# 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 October In the Spirit is Monday, September 14. Please send items to marti@libcov.org

## Deep and Wide by Pastor Steve Larson

.ommy, mommy! I made a tree!" At 3 years old, I'm sure I thought this the most normal thing in the world, but my parents were a bit confused by the proclamation from my 6 year old sister. So, they investigated.

Her "tree" was a propeller from our back yard maple, carefully selected, carefully planted in a pot filled with dirt. Given the average gardening skill of your average six year old, my parents found this cute and went about their business. But not my sister. For months she cared for this little seed as it began to sprout and grow. When it outgrew the pot, it was transplanted to the back yard garden. When it outgrew that plot, it was transplanted to the side of the house. And when my sister's six year old children went to grandma and grandpa's house, they gazed upon a 25 foot maple tree, lovingly "made" by their mom.

Last spring we discovered the truth of Paul's statement that "some plant, some

water, but God brings the growth" (1 Cor. 3:6 paraphrased). Just as it wasn't really my sister who "made a tree" in our backvard, so it is not we who bring spiritual growth into our lives. But just as it was really my sister who tended, cared for, and nourished the seedlings, it is we

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who set the conditions for growth in ourselves, our families, and our world.

I believe that God's plan for our lives, for our church, and for His kingdom is growth. And while this growth will take place as God Continued from page 1

sees fit, growth deep into Him and growth wide into the community around us, we are called to worship and learn, to care and give, to love and share ourselves in an effort to nourish the seedlings of faith we find in the world and in ourselves.

In order to do these things, however, we need to build and strengthen our relationships with God and each other and the community around us. We need to continue to be real with ourselves and each other, admitting our faults and celebrating our strengths together. We need to be the priesthood of all believers, taking our mission to heart and participating in it however God sees fit. And we need to continue to be a community with all its joys and struggles.

This fall, we're going to be looking at these things which together form a direction and vision for our church. Join us for worship, invite neighbors and friends, and get ready to grow deeper in Christ and wider in our mission to this community, this garden in which God has planted us.



#### **SEPTEMBER WORSHIP...**

If someone asked you what the mission statement of our church was, could you tell them without looking it up? Most church members in most churches can't. And if we don't know our mission, it becomes infinitely harder to ac-



complish it. This fall, our sermon series will focus on The Mission, looking at the big ideas of the Church, and the big values of our church. This is a great season to invite friends and neighbors to worship to hear just what the church is all about.

## Sunday, September 6—Kick off Libertyville Covenant Church, a growing community

Psalm 1

**9:15 a.m.** Fellowship Coffee and Introduction to Sunday School for all ages. We will have an opportunity to meet the teachers and the Kindergarten Children will be presented with their Bibles.

10:30 a.m. Worship

Sunday, September 13 – We Grow through Worship Psalm 95

Sunday, September 20 – We Grow through Learning Psalm 119:1-11

Sunday, September 27 – We Grow as We Love One Another Psalm 133

#### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 a.m.

This fall, as we explore together the question, "Why are we here?", we'll be doing so in both Worship and our adult Sunday school class. Walking together with Pastor Steve through the ideas of

... Learning ... Growth ... Giving ... Community ... Worship ... Care

and many others, we'll study the biblical idea in Sunday school and then explore the relevant text in our sermon. Come and join us at 9:15am in the sanctuary as we journey and grow together.

### Bible in a Year

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Winchester House Worship September 20th, 2:30 p.m.

## Winchester House September

Birthday Party
Tuesday, September 15th at 2:15 p.m.
See Twyla Becker for details.



#### Church Family Retreat 2015 by The Anderson Family



"Fourth year at 'Church Family' Camp...Time to slow down and let God lead... Renewing my mind in God's word, realizing that nothing is important until you make it that way! I felt Refreshed as I visited with my church friends, making new friendships, reconnecting with my 'sticky buddy', and with my own kids. Revived my body and spirit after spending time enjoying singing camp songs around the camp fire surrounded by large oak and pine trees with the sunset over the lake in the distance. Conference Point Church Family Camp gives a feeling that God

is "directing" through LCC friendships and His creation all around us."

