

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
December *In the Spirit* is
Monday, November 9.
Please send items to
marti@libcov.org

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Joyfully Generous *by Pastor Steve Larson*

We serve an unbelievably generous God. Our King wants to give us more than we know how to handle. Our Father wants to bless us more deeply than we could imagine. Our Friend wants us to be absolutely shocked at the depth of His mercy, grace, and love given to us every day. We serve an unbelievably generous God.

From Genesis 1, we see God's generosity displayed in the way He created. Before calling the sun, moon, and stars into being (day 4), He gave them a space to be and light to shine (day 1&2). Before creating animals and humankind (day 6), He brought forth both land on which to live and vegetation to eat (day 3). Before we have a need, God has already met it.

And God's generosity isn't limited to our physical needs. Romans 5:8 shows His provision for our spiritual needs before we even

knew we had them. *"While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."* It is not our goodness or righteousness that called Jesus to die for us. It was God's generosity to His creation, yet again meeting our needs before we even knew we had them.

Abundant
Joy
Overflowing
Generosity



In complete opposition to the health-and-wealth gospel we hear on TV, let me say that God won't always give us all we think we deserve, or even all we think we need. It is up to God to give as much as He knows we need. As generous as God is, He will never hurt us through His giving, but will give just the right amount.

As Christ-followers, we seek to imitate God. But more

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than obedience leads us to this different life, this holy life. If our decision to obey God comes from a begrudging guilt or a desire to "pay God back" for all He has done, then our spiritual life becomes obligatory rule-following. We lose the joy of giving which is the heart of God's generosity. Malachi doesn't show us God giving what He feels He has to, with a pout on His face. Paul in his letter to the Ephesian church shows us a God who "...lavished upon us..." the riches of His grace. These are images of joyful giving, giving with a smile, giving that says, "I love you" instead of "look at how obedient and generous I am."

How might our thanksgiving be different this year if we were to see it as a chance to live not only gratefully but also generously? What if our actions said, "Thank you, God, for all you've given" and also, "Let me give like You, Lord; with a smile on my face and joy in my heart."



November Worship . . .

This month, we finish up our look at our Core Values - that which makes us "us". We'll also get a chance to hear about what is going on at our camps, celebrate God's generosity at our Thanksgiving eve service, and begin our journey through Advent! Come and join us every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate together.



Sunday, November 1 -
Authenticity
Psalm 139

Sunday, November 8 -
Engagement
1 Peter 2:4-12

Sunday, November 15 -
Community
Mark 2:13-17

Sunday, November 22 -
God at Work, Rest, and Play: Camping Ministry at LCC

Sunday, November 29 -
Mary's Christmas Journey: the Angel
1st Sunday in Advent
Luke 1:26-38

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 a.m.

We continue to explore together the question, "Why are we here?" Come and join us at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary as we journey and grow together.

- Nov. 1** Authenticity (Pastor Steve)
- Nov. 8** Engagement (Alicia Reese)
- Nov. 15** Q & A on our Mission (Pastor Steve)
- Nov. 22** Covenant Harbor Promo Sunday
- Nov. 29** - First of Advent (Unknown)



Thanksgiving Eve Service and Fall Dessert Buffet

Wednesday, November 25th
7:00 p.m.

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"

Each year we are inspired by this time of gathering to give thanks to the Lord. In hymns, songs and scripture, we give thanks to God. If you would like to participate with an expression of thanks, or the sharing of a musical gift, please see Pastor Steve. After the service, there will be a potluck fall dessert buffet in the Fellowship Hall. We will receive our offering for **Covenant World Relief** at this service and throughout Thanksgiving week.

