

In the Spirit

A newsletter for the Libertyville Covenant church family about local happenings and Christian issues.

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The Deadline for the
November *In the Spirit* is
Monday, October 14th.
Please send items to
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Word and Work

by Neale Murray, Outreach Chair

As you read this we will be in the middle of our congregation's ministry fair. The Outreach Committee has decided this time to extend the fair over a several week period with brief presentations each Sunday as a part of our worship service.

The theme of this fair is the title of this article "Word and Work" and it is the thinking behind that theme that I hope to explain to you in this article. As a start in this explanation I would remind you of a series of presentations which we all witness every evening if we watch the network evening news. Those presentations are the constant drug commercials that interrupt the narrative and images of the days' newsworthy events. If you will recall, in those drug commercials when they give you the "pitch" for the medical product it is accompanied by all kinds of attractive

images of healthy and happy people. However they are further obligated to give you the side effects of the drug they are selling. If you can listen carefully these side effects can be dire and sometimes they even include death! What often escapes our notice, however, is that the pleasant and happy images that were presented during the pitch



"Rooted"
in
WORD
and
WORK

continue throughout the disclaimer which is spoken so quickly that it is only minimally intelligible. What these advertisers understand is that those pleasant visual images will substantially drown out the darker implications of the disclaimers. While this is all perfectly legal, what I would like to suggest is that these ads present a discrepancy be-

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Ministry Fair

DEACONS

Sunday, September 22

Bible Studies . . . Where is it Written? . . . Young Families "Faith & Fellowship" . . . Worship . . . Choir . . . Worship Arts . . . Worship Team . . . Winchester House . . . Con-dell Worship . . . MOM to MOM

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Sunday, September 29

"Sticky Faith" . . . "Sticky Buddies" . . . Nursery . . . Children's Ministries . . . Kids Club . . . Youth Groups . . . Volunteer Ministries . . . Camping . . .

FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, October 6

Coffee Hour . . . Wednesday night dinners . . . Showers . . . Fireside Dinner Fellowship . . . Progressive Dinner . . . Pot-luck Groups . . .

STEWARDSHIP & TRUSTEES

Sunday, October 13

Time . . . Talent . . . Treasure . . . Facility and Property Care . . . Work Days . . . Edible Garden . . .

OUTREACH—LOCAL

Sunday, October 20

Food Pantry . . . Love INC . . . Starter Kits . . . PADS . . . Adopt-a-Family . . .

OUTREACH—WORLD

Sunday, October 27

Feed My Starving Children . . . Covenant World Relief . . . Missions . . .

CULMINATING "WORD & WORK" EVENT

Word and Work *Continued from page 1*

tween word and work.

The word I would like to use to highlight this discrepancy is "integrity." One of the definitions that my dictionary gives for that word is "The quality or state of being complete or undivided." The word is related to the word integrate which means "to coordinate or blend into a functioning whole." What is obviously happening in the commercials I have mentioned is that the words and the images are not integrated and only function by letting the images dominate over the clearly unpleasant meaning of the legally obligated words. While it is never explicitly stated, it is intended that most of us see those happy images in the commercials as the works those drugs produce.

I mention this example in order to state that we should not have this discrepancy between what we say and what we do. The word integrity should be aptly and correctly applied to us as disciples of Jesus. The word that we offer the world in this role is that God loves us and offers himself to us in the person of Jesus. With that proclamation comes the obligation to connect and integrate our actions with our announcement of the compassion of God.

The Outreach Committee is sponsoring this ministry fair in order to give each of you as members of our congregation the opportunity of further making our word and work one so that the Kingdom of God may be truly seen as happening among us. Each of the brief Sunday presentations is meant to tell you of the purpose and needs of that ministry and to

offer you the possibility of joining in that Kingdom effort. Some of the presentations will deal with the possibility of direct physical support of people in need and other ministries will deal more with the background structure which makes those direct expressions of God's love possible.

