

Evangelical Covenant Church
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This Week in Our Church Family

Today, Sunday, May 10, 2026- Confirmation Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Scripture	Libbie Sawyer and Atley McCabe
Ushers	Glen Foss, Melanie Harms

Next Sunday, May 17, 2026

9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Scripture	Nikki Foss
Ushers	Jesse Balk, Ahlden Harms

A photograph of a hand holding a Bible, set against a background of a sunset or sunrise over a field. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white box.

“Those
who
love me
will keep
my word,
and
my Father
will love
them.”

John 14:23, NRSV



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Confirmation Sunday
May 10, 2026

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Greeting Time

Call to Worship

L: Christ is risen!
P: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!
L: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
P: By His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope
L: Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
P: And into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading kept in heaven for all who believe.
L: Christ our Lord is risen!
P: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise song: "As We Gather"
Invocation
Praise song: "Take My Life"

Scripture Readings: *Libbie Sawyer & Atley McCabe*
Gospel: John 14:15-21
New Testament: Acts 2:37-42

Testimonies of the Confirmands

Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #372 "Change My Heart O God"

Sermon: "The Gift of God"

Rite of Confirmation
Kameron Kief & Lucas Rodeen

The Lord's Supper
Invitation to the Table
Affirmation of Faith: #878 Apostles' Creed
Hymn: #571 "In the Breaking of the Bread"
Words of Institution
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Benediction

Hymn of Response: #251 "Easter Song"

Postlude

Long Term/Home Care

Betty Lesus

Missions

Cathy Campobello
(Medellin, Colombia)
Joe & Tammy Faulkinbury *(Covenant Mountain Mission Bible Camp; Jonesville, VA)*
Ted & Sharon Wingo *(South Carolina)*
Greta Henry *(Merci Ministries; Champaign, IL)*

Announcements

Sunday, May 24 will be our last day of Sunday School classes until the fall. Beginning Sunday, May 31 worship will begin at 9:30am.

VBS will begin Sunday, May 31 at 6pm. Children PreK-5th grade are eligible to attend. See insert for more information.

If you would like to volunteer to help at VBS there is a signup on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

There will be a reception downstairs following the worship service.

**Offering plates are located in the back of the church*