Bible in a Year — November Readings

Nov 01	JOHN 18:1-2 MARK 14:32-42 MATTHEW 26:36-46 LUKE 22:39-46 MARK 14:43-52 MATTHEW 26:47-56 LUKE 22:47-53 JOHN 18:3-24	Nov 06	LUKE 24:13-43 MARK 16:12-13 JOHN 20:19-23 MARK 16:14 JOHN 20:24-21:25 MATTHEW 28:16-20 MARK 16:15-18 LUKE 24:44-49
Nov 02	MARK 14:53-65 MATTHEW 26:57-68 MARK 14:66-72 MATTHEW 26:69-75 LUKE 22:54-65 JOHN 18:25-27 MARK 15:1 MATTHEW 27:1-2 LUKE 22:66-71 MATTHEW 27:3-10	Nov 07	MARK 16:19-20 LUKE 24:50-53 ACTS 1:1-2:47
Nov 03	MARK 15:2-5 MATTHEW 27:11-14 LUKE 23:1-12 JOHN 18:28-40 MARK 15:6-15 MATTHEW 27:15-26 LUKE 23:13-25 JOHN 19:1-16 MARK 15:16-20 MATTHEW 27:27-31	Nov 08	ACTS 3:1-5:42
Nov 04	MARK 15:21-24 MATTHEW 27:32-34 LUKE 23:26-31 JOHN 19:17 MARK 15:25-32 MATTHEW 27:35-44 LUKE 23:32-43 JOHN 19:18-27 MARK 15:33-41 MATTHEW 27:45-56 LUKE 23:44-49 JOHN 19:28-37	Nov 09	ACTS 6:1-8:1
Nov 05	MARK 15:42-47 MATTHEW 27:57-61 LUKE 23:50-56 JOHN 19:38-42 MATTHEW 27:62-66 MARK 16:1-8 MATTHEW 28:1-7 LUKE 24:1-12 MARK 16:9-13 JOHN 20:1-18 MATTHEW 28:8-15	Nov 10	ACTS 8:1-9:43
		Nov 11	ACTS 10:1-12:5
		Nov 12	ACTS 12:6-14:20
		Nov 13	ACTS 14:21-28 GALATIANS 1:1-3:23
		Nov 14	GALATIANS 3:24-6:18 ACTS 15:1-21
		Nov 15	ACTS 15:22-17:15
		Nov 16	ACTS 17:16-18:3 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-5:11
		Nov 17	1 THESSALONIANS 5:12-28 2 THESSALONIANS 1:1-3:18 ACTS 18:4-23
		Nov 18	ACTS 18:24-19:20 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-3:23
		Nov 19	1 CORINTHIANS 4:1-7:40
		Nov 20	1 CORINTHIANS 8:1-11:1
		Nov 21	1 CORINTHIANS 11:2-13:13
		Nov 22	1 CORINTHIANS 14:1-15:58
		Nov 23	1 CORINTHIANS 16:1-24 ACTS 19:21-20:6 ROMANS 1:1-32
		Nov 24	ROMANS 2:1-4:25
		Nov 25	ROMANS 5:1-8:17
		Nov 26	ROMANS 8:18-10:21
		Nov 27	ROMANS 11:1-14:23
		Nov 28	ROMANS 15:1-16:27 2 CORINTHIANS 1:1-2:4
		Nov 29	2 CORINTHIANS 2:5-6:13
		Nov 30	2 CORINTHIANS 6:14-10:18

SEARCH UPDATE

The Church Council and Search Committee are proud to present our candidate for the position of Associate Pastor to Youth. After seven months of prayer and discussion, looking through 32 pastoral profiles, holding virtual interviews with 3 individuals and face-to-face interviews with 2 of those, we are putting forth Rev. Paul Couleur as our candidate.



Rev. Paul Couleur, graduate of University of Missouri and North Park Theological Seminary, was born and raised in Deerfield, IL, and baptized, confirmed, and married at Winnetka Covenant Church. He has served in Gothenburg, Sweden, as Minister to Youth and Young Adults; in Carrollton, TX, as Youth Pastor; in Chicago, IL, as Athletic Chaplain at North Park University; and in Campton Hills, IL, as Pastor of Country Covenant Church. He, his wife Rachel, and their two children Titus and Genevieve currently live in Deerfield and have been serving here as our Interim Pastor to Youth. Paul loves “all things sporty”, deep-dish Lou Malnati’s pizza, and conversations with anyone and everyone.



The church at work | Covenant World Relief is the Evangelical Covenant Church at work in the world. Through Covenant World Relief, Covenanters are joining in kingdom ministry. We believe the church is at its best when it serves the most vulnerable.