- Karin

"I really liked tubing in the morning and playing flag football with the large group



on Saturday afternoon."

- Luke



"We enjoyed time away from the rush of our everyday lives and to spend an entire weekend with members of



our church family. We reconnected with some and made new friendships with others. I (Scott) enjoyed taking pictures throughout the weekend and being made aware of the interactions of kids and adults of all ages as we spent time as one large blended family. Our (Anderson) family has looked forward to this weekend all vear and God blessed us with memories that will be one of the highlights of our summer."

-Scott & Teresa Anderson

# NF DINNER FEL

invites seniors and friends to the SADDLEBROOK LAKE HOUSE Friday, September 11, 2015 6:00 p.m.



For a "bandtastic" evening of music by the LCC Brass with a potluck supper prepared by Lake County Senior Chefs. Wow!

With the LCC Brass beginning and ending their road tour you won't want to miss this informal night of great entertainment and fellowship!



PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE INFORMATION DESK TO BRING A FOOD ITEM TO SHARE.

#### **SENIOR DAY AT COVENANT HARBOR**



Join Libertyville Covenant Seniors for a trip to Covenant Harbor on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 10 a.m.—3 pm. 10 a.m. — 3 p.m. Cost: \$20 per person

Enjoy a delicious brunch prepared by the food service and a one-hour boat tour, provided by Lake Geneva Cruise Line. Hear an exciting update from ministry leadership about the summer camp season and other developments at Covenant Harbor. Camp tours will be available.

To register, please sign up on the Information Desk and fill out the Senior Day Registration Form or call the camp office at 262-248-3600. If transportation is needed call Chuck at 847 548 1316

#### **Bible Studies**

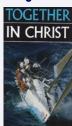
#### Women's Bible Study—Thursday morninas

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. Our first morning will be on Thursday, September 10. Please bring a brunch item to share, and also one blessing you received this summer to tell about. The group will discuss fall Bible study plans that day. For information contact Janis Carlson at 362-8245 or swancar836@gmail.com.

#### 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

Adult Study-Wednesday evenings-Come Grow With Us.



**Every Wednes-**IN CHRIST day night during the school year, after dinner and while our kids are at Kids Club, we gather downstairs to talk about God's Word. Last year we

walked through 1 Corinthians together, and there was enough enthusiasm that this fall we're going to use the same format and look together at Ephesians. Based out of the Serendipity Bible Study series, our discussion will look at how the church is called to live and serve Together in Christ. Join us from 6:30 - 7:45pm in the Confirmation Room. For information contact Pastor Steve at 847-362-3308 or steve@libcov.org.

#### Financial Summary thru July 2015

Budgeted Expenses YTD \$ 260,924
Actual Expenses YTD \$ 240,281
Cost Savings/ (Overrun) \$ 20,643

## EXPENSES VS. BUDGET GIVING VS. BUDGET

Giving YTD	\$ 243,912
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 260,924
Budget (Deficit)/Surplus	\$ (17,012)

#### **INCOME VS. EXPENSES**

Income YTD		243,281
Expenses YTD	\$	240,281
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$	3,631

## SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our search committee has been hard at work for the past 7 months. We are happy with the progress and feel we are getting closer to bringing a candidate to the congregation. We have had a number of strong candidates and are very encouraged by those we have met.

Please keep praying during these final stages of the process.