What the committee asks of each of you is that you carefully and prayerfully reflect on your gifts and inclinations and see if there is some way that those abilities and interests can connect with the purposes and needs of the ministries presented. What we are not trying to do is create a sense of guilt and legalistic obligation that forces you grudgingly into these commitments. We fully understand how much so many of you are already doing and do not wish to make a busy life even busier so that you have little time for furthering your relationship with the God you serve. We know that many of you bring a Christian sense of vocation to your jobs and that will be the primary way you serve God, but if any of you feel the touch of God's spirit to further involve yourself in the work of his Kingdom that we are presenting to you, we offer you an open invitation to make this a time of further commitment and discipleship.

A final word I would offer in helping you consider whether you would like to engage in one of these direct or indirect ministries. It is a question that I ask of myself and I ask of you. Am I living a life of integrity; are word and work connected in my life as a follower of Jesus?

Culminating the Ministry Fair



Sunday, October 27th

9:15 Worship (WORD)

11:00 FMSC (ACTION)

This fall we have heard stories, learned about new opportunities, and have been given the chance to connect with vital ministries that function within and outside of our church. Each ministry in their own way connects two elements, **Word and Response**. We are formed by the Word (scripture) and we respond to that Word through acts of service, fellowship, and integration into our daily lives. In many ways this is the model for a life of worship where we hear the Word and we respond to that Word, allowing it to lead and direct our daily lives.

On **October 27th**, the outreach committee would like to conclude the ministry Fair series with a culminating event for our church putting these two elements into practice. The **Worship Service** will begin at **9:15 a.m.** highlighting the reformation and the interplay between the Word and our response.

As a continuation of the service, the congregation is encouraged to respond to God's word by heading down the street to serve together at **Feed My Starving Children** from **10:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.** This great organization has created a special session of service and meal packing for the congregation of LCC. There are still a few small details to square away, but we are working to make the FMSC component of worship available for everyone to participate. Childcare will be provided here at church for children under five.

We believe this kind of engaging experience is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to church as an entry point into the life of our church family.

In the coming weeks we will have more information and opportunities to contribute and sign up for the 27th!



Little children,
let us love,
not in word or speech,
but in truth
and action.
1 John 3:18



Adult Sunday School

October 6 & 13

**"Where is it Written?" -
Sunday Edition**

Ken Greenfield & Ben Palmberg will facilitate as they give us a "taste" of what this newly formed small group is doing the 1st and 3rd Friday evenings of each month.

October 20th we will begin two six-week classes:

Sanctuary Class—Steve Pointer will lead a *"People of Faith"* video series. This series examines the spiritual visionaries, leaders and entrepreneurs who shaped Christianity in America. You'll also learn about key events, movements, and controversies that continue to affect us and will influence the future of the church in America.

Fellowship Hall Class—will view and discuss the *"Parenting A New Generation"* video series. This series examines the challenges that parents and youth pastors face in trying to raise and lead teens in today's world. In this series Chap Clark (Ph.d.) fresh insight, and gives practical ways for adults to relate to this generation. In keeping with our focus on intergenerational "sticky faith" this track will be appropriate both for parents and non-parents alike.

Sticky Buddies



At the church family retreat we initiated a new program called **“Sticky Buddies.”** Each youth at the retreat (ages k-college) shared prayer requests for the upcoming school year. They were then matched with an adult **“Sticky Buddy”** who is committed to praying for them and encouraging them throughout the year through conversation, letters, e-mails, etc. We are now in the process of expanding this program to reach all of our students. Sign up now to be a “Sticky Buddy” and look for ways you or your child can be involved.

See Pastor Brian or Maria if you have questions.



Bible Studies

Adult Study—Wednesday evenings

On Wednesday night at 6:45 p.m. Pastor Bob will be leading us as we explore the Bible through a video series entitled ***“That The World May Know”*** with biblical teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan who is an ordained minister with the Christian Reformed Church and has completed graduate studies in Jewish Studies in the U.S. Israel, Turkey and Egypt. His teaching focuses on understanding the Bible by guiding people through the land, culture and historical context of Scripture. Filmed on location in the Middle East, we will see and hear the significance of biblical stories in the life of God's people then and now and how they call us to faith. The first 5 weeks will help us discover why God guided his people to the particular land known as the Promised Land as we go to 4 Tells (the word for archeological city sites) and the Jordan River. After each video presentation, we will have the opportunity to discuss its significance for the people of God then and now.