More than relief | Immediate response to disasters is vital to save lives and facilitate recovery. However, the transformation of individuals, families, and communities often requires long-term engagement. Therefore, most of our time and resources are spent on long-term community development programs which seek to bring about lasting change. Disaster relief *saves lives*, whereas community development *transforms communities*.

Trusted partnerships | We choose to work through partnerships. Most of our partners are Covenant or Covenant-connected organizations. These partnerships leverage resources, empower local ministries, increase local involvement, reduce overhead, and facilitate immediate response to disaster and human suffering.

Experienced | We have been working with the poor, the powerless, and the marginalized for more than sixty years.

Effective | CWR is committed to fiscal responsibility and measurable outcomes. 100% of your gift goes to the work of CWR and at least 90% of every donation goes directly into ministry serving the most vulnerable. Our projects are closely monitored and evaluated to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are truly being transformed.

We will be collecting our CWR Offering the week of November 22-29th.

Volunteer Work Day - Covenant Harbor **Believe.Love.Serve.** Saturday, November 21, 2015

Help Covenant Harbor get ready for retreat season and the winter months! Pick up a paint brush, prep buildings for winter – every little bit helps! Stay for FREE! Harbor will provide overnight accommodations, childcare and meals. Bring your family, your friends, your small group, youth group – why not the whole church?

The Weekend Work begins at 9:00 am on Saturday and continues, with breaks, until around 4:00 pm. They are flexible, though; if you want to come up on Friday afternoon for a few hours as well or if you can't make it until later Saturday morning, we would love to have you join us. Covenant Harbor is offering **free overnight stays** on the weekend you volunteer and **Saturday breakfast (if you make it by 8:00 am), lunch, and dinner.** Come up on Friday night for an early start Saturday or stay over until Sunday and rest after a full day.

What will you be doing? Below is a list of possible projects that we will be looking to tackle during **Believe.Love.Serve.**



Painting Walls, doors, doorframes, chair railing, stairway railings, bathroom dividers, trim work, elevator doors, boathouse railing, window frames, and more.

Cleaning Several buildings need a deep cleaning. Some of the tasks involved will be to wash curtains, shower curtains, vents, mattresses, and kick plates, clean out fireplaces, clean carpets and furniture, power wash the exterior, and more.

Gardening Weeding, raking, and cleaning up.

Construction Various projects including drywall repair, deck repair, replace door latches and stops, duct work repair, cut new vents in shower doors, screen repair, caulking, add fiberglass board to showers, add wood trim around A/C units, install down spouts, electrical labeling on circuit breakers (electrician), work on A/C-heating units (someone with this knowledge), and more.

If you want more information or would like to reserve your spot on a work crew, contact the Church Office (847-362-3308) or Al Nielson (847-566-5246) or Paul Couleur (847-331-3640).

FIRESIDE DINNER FELLOWSHIP

invites seniors and friends to a
LIGHT SOUP SUPPER
to benefit

"A SAFE PLACE"

on
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12,
2015, 6:00 P.M.



"A Safe Place" is the only organization in Lake County dedicated to domestic violence and provides a continuum of care to survivors and children. The light soup supper prepared by John Hawkins and crew will be held at church in the basement fellowship hall. It is planned in order that the money we would normally spend on a full meal would be shared with "A Safe Place."

Invite a friend to join you and **SIGN UP** on the Information Desk to share this special fellowship time together as we seek to benefit "A Safe Place" do this valuable ministry.

Looking Ahead: December 4, 6:00 p.m. Annual Smorgasbord and Concert with the Lakeland Madrigals

Please join us for our
3rd Annual Chicago Area Event:



Sunday
November 15,
2015 4:00 PM to
7:00 PM

Bocce Ball at Pinstripes!
Auction! Great Food! Great Company!

Pinstripes, 1150 Willow Road, Northbrook, IL 60062

Please join us for a Chicago-area
Lumunos gathering at Pinstripes in Northbrook
that is one-part social, one-part fundraiser,
and all parts a great time!