#### **Search Committee Members:**

Darilyn Anderson, Christine Cederberg, John Christian, Ken Greenfield, Steve Leach, Niki Papak, Kate Reilly, Colleen Sparks

#### **Christian Formation Teachers & Counselors 2015-2016**

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### Pre-School:

Heather Larson Angela Kocinski Rachel Couleur Marilyn Murray

#### K-2nd Grade:

Nancy Borkman
Debbie Kim
Paul & Kristin Hawkinson

#### 3-5th Grade:

Merileen Thorson Christy & Trevor James

#### Jr. High Youth (Confirmation):

Pastor Steve Larson
Pastor Paul Couleur
Peter Chang
Steve Leach

#### Sr. High Youth:

Ken Greenfield Scott & Julie Dahlberg Paul Couleur

#### Adult SS Coordinator:

Paul Nauman

#### **KIDS CLUB**

#### Pre-School:

Nancy McLinden Darilyn Anderson

#### K-5th Grade:

Larissa Greenfield Steve Leach

#### Kids Music:

Maggie Johnson

#### Kids Games:

Ken Greenfield

#### Jr. High Youth Group):

Paul Couleur Dave A. Anderson Claudia Nauman

#### Sr. High Youth:

Paul Couleur Dave & Darilyn Anderson Eric Sawyer

#### Kids Club Coordinator:

Larissa Greenfield

Christian Formation Chair:
Interim Associate Pastor to Youth:
Director of Children's Ministries:
Nursery Coordinator:
Children's Church Coordinator:
Paul Nauman
Paul Couleur
Bobby Becker
Tricia Leach
Niki Papak

#### Where Is It Written?

A Small Group for All Ages

Where is it Written? is a Bible study for all ages. We go to God's Word to inform us on challenging issues that confront us today. We typically begin a new topic at each gathering. We eat dinner together before we study and child care can be provided if needed. Most studies are at the Greenfields' house at 6:00 p.m. on Fridays.

When: September 11 & 25

#### Please RSVP so food and childcare can be planned:

Ken & Larissa Greenfield, 337 Dalton Avenue, Mundelein 847-373-4482; kgreenfield58@gmail.com (Ken) 847-373-4481; lgreenfield83@gmail.com (Larissa)

#### **Children's Ministry Curriculum at LCC**

by Heather Larson

Many years ago before we had kids, Steve & I would watch the cartoon "Pinky & the Brain" as they tried (& failed miserably) to TAKE OVER THE WORLD. In many ways we are to do the same, not for ourselves, but for Christ. But, we can't accomplish this without discipleship that is geared to teaching the Word &



how to live it. We need to allow the Spirit to be woven into our everyday lives with the ultimate goal of CHRIST TAKING OVER. So this summer, Larissa Greenfield, Niki Papak, & I met to look over curriculum that would teach the WORD, as well as provide hands on, relevant experience & application for our children. And with the input of several others, we are excited to announce that we will be using the FaithWeaver NOW curriculum for the Sunday School & Kids Club ministries. This curriculum not only provides a variety of activities, but it also comes with a music & drama CD, as well as access to online materials. Plus, there is a take home page for families that provides other ways to apply each week's lesson. It has a three-year scope & sequence that covers the Bible in sequential order. For more information go to <a href="http://www.group.com/sunday-school/faithweaver-now">http://www.group.com/sunday-school/faithweaver-now</a>.

Your colleague in TAKING OVER THE WORLD for CHRIST, Heather

## Guess WHO'S COMING Dinner

#### Guess who is coming for dinner?

Book Saturday October the 3rd for a potluck dinner in fellowship style, more information to come soon.



#### **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.

**Pastor:** Steve Larson (815/901-3294)

#### **Pastor to Senior Adults:**

Chuck Johnson (847/548-1316)

#### Int. Associate Pastor to Youth:

Paul Couleur (847/331-3640)

#### **Director of Children's Ministries:**

Bobby Becker (224/688-3667)

#### **Nursery Coordinator:**

Tricia Leach (847/920-8005)

#### Office Coordinator:

Marti Anderson (847/362-3308)

#### **Custodian:**

Dan Doherty (847/223-4971) Ron Harper (847/309-1155)

#### **Church Council Chair:**

Scott Dahlberg (947-528-7670)

#### **Church Council Vice Chair:**

Ben Palmberg (773-339-2509)

#### **Church Council Secretary:**

Elizabeth Christian (847/482-0854)

#### **Financial Secretaries:**

Lee & Caren Vollrath (847/549-6906)