Women's Bible Study—Thursday mornings

All women are invited to a Bible study Thursday mornings from 9:15 until 11:00. The time includes coffee, singing and worship, structured Bible study using a study guide, and prayer. The group is studying the life and teaching of Paul. If you need a book see or call Linda Baumann at 847-543-4955. Our first morning will be on Thursday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m. for an introduction to the Bible Study and a time to Share Summer Memories. Those who wish could bring a snack to share.

Men's Bible Study – Friday mornings

Join us at 7 a.m. for a Bible Study on each week's sermon text, along with donuts and coffee. For information contact Chris Becker chris@beckercrew.com

COMING FDF EVENTS:

Sunday, October 13, 3:30 p.m.

Organ Concert

Thursday, November 14, 6 p.m. Soup Supper

Thursday, December 5, 6 p.m. Christmas Smorgasbord & Program

PING PONG: Men of the church (and friends) are invited to play ping pong on the first and third and fifth Thursdays of each month. Play begins in the church basement at 7:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for friendly competition and informal fellowship. It also provides a non-threatening means of inviting friends to church activities. If you have questions, contact John Hjelm at jhjelm313@gmail.com

Pastoral Search Update & Prayer Request

Pray for the Search Committee:

Pray for patience. Pray that the group would wait for God's timing.

Pray that your search committee will have the mind of Christ and agree.

Much of the process is subjective. Personal opinions and preferences are involved. Differences can divide. Ask that they would heed Paul's advice for unity, having the humble attitude of Jesus Christ. (Philippians 2:1-12, especially verse 5). It is so easy for us consciously-or unconsciously- to bring our own agendas into church business.

Pray for wisdom to choose the right person. Pray that the pastoral search committee will renew their minds in the Bible so that they can have Word-centered wisdom (Romans 12: 1-2).

Pray for discipline for your search committee and other church leaders. The search process will require a great deal of follow-through on the parts of individuals. It will also require that they do not digress from the agenda or retrace decisions they have already made. Pray for unity and agreement between your elders and the pastoral search committee.

Pray for Your Next Pastor:

Pray that God would increase his passion for preaching the Word of God.

Pray that God would give him a love for your church and the strength to leave his current position (if the candidate senses that is God's direction).

Pray that your next pastor would begin relationships at your church in the right way, even during the search process.

Pray that God would prepare your future pastor to shepherd your flock more effectively through the trials and blessings he currently faces.

Pray for your next pastor's family. Pray that God, who knows each detail about each member of your pastor's household, would give the members of his family strength as they consider leaving their current setting and going to a different church, or beginning pastoral ministry for the first time.

Pray for the People in Your Church:

Pray for patience. The search process can go on longer than expected. It is hard for people doing the work of searching. It is also difficult for those in the congregation who must wait without knowing exactly what is going on. Pray that your people would trust the leadership and uphold you during the whole process.

Pray that your people would learn to place a high priority on biblical preaching. It is easy to gravitate toward personality, programs, a particular "ideal" age, etc. Pray that, above all, the congregation would call a pastor who will proclaim the Word without apology.

Pray that your people would not react to a previous pastor. Some churches struggle with wanting a pastor who is like their old one (they had a good experience). Other churches want someone who is just the opposite.

Brauns, Chris. *When the Word Leads Your Pastoral Search*. Chicago, IL: Moody Publishers, 2011.

Search Update

As you may know, the "Information Gathering Stage" has been completed. The job description was approved by Council and will be available to view on the website soon. Please read it so that you may be aware of the requirements we are looking to find in our next pastor. The church profile has also been completed which will give potential candidates a detailed description of our church and our community. Thank you to all who completed our congregational survey. The results have been analyzed and organized into a report that was discussed at Adult Sunday School on September 15th. If you were unable to attend, additional copies of the survey will be available at church soon. Our next meeting will be on October 1st. We will be meeting with our conference Superintendent, Jerome Nelson to begin to look at resumes of candidates who matched up with our profile. Please continue to pray for this very important process! Below is a list of specific prayer requests for pastoral searches. Thank you for your support and please feel free to seek out a committee member if you have any questions.