Contact: Lumunos 603-827-3113 andi@lumunos.org

\$40 Pre-Registration

\$50 at the Door

Bible Studies

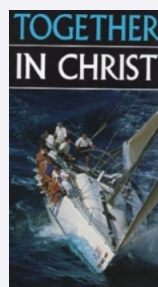
Women's Bible Study— **Thursday mornings**

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. Bruce Thorson is facilitating using A LifeGuide Bible Study, *Isaiah, Trusting God in Troubled Times*. 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 Wednesday 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 September 2015

Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 338,955
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 309,522
Cost Savings/ (Overrun)	\$ 29,433

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET GIVING VS. BUDGET

Giving YTD	\$ 299,047
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 338,955
Budget (Deficit)/Surplus	\$ (39,908)

INCOME VS. EXPENSES

Income YTD	\$ 299,047
Expenses YTD	\$ 309,522
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (10,475)

If you are interested in receiving information or giving a gift to the **LCC Endowment Fund** please speak to our Financial Secretaries or a member of the Stewardship Committee.

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 Jeff Johnson at jjjdc@netzero.net

Meet Christopher & Lillian Johnson!

We are pleased to welcome Christopher and Lillian Johnson to membership in our LCC family. Christopher, Lillian, and their son Jerome live in Vernon Hills and have been attending LCC for about a year. A job offer for Lillian brought them to Minnesota from India in February of 2012. (From India to Minnesota in February – what a shock that must have been!) Currently, Lillian is working for Abbvie and Christopher recently landed a job at Abbott; he is also studying IT Management at Globe University in Minnesota to which he commutes by bus!



Both Lillian and Christopher come from strong Christian homes; Lillian's great-grandfather was a pastor and Christopher describes his mother as a "prayer warrior" who encouraged him to rise early every day and pray, a practice which he follows regularly. They were baptized in August 2011 before coming to the U.S. and began attending a Baptist church when they arrived in Minnesota. The move to Libertyville brought them to LCC where they immediately felt welcomed and at home. They feel truly blessed to be a part of this church.

In conversation with the deacons, Lillian and Christopher talked about the importance of prayer in their lives, their strong desire for a close relationship with God, and their sense of God's presence in all things, "from beginning to end no matter what happens in life." They are looking for ways to serve and give back to God in thanks for His continuous provision to them and their families. Lillian is interested in Children's Ministry, and Christopher in men's fellowship and serving in the kitchen. Jerome loves being in Sunday School and making new friends.

If you haven't already, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our newest members and get to know them better. Welcome Christopher, Lillian, and Jerome – we're so pleased you're here!

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: Friday, November 13th

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)

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



Thank you for the great support shown for FMSC and the Halloween M&M promotion. We were able to distribute over 1000 tubes of M&Ms. If you fill the tube up with quarters and bring your donation back to LCC you will have raised enough money to feed 63 children for a day! A little bit goes a long way! **Put your name on your filled tube if you would like it recorded on your giving statement for tax purposes.**

The \$\$ returned to LCC in filled tubes will be used to fund an all church packing event (must be at least 5 years old) on February 24th. Mark your calendars now!! We will be accepting donations to this packing event from now until then. Just make your checks payable to LCC with the notation FMSC.



ADOPT-A-FAMILY CHRISTMAS

This Christmas we are providing gifts for 15 families, as part of the Love INC / Catholic Charities "Adopt-a-Family" program. Names with gift suggestions will be hanging on a tree in the Narthex. You may take one or more tags from the tree.

Be sure to sign for the ones you take. Please return the gifts, wrapped, to the church by December 3rd. If a gift request is expensive, please feel free to substitute another item.



PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH:

While we do not suffer physical persecution for our faith, millions of Christians around the world do. These are our brothers and sisters, having to choose between their faith and their safety and that of

their families. One way we can make a difference for them is through prayer.

There will be a community wide service of prayer for the persecuted church on November 8th at the Village Church of Lincolnshire, 201 N. Riverwoods Road, Lake Forest, IL 60045. We cordially invite you to join us as we gather with Christian churches from around our area to lift this global reality to God and seek His help. The service begins at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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Bobby Becker (224/688-3667)

Nursery Coordinator:
Tricia Leach (847/920-8005)

Office Coordinator:
Marti Anderson (847/362-3308)

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Ron Harper (847/309-1155)

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Church Council Vice Chair:
Ben Palmberg (773-339-2509)

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Elizabeth Christian
(847/482-0854)

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Lee & Caren Vollrath
(847/549-6906)

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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 COVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr. High Youth Group:

Wednesday, November 4, 11, 18
6:30—7:45 p.m.