#### Treasurer:

David Oppedahl (918-9225)

#### **Christian Formation Chair:**

Paul Nauman (847-680-8635)

#### **Deacon Committee Chair:**

Dennis Dieball (847/362-3669)

#### **Fellowship Committee Co-Chairs:**

Darilyn Anderson (847/362-7871)

#### Long-Range Planning Chair:

Nancy McLinden (847/322-5416)

#### **Outreach Committee Chair:**

Neale Murray (262/697-1825)

#### **Stewardship Committee Chair:**

Ken Werner (847/438-5586)

#### **Trustee Committee Chair:**

Dan Frost (847/373-7432)

## LIBERTYVILLE (OVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

Greetings Libertyville Covenant Church!! I am elated to have been invited to serve as Interim Pastor to Youth. Growing up in Deerfield, IL just down the road I attended Winnetka Covenant Church where I was baptized. confirmed, and married. My wife Rachel, was raised at Community Covenant Church in Minneapolis, MN as her father was the Pastor of the church. Our two young children, Titus 3 and Genevieve who is 1 fill our lives with giggles, mac and cheese, and plenty of time at parks and pools. Having served in ministry for the passed 10 years each them have been connected to youth and young adult ministries. In terms of my hobbies, I am a fan of college sports. I love watching college football, basketball, and virtually any sporting event that comes on the television. Additionally, I enjoy being out in nature, cooking tasty meals, and love a good meaningful conversation. Looking forward to meeting all of the youth at the church and having a meaningful time together in the days ahead. Please know you are warmly welcomed to come by and visit with me in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, or email me at <a href="mailto:paul@libcov.org">paul@libcov.org</a>, or ring me up some time at the church as well.



Paul Couleur Interim Associate Pastor to Youth paul@libcov.org 847-331-3640

#### **FALL RETREATS:**



## Jr. High @ Covenant Point October 9-12, 2015

Leave from church Friday at 4:30 p.m. return 5 p.m. on Monday. Registration materials will be mailed to you soon. Please get them in ASAP. The cost is \$135/student (\$40 LCC rebate and scholarships available).

Sr. High Retreat (tbd)

#### Save the Dates for the Winter Retreats:

January 15-18, 2016 Sr. High One Life @ Covenant Point February 5-7, 2016 Jr. High Deep Freeze @ Covenant Harbor February 19-21, 2016 3rd—5th graders Winterfest @ Covenant Harbor

#### Jr. High Youth Group:

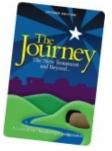
Wednesday September 9, 16, 23, 30 6:30—7:45 p.m.

#### Sr. High Youth Group:

Sunday September 13, 20 & 27 5-7 p.m.

#### **CONFIRMATION**

On Sept. 6 we kick off another year of Confirmation for our Middle School students. Every Sunday until the end of May, we'll gather at 9:15am sharp in the basement to look at the second year in our three -year cycle, The Life and Times of Jesus Christ. We invite all the parents to join us on the 6th for an introduction and explanation of this year's class. Co-lead by Pastor



Steve, Paul Couleur, Peter Chang, and Steve Leach, this is going to be a great year! Come and join the Journey.

## Children's Ministries

#### Why Volunteer for Children's Ministries?

- By a Sticky Faith Graduate

Acts 1:8: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

At the church I grew up in, although nobody knew the term Sticky Faith, it was present. I had relationships with caring adults from church. These were not just my friends' parents, and I probably wouldn't have gotten to know them if they had not been involved in the youth ministries that I attended. Because I live in the area and they are still at the same church, I have been able to continue seeing them informally over the years.

These people were not necessarily superstar teachers or dynamic personalities, but their consistent faith and commitment to Christ has been obvious to me over the years. Awhile back, at a local restaurant, our family ran into Tom, one of my high school youth group volunteers. He ended up having lunch with us! It was a great conversation, and I even felt comfortable asking him for advice. He was a big help to me just by sharing his experiences. Jamie was one of my junior high youth counselors. She is still a role model for me! She is a lot of fun and has modeled consistent faith through really hard times. I am so thankful that I get to hang out with her at this point in my life and consider her a friend!

