The Ministry of Faith Formation (MoFF) is excited to announce the arrival of our NEW *Glory to God* hymnals! While we have been using the contents of *Glory to God* in our worship services for over two years, new purple hardcover copies will be placed in our sanctuary pews on Sunday, September 11th as we begin a new program year.

*Glory to God*, the current Presbyterian hymnal, was published in 2013. It contains 853 hymns, psalms, and songs. About 400 hymns are carried over from the 1990 blue hymnal—including many of the hymns we sing at Covenant. There are more than 450 new hymns that come from older Presbyterian hymnals, other songbooks, and individual composers and authors. A brief note is included with each hymn, providing information about its music, theology, or history. *Glory to God* reflects broader diversity of the church, incorporating many different musical styles: traditional, spirituals, folk, gospel, jazz, contemporary, and global music are all well-represented.

**Hymnal Dedications**

Covenant members may dedicate sanctuary hymnals in honor of or in memory of loved ones, with a permanent plaque inside the front cover. You may complete an online form HERE or fill out a paper form, available from a church usher on Sunday or in the church office during the week. To dedicate one hymnal, the suggested donation is $25 or as you are able. Members will be asked to select a dedication “In HONOR of” or “In MEMORY of” a special person. Consider the name and identification of the person as you would like it to appear on the customized dedication plaque that will be located inside the front cover (e.g. “In Honor of Suzanne A. Woolworth, Sister of Ann Williams,” or “In Memory of Rev. James Dowd”).

**Personal Hymnal Copies**

The church office will also take orders if members wish to purchase personal copies for use at home. Members wishing to own one or more hard copies of *Glory to God* may order one through the church. Purchase cost is $25, including shipping. Orders for personal copies will be taken through September 30, 2022, using an online form (HERE), or by obtaining a form in the church office. Hymnals will be received at the church, and members will be notified when they are available for pick up. Members wishing to obtain a digital copy of the hymnal for their iPad tablet, may search for “Glory to God Hymnal” in the Apple App Store. The free download includes the pew version of all 235 public domain hymns. Additional in-app purchases allow you to add copyrighted hymns, a large-print edition, and other versions of the hymnal.

**Hymnal Dedication and Personal Copy Payment**

You may submit payment through the church office or on our church website, through Realm. To access online giving, click THIS LINK to go to Covenant’s “Giving” webpage. At the bottom of the page, click the “Make a Donation” button, which will take you into Realm, our online giving portal. You may select “Hymnal” from the drop-down Fund menu, and your contribution will be documented with Este Pozza, our church finance manager. If you want to write a check, please make it payable to “The Church of the Covenant” and include “New Hymnal” in the memo line of the check.

**Celebrating the arrival of *Glory to God* at Covenant**

MoFF will sponsor a Hymn Sing event this fall to help familiarize us with new hymns and enjoy many of our familiar favorites. Look for more specifics on the after-worship event in the coming weeks!