Sr. High Youth Group:

Sunday, November 1, 8, 15, 22
5-7 p.m.

Save the Dates for the Winter Retreats:

February 12-15, 2016
Sr. High One Life @ Covenant Point

February 5-7, 2016
Jr. High Deep Freeze @ Covenant Harbor



Paul Couleur
Interim Associate
Pastor to Youth
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Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send?
And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" **Isaiah 6:8**

At times I have wondered if God might feel like the guy from the Verizon commercial that is constantly popping up in places all over the world asking this same question, "*Can you hear me now? Can you hear me now?*" Now that the school year is underway and we are all busy getting back into the busy rhythms of life, God is still speaking wondering if we're listening. In these first couple of months serving at LCC I have learned just how jam packed our lives can be. It is a break neck speed which makes it challenging at times to hear one's own thoughts let alone hear from God. Let's be honest with ourselves perhaps all of us have calendars that would benefit from slowing down a bit.

This fall we have been continuing to discover ways to shift away from the temptations of the world and bring low the barriers that stand between us and God. During the retreats we paused for a moment beside still waters hoping to hear from God as he continues to speak. We reflected on rhythm and using the instrument that is our person to continue with God furthering the Kingdom. Questions were asked if we were playing in tune with the song or perhaps playing a different tune all together. Are we listening to God and can we hear his voice and direction? When we hear God's voice how do we respond?

Returning home from the retreat I wondered were we still long enough to hear from God? At a silent-solitude retreat for 12 hours at Covenant Harbor it took quite a while to actually be ready to listen. The first six hours of my day were spent in a comfortable chair overlooking Geneva Lake where my thoughts raced and my words were many with God. There was no room for God to speak too. My mind was so active that I didn't even hear the water, see the boats, or even notice the sun that was shining until after lunch. This brings me back to the question, have we been silent and still before God long enough to actually listen for God's voice? Is God asking, "*Can you hear me now?*" In the afternoon, my person was still before God to hear him speak of his love for me, reminders of hope, and assurance of his guidance and plan for my life. What refreshing words to hear. This has me wondering, what might God be trying to say to each and every one of us as we race from one event to the next? Might we all continue to be still before God making room for God to speak?

One way our youth will respond to God's invitation to serve him will be to attend the Believe, Love, Serve day at Covenant Harbor on November 21st. That day we will join hands for a day of service, fellowship, and fun. This is an event for the whole church to come together and serve. There will be child care provided so all can attend for the day. Might we continue to be willing as Isaiah was to hear from God and offer ourselves saying "*Here am I. Send me!*" Grace and Peace, Paul

Children's Ministries



IN NOVEMBER WE FOCUS ON OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

On Wednesday, November 18th, during the normal Kid's Club time we will be packing boxes assembly line style! We will be meeting to start at 6:15pm in the Choir room right after dinner. Before we can pack

the boxes though, we need things to fill them with! Sign up downstairs on the Children's ministry board if you would like to donate something needed for the boxes and bring them in by November 4th! That's this Wednesday!



Winterfest!

Missing camp? Me too! The 3rd through 5th graders get to go back

this winter, lucky kids! This year's Winterfest at Covenant Harbor is themed "Remade," and we will be talking about how we have been remade in GOD's image. The dates are **February 19-21, 2016** and the costs of \$149 per student (with a \$40 LCC rebate and additional scholarship money available!) One of my good friends and mentors, Brad Hutchinson, will be the speaker for the weekend, you don't want to miss this. If you're interested, let Bobby know through either email or by giving him a call!

Thanksgiving Eve, November 25th — NO DINNER or KIDS CLUB
Join us for a Thanksgiving Service & Fall Dessert Buffet 7 p.m.