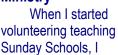
As churches get bigger and more programmed, and as people get busier with schedules, there seems to be less and less of this type of direct involvement from one generation of church to the next. Libertyville Covenant has, in my opinion, defied this trend. Our kids have relationships with people of all generations who take a genuine interest in who they are. Thank you to each of you who have taken the time to get to know them, whether it has been through teaching them, helping out in the nursery, or just casually talking to them at church.

Volunteering in our kids programs gives adults a natural way to connect with the children of the next generation. Will you consider playing a part in this most important task? There is so much to fear and complain about regarding the world today. Being directly involved in the teaching ministries of our church is a practical way to help combat the threats we see all around us. Please pray about what you might be able to give to our children's ministries this year. With enough people involved, the task doesn't need to be burdensome for anyone. You don't need to be a natural teacher or an expert in theology. You just need to be willing to be involved in the mission to our "Jerusalem": the kids right under our nose.

"Remember, the next generation is not just out there. They are also in here, sitting in our churches week after week." – Kevin DeYoung

"You have a role in this generation, not only receiving the baton of faith but passing it on to the next generation." –Margaret Feinberg

#### A Word from the Director of Children's Ministry





heard it said that in Jesus' ministry He welcomed the children and taught the adults. Every interaction that Jesus has with children is one of welcoming or healing, whereas his interactions with the adults, even many of the healings, were used for teaching. Of course, this isn't to say that we shouldn't teach the children. Some of the greatest building blocks of faith come from "children's" Bible stories. These building blocks help us to own our faith as adults. My theology in teaching is founded on this idea: first and foremost make the Church a safe place where children feel that they are welcomed and safe. When they feel that they are a part of a safe community, they feel comfortable enough to ask questions and seek answers. Growing up in Libertyville, that was something that I greatly appreciated from my teachers here and that I still see as a core value in the community. I am excited to join in with this mission and help it grow.

What were some teachers and lessons from your childhood that stuck out to you? I'd love to hear them. Feel free to contact me at Bobby@libcov.org, come to the office, I'll be there weekly at the times listed below, or just pull me aside sometime when you see me at Church if you ever want to talk about GOD or kids, two of my favorite topics of conversation!

Wednesdays: 2:00pm-5:30pm (then see you at Wednesday night dinners!)
Thursdays: 10:00am-4:00pm

Bobby Becker
Director of Children's
Ministries
Bobby@libcov.org
224/688-3667



#### NURSERY NEWS

For those who don't know me, my name is Tricia Leach and I am the new LCC Nursery Coordinator.

I am one of four generations of family attending and worshipping here at LCC. I live in Mundelein with my husband, Steve and our three children; James, Addison and Michael. We are expecting our fourth child in November.

From an early age, I have always enjoyed working with children. Over the years, I have served as a Sunday School teacher, VBS teacher, Junior High Small Group Leader, Nursery volunteer and midweek Kids Club Teacher. I have also worked as a professional nanny to children with special needs. Although I have loved working with children of all ages, I feel the Lord has especially equipped me with the love, patience and creativity needed in ministering to infants and toddlers.

I seek to provide a safe, Christian atmosphere for the youngest members of our church family. My hope is that the loving care our infants and toddlers receive will allow parents to participate in the multitude of opportunities available here at LCC.

I believe that our children are one of God's greatest gifts! Our two nurseries provide special care to infants and toddlers that contributes to their well being and complements the Christian nurture the child experiences at home. We strive to help the little ones we care for build trusting relationships and feel a sense of belonging in our church.

I am committed to provide a safe, caring environment through trained caregivers and a security system that ensures our children's safety.

My goal is to help each child feel comfortable and special, secure with adults who love and care for him/her and to help each child develop positive feelings about coming to church.