Financial Summary thru August 2013

Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 341,283
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 335,988
Cost Savings/ (Overrun)	\$ 5,294

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET GIVING VS. BUDGET

Giving YTD	\$ 263,198
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 341,283
Budget (Deficit)/Surplus	\$ (78,085)

INCOME VS. EXPENSES

Income YTD	\$ 263,198
Expenses YTD	\$ 335,988
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (72,790)



The Council has approved an online giving option that many Covenant Churches are using. You can access it through our website at www.libcov.org

If you have any questions, contact our Financial Secretaries,
Lee & Caren Vollrath
847-549-6906

Check out www.libcov.org for copies of the sermons and to get details of what is happening around LCC.

Please join us for the
Love INC of Lake County
Annual Dinner

Gala

& Auction

Midlane Golf Resort
4555 W. Yorkhouse Rd., Wadsworth IL

Friday, October 11, 2013
6:00 pm - Social Hour & Silent Auction
7:00 pm - Dinner & Program

\$65/person
or
\$500/table of 8
Purchase tickets online
www.loveincclakecounty.org
or call 847-731-0526

*Celebrating 20 Years
of Amazing Love*

Items needed for Love INC starter kits:

- ♥ Pot Holders
- ♥ White towels all sizes
(ALWAYS NEEDED)
- ♥ Pots & Frying Pans
- ♥ Spatulas
- ♥ Serving Platters
- ♥ Bake ware
- ♥ Cookie Sheets
- ♥ Can Openers
- ♥ Casserole Dishes
- ♥ Drinking Glasses

A box for usable items you wish to donate, is at the end of the hall across from the nursery and Bob & Tricia Sorensen will see that they are delivered to the proper place. **Thank you!**

PADS

The kids are back in school which means it is time to start planning for the PADS winter season! Every year on the third weekend of the month, October – April, LCC provides breakfast, lunch and dinner for 40-60 homeless people at the United Methodist Church. In addition to providing the meals, we have committed to setting up the beds and converting the space from a fellowship hall into a shelter. Many of you have been helping with this ministry for years, and we appreciate your support! For more information about this ministry contact Twyla at **847-548-1960** or Twyla@BeckerCrew.com.

PADS BEGINS OCTOBER 19

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are in need of help with the PADS lunches and breakfast items for our October Commitment on Saturday, 10/19. If you are willing to donate (food or money) towards these meals, please email Twyla Becker at Twyla@BeckerCrew.com



Our Friends at Winnetka Covenant have invited us to a Fundraiser/Social to hear what Lumunos is doing. There will be appetizers, refreshments, a raffle, and bocce ball for those that want to play. Save the date: Sunday, November 10, 2013 4-7 p.m. at Pinstripes, Northbrook, IL Suggested donation is \$30. Please watch for details to come soon.



**An All Church/Community
Organ Concert!**
Sunday, October 13, 2013
3:30 P.M.

Organist Michael Gagne graduated from North Park University with a B.A. in Music. He is the Director of Music at Faith Lutheran Church in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He has performed at many notable churches including North Park Covenant Church and as an accomplished musician he is in demand as an accompanist. You may recall that he was with us for a worship service last fall and we thoroughly enjoyed his organ skills.

Come and hear the wondrous sounds of the organ as it was meant to be heard. Hear works written by composers such as Johann Sebastian Bach, Harm Hoeve, Charles Callahan, Dan Locklair, Leon Boellmann and other composers for the organ as performed by organist Michael Gagne on our state of the art 3 manual Rodgers digital organ.

Also included will be the ever popular hymn-sing with the audience. This is a concert not to be missed!

Refreshments served by Fireside Dinner Fellowship will follow the concert and allow you to meet and enjoy Michael and others. Donations will be shared with Michael and PADS Lake County.

Coffee Hour Volunteer Rotation

The assigned family if they are coming to Sunday School, Worship team, or anyone else that comes early should start the coffee so that it is done before Sunday School starts at 9:15 am. Directions for the coffee machine are posted on the wall next to the machine in the office kitchen. Coffee and filters are in the cabinet above the sink. Two pots of regular, one decaf and a hot water should be prepared.