The Awesomesauce Sub list: In order to ensure the safest possible environments and surround children with the love of their church family, each classroom and Children's event hosted by Libertyville Covenant must have two or more adults in the room. There are many amazing teachers here, but every once in a while life happens and they cannot make it. This is where you can help! Bobby is putting together a **Children's Ministry Awesomesauce Sub list!** This is a list that the volunteers can use to contact people in cases where they unexpectedly cannot come to church. Then those volunteers can help keep the kids on task and safe if they were planning on coming to church at that time. If interested, please talk to Bobby about either Sunday School, Children's Church or Kid's Club.



If you have any extra Halloween candy, please bring it to the church office where we will collect candy for Operation Christmas Child boxes.

Advent Night



When? Sunday, November 29th at 5pm

Where? Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall

What? pancake supper, a craft, activities and stories.

A great night of fun to start the Christmas season on the right foot.

The children will be participating in Christmas Worship on December 13th.

Bobby Becker
Director of Children's Ministries
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Tues/Thurs: 10 am-4 pm
Wednesday: 2-5:30 pm



NURSERY NEWS



Congratulations to Steve & Tricia Leach (James, Addie & Michael) as they welcomed a new addition to their family.

Collins Anna Leach was born on Thursday, October 15, 2015. She weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and is 18 inches in length.

Donna Lindley (847-924-4197) will be helping coordinate the nurseries while Tricia takes some time with their new baby.

We are in need of volunteers in the following areas:

Infant Nursery for Sunday School / Church

Toddler Nursery for Church

Wednesday Nights

Mom-to-Mom
(Friday Mornings)

Please email me at
Tricia@libcov.org If you are
willing to help.



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. 9-11 a.m. Child-care 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, 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.*



SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Traditionally an opportunity has been given to our church family to place poinsettias and lilies in the sanctuary at Christmas and Easter. The Deacons invite those who would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary on a given Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion to do so throughout the year. Please call the Church Office to schedule the Sunday you plan to bring in an arrangement. We will list the remembrance in the bulletin. Thank you.

November Birthdays

- | | |
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| 1 Paul Lundstedt | 13 Twyla Becker |
| 4 Mary Ann Bodine
Tyler Holm | 18 Marti Anderson
Dave Enquist
Mirielle Nauman |
| 5 Adrienne Gullberg
Caren Vollrath | 19 Peyton Gomez |
| 6 Kate Reilly
Jeff Johnson | 21 Christine Cederberg |
| 7 Ellen Hall
Andrew Werner
Jared Wojcik | 23 Loren Lindholm |
| 8 Kent Carlson | 25 Titus Couleur
Tobin Junas
Philip Nauman |
| 10 Neale Murray | 28 Janis Carlson
Miranda Gomez
Rhys Junas |
| | 29 Riley Gomez
Beverly Schmidt |

November Anniversaries



- 8** Bill & Jenna Glader (2003)
- 14** Paul & Rachel Couleur (2009)
- 15** Charlie & Jan Howard (1969)
- 16** Wylie & Ardyth Douglass (1975)
- 28** Roger & Julie Clausen (1981)



*Mark your calendars now to
participate in the
Christmas Progressive Dinner
which is scheduled for
Saturday, December 12th.
Details will be available soon.*

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!



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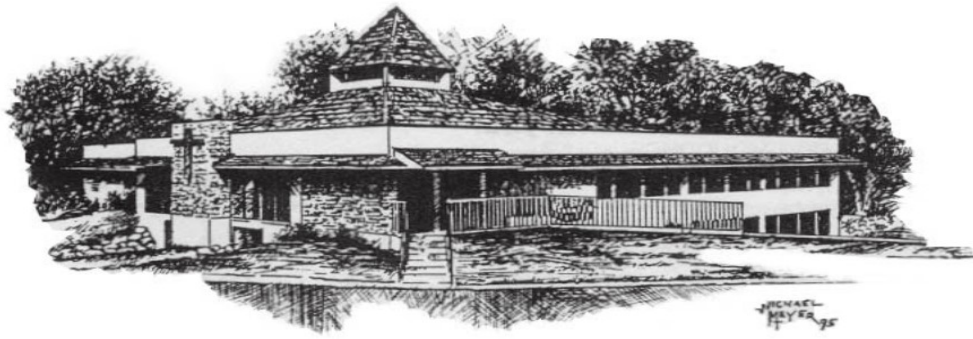
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In the Spirit