If you have any questions or suggestions, or if you would like to volunteer to help in this fun and rewarding ministry, please feel free to call or email me. Serving Him with you, Tricia Leach



Tricia Leach Nursery Coordinator tricia@libcov.org 847-858-2430



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. There are 2 options:

The Friday Morning Session meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month during the school year beginning on September 25th. 9-11 a.m. Childcare is provided. The facilitators for this group are Karin Lundstedt and Julie Dahlberg. We need many volunteers to cover the nursery & the children's program on these Friday mornings. If you are able to help on a regular basis or just occasionally, please call Tricia Leach at 847-920-8005 or tricia@libcov.org.

#### The Wednesday Evening MOMs group

meets each Wednesday beginning September 9th, 6:30 –7:45 p.m. Childcare is provided during this time, as well as Kids Club for children age 3-5th grade and Jr. High Youth Group for 6-8th graders. Come for dinner with your family at 5:30 p.m. This group will be doing a topical Bible study with the teaching portion rotating between those in the group who wish to take a turn. Wednesday Facilitators: Christy James and Teresa Anderson. 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.

## September Birthdays

- 1 Sarah McMinimy
- 2 John Bethancourt Larry Cholewin Annika Hawkinson
- 4 Lisa Kindstrom
- 7 Hannah Barg
- 8 Lilian Johnson Sarah Palmberg
- 9 Brian McLinden
- 11 Dana Hartnett
- 13 Jerome Johnson
- **12** Matthew Enquist Bob Sorensen
- 14 Kristin Hawkinson
- 16 Eileen Fehlberg



If you don't see your family's 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!

- 17 Drew Zahasky
- **18** Lukas Beckstrom Kevin Reilly
- **20** Jinwoo Kim Gene Sparks
- **22** Darilyn Anderson Mariah Lee Linda Youngman
- 23 Lars Dahlberg
- **24** Judie Duba Laura Nordgren
- 25 Lexie Schultz
- **26** Grace Glader Tyler Johnson

Would you like to receive prayer requests and updates from LCC?

Would you prefer to have your newsletter e-mailed to you?

Please be sure the office has your current e-mail address and/or phone number.

You can send your preferences to marti@libcov.org or call the church office 847/362-3308

### September Anniversaries

- 5 Paul & Beth McMinimy (1987)
- 6 Lars & Kyra Anderson (2014)
- 9 Rick & Lynn Anderer (1972)
- 12 Kerry & Brenda Monson (1981)
- **14** Ken & Arlene Werner (1974)
- 15 Bill & Chris Anderson (1979)
- 18 Jeff & Earleen Johnson (1976)
- 19 Craig & Colleen Sparks (1998)
- 26 Chris & Lilian Johnson (2008)
- 27 Dave & Beth Enquist (1980) Jim & Michelle Pas (1997)
- 28 Bob & Lori Hartnett (1985)

#### ADDRESS UPDATES

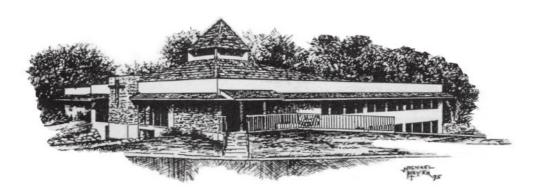


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The Evangelical Covenant Church affirms the centrality of the scriptures, with emphasis upon the grace of God. Covenanters also have a tradition of freedom that accepts a diversity of backgrounds and doctrinal positions, while maintaining a common 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