The rotation for Coffee hour includes most families in our congregation. The responsibilities include providing a simple treat of some kind (coffee cake, cookies, donuts holes, fruit, etc.) and setting it up on the buffet table. It would be nice to have some treats (don't put everything out) available at 10:00 am so they are ready when Sunday School dismisses and then replenish the table for fellowship hour after the 10:30 service. It will also be necessary to check the coffee pots to see if they need replenishing. After the service when things slow down, please empty the pots and rinse them out in the office sink. Please leave the lids on the pots open so they dry out. Please bring (or ask a willing person) to bring the tubs of dirty cups down to the kitchen and load them in the dishwasher and start the dishwasher. Thank you!

COUNCIL & STAFF

Please pray for the church council and staff. Contact them if you have questions, ideas or would like to get involved in a particular ministry.

Interim Pastor: Bob Tenglin
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Outreach Committee Chair:
Neale Murray (262/697-1825)

Stewardship Committee Chair:
Ken Werner (847/438-5586)

Trustee Committee Chair:
Bill Glader (847/838-0071)

LIBERTYVILLE COVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

SR. HIGH YOUTH

Youth Group: 6-8 p.m.
October 6, 13, 20 & 27
Check Point: 6:15-7:45 p.m.
October 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

SH Fall Retreat Nov 15-17th

The senior high fall retreat is the highlight of the fall! It is a great chance to spend a fun and relaxing weekend together laughing and going deeper in our walk with Christ. This year we are focusing on the idea of recognizing where God has been, is, and will be working in our lives! Students can expect to grow closer in relationships, deeper in their understanding of faith, and tired from laughing so much over the weekend! Cost \$ 60 (covers food and lodging)

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH

Youth Group: 6:30—7:45 p.m.
October 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

JUNIOR HIGH Fall Retreat October 18-20th

Fall retreats are a great way to get away for the weekend and develop deeper relationships with each other while we dig deeper into our faith. This year we will be joining up with Redeemer Life on an exciting Friday evening event (mystery) and then heading up to Elkhorn, WI for Saturday and Sunday morning to explore what it means to be rooted in Christ! Cost for the weekend is \$60 (covers food & housing).

CONFIRMATION

Sunday 9:15-10:15 a.m.
October 6, 13, 27
(no Confirmation October 20 or 27)
Contact Pastor Brian & Peter Chang
if you have questions.

Conversations Between Parents and Teenagers Improving Your Game, Part 1

By [Susan Oh Cha](#), [Yumi Bryana Cha](#)

In many ways, what happens in tennis parallels conversations between parents and their teenagers. In tennis, we have to know the game. In our families, we have to know each other.

In tennis, I have to know where to hit the ball in order to win. There are clear lines that I should not cross if I want to score. It is the same in parent-teen relationships: If parents want their kids to talk to them, it's important that they communicate within the boundaries of what is respectful and loving.

If my mom and I do not really know each other, then our talks will feel superficial. When we aren't considerate of each other's feelings, we end up hurting each other. And when I want to express my thoughts and feelings, but my mom is not focused on what I'm sharing, I feel like walking out of the room altogether. All of these can result in lost opportunities to connect.

Susan's View

People speak an average of 16,000 words per day. ¹ Of these, parents may use hundreds of words each day to communicate with their teenagers.

This raises some questions for me as a parent. What percentage of our family's conversations is about getting to know each other more? What percentage of our conversations consists of words that are disrespectful and hurtful? What percentage of our conversations indicates a readiness to hear one another?

The average parent wants to know their kids and to be available to dialogue with them. Most do not intend harm. In fact, we love our kids; we want what is best for them. We are often willing to sacrifice ourselves to ensure that they are healthy and happy. However, these thoughts and feelings are not communicated well when we spend much of our time lecturing, making discouraging comments, withholding permission for their requests, and threatening them in order to control their behaviors.

