts Ministry invites nationally-recognized poets to read their works, highlighted by organ repertoire and improvisation by Andrew R. Galuska. Join us as we begin the holiday season with music and the spoken word. This year we welcome Denise Duhamel, Sean Sexton, and Brian Turner. Attend live in the Sanctuary or tune in at [www.facebook.com/ccovb.org](http://www.facebook.com/ccovb.org). Masks are required. Free-will offering accepted. For more information call 772.562.3633

**COMFORT AND JOY: A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:** Save the date for Sunday, December 13th! Our annual Christmas gift to the community will feature musicians from The Community Church as well as Tapestry Brass and special guest performers. This year, we will present the concert twice! Once at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Tickets are free, but a reservation is required to attend due to limited seating. To reserve your spot call Staci Rosbury at 772.778.1070 or email [irsymphonic@gmail.com](mailto:irsymphonic@gmail.com). by December 10th. A free-will offering will be accepted and masks are required. Join us to hear the sounds of the season!

## Advent

Organ and Poetry Series

Thursdays in Advent @ 11:00 a.m.

Begins December 3, 2020

Susan Duhamel, guest poet

Attend Live at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary or Tune in at [www.facebook.com/ccovb.org](http://www.facebook.com/ccovb.org)

Info: Call 772.562.3633  
The Community Church of Vero Beach  
1901 23rd St. Vero Beach FL 32960

## Comfort and Joy: A Christmas Celebration

Sunday, December 13, 2020

4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Seating Limited Reservation Required Masks Required

Free-Will Offering

Reservations/Tickets: Phone: 772.778.1070 Email: [irsymphonic@gmail.com](mailto:irsymphonic@gmail.com)

Attend In-Person or Attend On-line at [facebook.com/ccovb.org](http://facebook.com/ccovb.org)

The Community Church of Vero Beach, 1901 23rd St., Vero Beach, FL 32960 · 772.562.3633



## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH ADVENTURE CLUB CALL TO ACTION:** On Wednesday, December 3rd we would like to have a bonfire on the beach at sunset with s'mores to remember what we are thankful for in the year of 2020. However, there is no public property in Indian River or Saint Lucie counties where it is legal to hold a bonfire. If you know of some private property with beach access and have a solution to this problem, please contact Rev. Joshua J. Longbottom at [joshua.longbottom@ccovb.org](mailto:joshua.longbottom@ccovb.org) to help our middle school youth's dreams come true.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR JINGLE JAM:** Jingle Jam, our Advent Extravaganza, will be on Saturday, December 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We will practice social distancing and masks are required to attend and volunteer. If you are willing to help with a craft table or game, please contact Elizabeth Johnson at [elizabeth.johnson@ccovb.org](mailto:elizabeth.johnson@ccovb.org).



## MISSION-SERVING THE COMMUNITY

**CHRISTMAS WISH TREE:** For years, Community Church has played Santa for children all over Indian River County, by taking tags from the Wish Tree and purchasing a gift. It is true that COVID has made life more complicated, but not even COVID can steal the Christmas Wish Tree from the 350+ children who will be recipients of our gift giving this year! Our tree will be a virtual one but the Agencies we partner with are real. We will be gifting children from Dasie Bridgewater, Indian River County Healthy Start, Childcare Resources, Feed the Lambs, ESOL/Migrant Students, Guardians for New Futures, and the Homeless Middle School program.

For information about how you can be a Santa, even if you are still up north (at the North Pole?), please go to [ccovbwishtree.org](http://ccovbwishtree.org) to take a name (or two) from our virtual tree. There will be instructions there for how to proceed. Gifts are due back to the Church by December 6th. Thank you for helping bring joy to a child in this challenging year.

**HOW WE CAN HELP:** If you are facing health issues, have been furloughed, or lost your job and are in need of support for food, housing, or medical assistance, Community Church has support for those within our church family. Please contact Rev. David W. Johnson at [david.johnson@ccovb.org](mailto:david.johnson@ccovb.org).

### **HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

- Share prayers online at [www.ccovb.org](http://www.ccovb.org) or pray for others.
- Build and strengthen community through regular calls to your friends and neighbors, and continue with your Circle of Care calls.
- Contribute through donations to the CCOVB general fund, to the Deacons Fund, or to the Minister's Discretionary Fund to support the work and outreach of the Church for staff, church members, and wider needs in the community.
- Serve through mission initiatives that are able to carry on their ministry in a safe manner. Contact Rev. David W. Johnson for more information.
- Send letters of encouragement to members and friends of the Church to connect with and support one another.
- Be the eyes and ears, hands and feet of the community, let your ministers know through the Church Office who may be in need of assistance.





## Poinsettias for Christmas

If you would like to help decorate the Church for the holiday season by donating a poinsettia in memory of or in honor of someone special, please complete the form below and drop it off with your payment of \$25 to the Church Office or place them in an offering box in the Narthex. Deadline for Purchase is Sunday, December 13, 2020. For more information please call 772.562.3633 or email [suzanne.rice@ccovb.org](mailto:suzanne.rice@ccovb.org).

### PLEASE PRINT:

Name:

Phone Number:

Email:

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**PASTORAL VISITATION:** If you or a family member is in the hospital, our ministers will be happy to visit. Current hospital policy states that you must request a visit to allow a ministerial visit in the hospital. After requesting a visit, please notify the ministry staff by emailing Suzanne Rice at [suzanne.rice@ccovb.org](mailto:suzanne.rice@ccovb.org) or calling the Church Office at 772.562.3633.

**PRAYER:** If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, there are numerous ways to submit a request. You may:

- In-Person: Fill out a prayer card during Sunday worship and drop it in an offering box in the Narthex.
- Online: Email Suzanne Rice at [suzanne.rice@ccovb.org](mailto:suzanne.rice@ccovb.org); submit through our church website, [www.ccovb.org](http://www.ccovb.org).
- Call the Church Office at 772.562.3633.

**CONTACT A MINISTER:** During this time when we are sheltering in place, we want to stay connected to you. Each week there will be a minister on call whom you may contact by email for conversation, pastoral care, or prayer. Our minister on call is Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson. You may reach her by email at [elizabeth.johnson@ccovb.org](mailto:elizabeth.johnson@ccovb.org).

**Church Office:** 1901 23rd Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960

**Office Hours:** Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Phone:** 772.562.3633

**Pastoral Care: (after hours)** 772.617.4324

**Fax:** 772.562.9425

**Email:** [info@ccovb.org](mailto:info@ccovb.org)

**Website:** [www.ccovb.org](http://www.ccovb.org)