## September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9 a.m. Food Pan- try	2 9 a.m.—3 p.m. Harbor Sr. Day 6:45 p.m. Choir 8 p.m. Worship Team	3 7 p.m. Ping Pong	4 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9 a.m. Love INC starter kit scheduling	5 8 a.m. Fur- niture
9:15 a.m. Welcome Back Coffee & Introduction to Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship	7 Labor Day	8 9 a.m. Food Pan- try 7 p.m. Church Council	9 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. JH Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir 8:00 p.m. Worship Team	10 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study	11 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 6 p.m. Redeemer Life 6 p.m. FDF @ Saddlebrook Lake House 6 p.m. Where is it written?	12 9 a.m. starter kit delivery
9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5-7 p.m. Senior High Youth	14 Newsletter deadline	15 9 a.m. Food Pan- try 7 p.m. Dea- cons	16 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. JH Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir 8:00 p.m. Worship Team 8 p.m. Outreach	17 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Caperna- um 7 p.m. Ping Pong	18 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	9 a.m. Worship Comm.
20 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 2:30 p.m. Winchester 5-7 p.m. Senior High Youth	21	22 9 a.m. Food Pan- try	23 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. JH Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir 8:00 p.m. Worship Team	24 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study	25 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9-11 a.m. MOM to MOM 6 p.m. Where is it written?	26
9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5-7 p.m. Senior High Youth	28 9 a.m. Love INC calling & schedul- ing starter kits	29 9 a.m. Food Pan- try	30 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. JH Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir 8:00 p.m. Worship Team			

#### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

#### LAY READER SEPTEMBER

- 6 Mark Cederberg
- **13** Maggie Johnson
- 20 Trevor James
- **27** Kirk Johnson

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Michelle Pas
- 11 Jim Pas
- 18 Mary Palmer
- 25 Carol Dieball

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY (9:15) SEPTEMBER

- 6 No Nursery
- 13 Tricia Leach & Lee Vollrath
- 20 Teresa Anderson & Maggie Johnson
- 27 Judie Duba & Joan Groody

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Linda Lee & Tricia Leach
- 11 Tricia Leach & Donna Lindley
- 18 Lee Vollrath & Teresa Anderson
- 25 Maggie Johnson & Judie Duba

#### GREETERS SEPTEMBER

- 6 Paul & Donna Lindley
- 13 Paul & Karin Lundstedt
- 20 Valerie Makkai & Janis Carlson
- 27 John & Nancy McLinden

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Kerry & Brenda Monson
- 11 Neale & Marilyn Murray
- 18 Paul & Claudia Nauman
- 25 John & Suzy Nelson

## INFANT NURSERY (10:15 a.m.) SEPTEMBER

- 6 Kristen Bethancourt & Kat Tranel
- 13 Donna Lindley & Kirsten Peterson
- 20 Caren Vollrath & Tricia Leach
- 27 Arlene Werner & Ellen Hall

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Bill & Marti Anderson
- 11 Donna Lindley & Kirsten Peterson
- 18 Kat Tranel & Bev Hawkins
- 25 Court & Alicia Reese

## FELLOWSHIP HOUR SEPTEMBER

- **6** Fellowship Committee
- 13 Tom & Nancy Borkman
- 20 Mark & Christine Cederberg
- 27 Janis Carlson & Donna Clark

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Peter Chang & Kathy Khang
- 11 Larry & Marilyn Cholewin
- 18 John & Elizabeth Christian
- 25 Roger & Julie Clausen

#### PRESCHOOL NURSERY (10:15) SEPTEMBER

- 6 Bill & Jenna Glader
- 13 Bill & Chris Anderson
- 20 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson
- 27 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Ann Frost & Donna Lindley
- 11 Ann Frost & Lori Hartnett
- 18 Bill & Chris Anderson
- 25 Rachel & Paul Couleur

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER

- 6 Niki Papak & Donna Clark
- 13 Pas Family
- **20** Hawkins Family
- **27** Nauman Family

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Hawkinson Family
- **11** Vollrath Family
- 18 Niki Papak & Donna Clark
- 25 Pas Family

#### **USHERS**

**SEPTEMBER:** Jim Krueger, Dave Enquist, Bob Hartnett, Bill Anderson, Bob Peterson

**OCTOBER:** Paul Lindley, John Hjelm, Jill Heath, Roger Clausen

**NOVEMBER:** Lee Vollrath, Carl Zienty, Ken Werner, Lisa Kindstrom, Steve

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If you are not able to fulfill a date you are scheduled for, please find someone to switch dates with you.

Thank you!

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