Let's take a look at a model of a parent who connects authentically and positively with his children. From the very beginning in Genesis, God relates to humanity in the following ways: ²

Actions	Manifested in Words
Instructing	"Be fruitful and increase in number" 1:28
Empowering	"Rule over... every living creature" 1:28
Providing	"I give you every seed-bearing plant... They will be yours" 1:29
Affirming	"God saw all that he had made, and it was very good" 1:31
Setting Boundaries	"...you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil..." 2:17

The story of our relationship with God begins with words that instruct, empower, provide, affirm, and set limits – words that help us thrive rather than fail. These words set the tone for the unfolding of events and interactions in human history.

Of course we can't measure up to God as parents. However, God calls us to be a reflection of him to the world. This means that by God's grace and strength, we need to parent our children as God has demonstrated in parenting us – through words that forge a healthy connection.

Get the full article @ <http://fulleryouthinstitute.org/articles/conversations-between-parents-and-teenagers>

Children's Ministries



IN OCTOBER & NOVEMBER WE FOCUS ON OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Since 1993, more than 100 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's

Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ. On Saturday, November 16th the young families group will work together to pack 40 shoe boxes assembly line style as part of our night of service event.

How can you be involved? Sign-up to donate items for our box packing party and/or pack a box at home. Grab a shoe box and head to the dollar store. Items to include: School supplies, soap & washcloth, toothbrush & toothpaste, small toys & games, candy. Visit <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/> for more specific direction on how to pack a box. Bring your boxes to church on or before Sunday, November 17th as we celebrate together with a special box dedication ceremony. Following the dedication we will bring all of the boxes to the collection point.



YOUNG FAMILIES "NIGHT OF SERVICE" November PADS & Pizza Night Saturday, November 16th 5:30 p.m.

We will meet at the Methodist church to set up the PADS and make the lunches.

We will then return to LCC for a pizza party. Sign up on the Children's Ministry Bulletin Board to help or to donate an item. We will end the evening together packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Sunday November 10th

Our Sunday School Children are sponsoring a bake sale on Sunday, November 10th. They are hoping to earn the money needed for postage to send their Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to Children around the world.



Sunday, November 17th

We will be dedicating our Operation Christmas Child Boxes during the 10:30 Worship time. The Children will be singing as we celebrate the conclusion of this project and pray for the children who will be receiving these gifts.

Maria Zahasky,
Children's
Ministry Director
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maria.zahasky@gmail.com





NURSERY NEWS

Our nurseries are very busy again with the start of Sunday School, Kid's Club, and Mom's Group.

The Wednesday evening Mom's Group began on September 11 and we had four children in the Infant Nursery. Cindy LaPradd will be helping me on Wednesday evenings this year.

The Friday morning Mom's Group began on September 27. Both nurseries will be available and Karin Anderson will again be the nursery coordinator for this year. Thanks to the many volunteers who make this ministry possible.

Mayumi Aaberg has been added to the Sunday School nursery rotation and will also be helping with the Friday morning Mom's Group in the preschool nursery.

Jonah Zahasky, son of Pastor Brian and Maria, was dedicated on September 15. All of Jonah's grandparents were able to join the family for this celebration and to celebrate Drew's 6th birthday.



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Early Childhood
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SMALL GROUPS



MOMs with children of all ages are invited to gather twice a month for "**MOM to MOM**" a practical ministry where moms can share the

joys and frustrations of motherhood & explore the purposes and promises God gives to parents. Books are \$20. There are 2 options:

The Friday Morning Session meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month during the school year. 9-11 a.m. Childcare is provided. ***We need many volunteers to cover both nurseries & the children's program on these Friday mornings. If you are able to help on a regular basis or just occasionally, please call Karin Anderson at 548-9441.***



The Wednesday Evening Session meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month. Childcare is provided during this time, as well as dinner and Kids Club for children.

Caren Vollrath and Karin Lundstedt facilitate the Friday session and Twyla Becker the Wednesday session. Ann Frost will coordinate the structured kids program on Fridays. *Call the church office 847-362-3308 if you have questions or to let us know you will be a part of the group. Friends and Neighbors are welcome.*

Where Is It Written? A Small Group for All Ages

Come as you can to discuss what the Bible says about relevant questions (arising from personal life, culture, current events, etc.) Burgers, hot dogs, and beverages (and probably more) will be provided. Feel free to bring your kids. We'll keep them occupied somehow.