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November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 ALL SAINTS DAY (DAYLIGHT SAVINGS) 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:45 a.m. Cong. Meeting 2:30 p.m. Winchester 5 p.m. SH Youth	2	3 9 a.m. Food Pantry	4 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group	5 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong 7 p.m. Worship Team	6 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	7 8 a.m. Furniture 10 p.m.—Midnight Young Adult Singles Night @ Glacier Ice Arena hosted by Redeemer Life Cov.
8 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5 p.m. SH Youth 6:30 p.m. Prayer for Persecuted Church @Village Church of Lincolnshire	9 Newsletter deadline 1 p.m. Starter Kit Calling	10 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Church Council	11 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Jr. High 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	12 9 a.m. Starter Kit Delivery 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6 p.m. FDF Soup Supper for A Safe Place 7 p.m. Worship Team	13 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9 a.m. MOM to MOM 6 p.m. Redeemer Life 6 p.m. Where is it Written?	14 8 a.m.—1 p.m. Love INC Board Meeting
15 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 4-7 p.m. Lumunos Bocce Ball @ Pinstripes 5 p.m. SH Youth	16	17 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Deacons	18 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:30 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir 8 p.m. Outreach	19 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Capernaum 7 p.m. Ping Pong 7:00 p.m. Worship Team	20 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	21 9 a.m. Worship Comm. 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Believe.Love. Serve @ Harbor
22 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5 p.m. SH Youth	23	24 9 a.m. Food Pantry	25 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service and Fall Dessert Buffet	26 THANKSGIVING DAY	27	28
29 1ST ADVENT 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5 p.m. Family Advent Night	30					

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

LAY READER NOVEMBER

1 Dennis Dieball
8 David Enquist
15 Angela Kocinski
22 Caren Vollrath
29 Valerie Makkai

DECEMBER

6 Laura Nordgren
13 Mark Cederberg
20 Roger Clausen
27 Mary Palmer

GREETERS NOVEMBER

1 Phil & Jane Nelson
8 Al & Carol Nielson
15 Laura Nordgren
22 David & Marie Oppedahl
29 Ben & Sarah Palmberg

DECEMBER

6 Mary Palmer & Niki Papak
13 Jim & Michelle Pas
20 Bob & Martha Peterson
27 Court & Alicia Reese

FELLOWSHIP HOUR NOVEMBER

1 Dan & Ann Frost
8 Scott & Julie Dahlberg
15 Dennis & Carol Dieball
22 Wylie & Ardy Douglass
29 Judie Duba & Nancy Elaine

DECEMBER

6 Dave & Beth Enquist
13 Dick & Eileen Fehlberg
20 Church Staff
27 Judie Duba & Nancy Elaine

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY (9:15) NOVEMBER

1 Rachel Couleur & Donna Lindley
8 Joan Groody & Donna Lindley
15 Linda Lee & Donna Lindley
22 Lee Vollrath & Donna Lindley
29 Teresa Anderson & Donna Lindley

DECEMBER

6 Joan Groody & Judie Duba
13 Linda Lee & Lee Vollrath
20 Maggie Johnson & Nancy McLinden
27 No Sunday School

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

1 Debbie Kim & Donna Lindley
8 Caren Vollrath & Heather Larson
15 Kat Tranel & Arlene Werner
22 Bill & Marti Anderson
29 Ellen Hall & Kirsten Peterson

DECEMBER

6 Bev Hawkins & Kat Tranel
13 Trevor & Christy James
20 Debbie Kim & Caren Vollrath
27 Heather Larson & Ellen Hall

PRESCHOOL NURSERY (10:15) NOVEMBER

1 Bill & Jenna Glader
8 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson
15 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson
22 Ann Frost & Lori Hartnett
29 Bill & Chris Anderson

DECEMBER

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

CHILDREN'S CHURCH NOVEMBER

1 Hawkins Family
8 Nauman Family
15 Hawkinson Family
22 Vollrath Family
29 Niki Papak & Donna Clark

DECEMBER

6 Pas Family
13 Hawkins Family
20 Nauman Family
27 Hawkinson Family

USHERS

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

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

JANUARY: Paul Lindley, John Hjelm, Jill Heath, Roger Clausen



*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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