When: 1st & 3rd Fridays in September
at 5:30 p.m. We'll try to start discussion by 6:30.

Where: The Greenfields': 337 Dalton Avenue, Mundelein or
The Dillon's: 317 2nd Street, Apt. 1, Libertyville

Please RSVP so Food & Childcare can be planned to:
(call or text) 847-373-4482 kennethgreenfield@sbcglobal.net

OCTOBER Birthdays



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| 1 Elias Chang | 14 Chuck Johnson |
| 3 Carolyn Johnson | 15 Christy James |
| 4 Steve Hall | 16 Sarah Nikkel
Mary Gianaras |
| 5 Jesse Lee | 17 Brian Swanson |
| 6 Jackie Pointer | 21 Katie Johnson |
| 7 Sarah Gomez | 22 Sarah Frost |
| 9 William McMinimy
Kerry Monson | 24 Scott Christian |
| 10 Aaron Wyatt | 25 Bill E. Anderson
Bill K. Anderson
John McLinden
Steve Pointer |
| 11 Jim Krueger | |
| 12 Kyle Gustafson | 29 Chad Clausen
Paul Hawkinson |
| 13 Audrey Hawkins
Landon Johnson | 30 Brent Gustafson |

OCTOBER Anniversaries

- 3** Dave & Barb Anderson (1992)
Brent & Brittani Keller (2010)
- 10** Lee & Judie Duba (1969)
- 12** Mike & Ruth Keller (1975)
- 13** Steve & Susan Barg (1984)
- 15** Paul & Claudia Nauman (1983)
Matt & Julie Wojcik (2011)
- 16** Bruce & Merileen Thorson (1971)
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If you don't see your families special days listed, please let the office know so we can keep our records up to date and also celebrate your special occasions with you. Thank you!



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The Evangelical Covenant Church affirms the centrality of the scriptures, with emphasis upon the grace of God. Covenanters also have a tradition of freedom that accepts a diversity of backgrounds and doctrinal positions, while maintaining a common unity in Christ. The Covenant has often been called a Family of Faith. Our congregational life indicates that this is an apt description.

In the Spirit



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OCTOBER 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pastor Bob will be gone October 3-22		1 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Search	2 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. JH Youth 6:15 p.m. Check Point 6:45 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:45 p.m. Choir 8 p.m. Worship Team	3 9:15 a.m. Women's Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong	4 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Where is it written? 6 p.m. Ander- son/Reilly Re- hearsal	5 8 a.m. Furniture & Starter Kit Team 3 p.m. Ander- son/Reilly Wedding
6 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 2:30 p.m. Winchester 4-7 p.m. Young Fami- lies Faith & Fellowship 6-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth	7	8 9 a.m. Food Pantry	9 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. JH Youth 6:15 p.m. Check Point 6:45 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:45 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. MOM to MOM 8 p.m. Worship Team	10 9:15 a.m. Women's Study	11 7 a.m. Men's Study 9 a.m. MOM to MOM Love INC Gala 7 p.m. Re- deemer Life	12
13 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 3:30 p.m. Organ Concert 6-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth	14 Newsletter deadline	15 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Out- reach	16 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. JH Youth 6:15 p.m. Check Point 6:45 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Choir 8 p.m. Worship Team	17 9:15 a.m. Women's Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong 7 p.m. Worship Committee	18 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Where is it written? <div>JH Fall Retreat</div>	19 5:30 p.m. PADS
20 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 4-7 p.m. Young Fami- lies Faith & Fellowship 6-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth <div>JH Fall Retreat</div>	21	22 9 a.m. Food Pantry	23 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. JH Youth 6:15 p.m. Check Point 6:45 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. MOM to MOM 8 p.m. Worship Team	24 9:15 a.m. Women's Study 7 p.m. Deacons	25 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9 a.m. MOM to MOM <div>Council Retreat @ Harbor</div>	26
<div>"Sticky Faith" Conference in CA</div>						
27 Word & Work 9:15 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. FMSC 6-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth	28	29 9 a.m. Food Pantry	30 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. JH Youth 6:15 p.m. Check Point 6:45 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:45 p.m. Choir 8 p.m. Worship Team	31 9:15 a.m. Women's Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong		

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

LAY READER OCTOBER

6 Carol Dieball
13 Kerry Monson
20 Caren Vollrath
27 Ruth Keller

NOVEMBER

3 Michelle Pas
10 Roger Clausen
17 Merileen Thorson
24 Mary Gianaras

FELLOWSHIP HOUR OCTOBER

6 Jim & Michelle Pas
13 Steve & Jackie Pointer
20 Dave & Kari Reid
27 Bob & Tricia Sorensen

NOVEMBER

3 Gene & Bev Sparks
10 Bruce & Merileen Thorson
17 Roch & Kat Tranel
24 Lee & Caren Vollrath

GREETERS OCTOBER

6 Dennis & Carol Dieball
13 Joel & Hannah Dillon
20 Wylie & Ardy Douglass
27 Judie Duba

NOVEMBER

3 Dave & Beth Enquist
10 Dick & Eileen Fehlberg
17 Dan & Ann Frost
24 Mary Gianaras

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY (9:00) OCTOBER

6 Ann Frost & Lee Vollrath
13 Ann Frost & Maggie Johnson
20 Ann Frost & Mayumi Aaberg
27 Ann Frost & Donna Lindley

NOVEMBER

3 Ann Frost & Judie Duba
10 Ann Frost & Joan Groody
17 Ann Frost & Mayumi Aaberg
24 Ann Frost & Maggie Johnson

INFANT NURSERY (10:15 a.m.) OCTOBER

6 Arlene Werner & Karin Hildebrandt
13 Ann Frost & Caren Vollrath
20 Bill & Marti Anderson
27 Ann Frost & Kirsten Peterson

NOVEMBER

3 Ann & Kristen Bethancourt
10 Ann & Kat Tranel
17 Brad & Meghan DeJong
24 Ann & Kat Tranel

PRESCHOOL NURSERY (10:15) OCTOBER

6 Ann Frost & Lori Hartnett
13 John & Bev Hawkins
20 Joel & Hannah Dillon
27 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson

NOVEMBER

3 Bill & Chris Anderson
10 Bill & Jenna Glader
17 Angela Kocinski & Pauline Raia
24 Mark & Christine Cederberg

CHILDREN'S CHURCH OCTOBER

6 Pas Family
13 Nauman Family
20 Becker Family
27 Reid Family

NOVEMBER

3 Dave & Barb Anderson
10 Hawkins Family
17 Vollrath Family
24 Niki Papak & Donna Clark

USHERS

OCTOBER Brent Gustafson, John Hjelm,
Jill Heath, Roger Clausen

NOVEMBER Bob Anderson, Marcia
Junas, Lee Vollrath, Carl Zienty, Ken
Werner, Chuck Johnson

DECEMBER Jim Krueger, Dave Enquist,
Bob Hartnett, Bill Anderson

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are scheduled for, please find
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Thank you.*

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WEDNESDAY DINNER VOLUNTEERS

FOOD PREP & ASSIST JOHN

10/2 Marcia & Jerry Junas
10/9 Maggie Johnson
10/16 Caren Vollrath
10/23 Steve & Jackie Pointer
10/30 Maggie Johnson
11/6 Jerry & Marcia Junas
11/13 Maggie Johnson
11/20 Caren Vollrath

SETUP & SERVE

10/2 Pointers, Hjelsms
10/9 Albers,
10/16 Albers, Hjelsms
10/23 Pointers
10/30 Albers
11/6 Pointers, Hjelsms
11/13 Albers
11/20 Pointers

KITCHEN CLEANUP

10/2 Cederberg
10/9 Cederberg, Albers
10/16 Cederberg, Albers
10/23 Cederberg
10/30 Cederberg, Albers
11/6 Cederberg, Dieball
11/13 Cederberg, Albers
11/20 Cederberg

SHOPPERS: Kat Tranel, Maria Zahasky, Jerry & Marcia Junas, Larissa Greenfield
FLOATERS: Darilyn Anderson, Brenda Monson

TREASURER: John Bethancourt