

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

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The Deadline for the June-July *In the Spirit* is Monday, May 9, 2016 Please send items to marti@libcov.org

"Twice" a modern day parable

Once upon a time there was a young boy who loved sailboats. He would sit at the harbor for hours just watching the boats bob in the water, or sail out on amazing adventures, or return to the dock and to home. So one Christmas, under the tree. wrapped in beautiful golden paper, the boy found a sailboat model kit. He was so excited that he left the other presents unopened and began right away to build his model sailboat. It took him 4 months of painstaking gluing, tying, painting, waiting, but by late April the boat was ready. He painted his name on the side and walked carefully down to the creek behind his house for the boat's maiden voyage. Barely able to contain his excitement, the boy gently set the boat in the water. and whooped with joy when the boat slowly began to sail its way down the creek.

But with the melting snow of spring, the creek was a bit larger, and a bit rougher, and a bit faster than the boy had remembered from the fall. Soon, the little

by Pastor Steve Larson

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boat began to pick up speed as it drifted to the middle of the creek, and soon the creek had grown into a small river. As he walked along the bank watching his boat sail, soon he was jogging along the bank. As his fear rose higher and higher, the boat began to out-



pace him and soon it was all he could do to keep up with his precious treasure. And eventually, the boy couldn't run anymore. With tears in his eyes, he watched as the boat

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sailed down the river and out of sight. For a month the boy searched for his boat, but by late May, he realized that the boat was gone. Sadly the boy finished his school year and summer came without its usual joy, for his boat was gone and the boy was heartbroken.

In the middle of June, the boy was kicking a pebble down the main street of his town when he came upon the window of the resale shop. Looking up for just a moment, the boy was shocked to see a sailboat in the window of the shop. But more than just a sailboat, it was his very own sailboat. With renewed joy he ran into the shop and explained to the shop owner that the boat in the window was his, even showing that his name was on the hull. "I'm sorry, son, but I can't just give you the boat because you say it's yours," the owner replied. "If you want it, you'll have to pay for it like everyone else." When the boy found out it was worth \$50, he resolved to do whatever it took to buy that boat back. So the boy hired himself out for every odd job he could find. He walked dogs, mowed lawns, delivered papers, cleaned windows... and by the end of August, the boy had earned the \$50. Returning to the store, he proudly put the money on the counter and tenderly took the little boat in his hands and walked home. As he walked along, he talked to his beloved little boat. "Well, little boat, we are together again. And now you are Twice Mine. First I made you, and then I bought you. And we will never be separated again."

Worship in May ...

We have a variety of worship experiences coming up this month. May 1 is Confirmation Sunday, and our 4 Confirmands will be sharing their faith stories and leading us in worship. The next week is Ascension Sunday, and we'll be looking at Jesus' last words of His earthly minis-



try. Following that is Pentecost Sunday, and Pastor Paul will be preaching on the coming of the Holy Spirit. And finally May 22 begins a 4-week series titled, "Twice". We'll be talking about sailboats and T-shirts, stories and faith, and an easy way to share the good news with everyone around us. We'll end the series in June by putting our learning into practice.

Sunday, May 1 – Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, May 8 – Mother's Day "The Disappointment of the Ascension" (Acts 1:1-11)

Sunday, May 15 – Pentecost Sunday (Acts. 2:1-13) Pastor Paul Preaching Sunday, May 22 – "Twice, a Modern Day Parable" 2 Tim. 2:2, Ps. 78:5-6 Last Day of SS and Picnic

SUMMER WORSHIP Sunday, May 29 – 9:30 a.m. "First I Made You..." Ps. 139:1-18 Sunday, June 5 – 9:30 a.m. "Then I Bought you..." (Rom. 5:6-8) Sunday, June 12 – "Now You are Twice Mine" John 8:31-47, Ps. 95

As we talk this month about sharing our stories with those outside the church, we do so in preparation for a great event!



The 3rd Annual LCC Libertyville Days Booth

On June 17 – 18, we will host a booth at Libertyville Days.
Our purpose is to allow LCC to interact with our community. With a putt putt golf hole, water, pens, and prizes, as well as a comfortable place for parents to sit on a hot day, we get hundreds of opportunities to hear and share stories with those walking by. We have 7 shifts across those two days, which means we need at least 21 smiling faces to spend some time serving our community. Link: LIBER-TYVILLE DAYS BOOTH VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

Summer Fun Nights!



Every Wednesday night from June 15 through July 27, we gather together for food, fellowship, and fun. From water games to nature walks, from game shows to Olympic games, from the beach to Independence Grove, we're taking time this sum-

mer to consider ways that God has given us joy and recreation in the midst of our hectic lives. Come at 5:30 for dinner and conversation and then stay for activities that combine all of our generations. Everyone is welcome, everyone is wanted, and everyone is needed!

June 15—Water Night: Get ready to get wet with games for everyone!

June 22—Nature Photography Night: Ready to take a walk through nature? Ready to get a picture of God's beauty?

June 29— Beach Night: Gather at the beach for swimming, sand, and fun.

July 6—Share Your Talents Night: Want to learn a new skill? Have a skill to share?

July 12 (Tuesday night) – Independence Grove Night : Bring a picnic, share some lawn games, and enjoy the park. Bluegrass concert follows.

July 20—Game Show Night: Come ready to show off your trivia knowledge. "Family Feud", "Name that Tune" and more.

July 27—Olympiad Night: As the Olympics begin, we end our season with a Wacky Olympics for all ages.

Pentecost Fire

Fire from heaven not raining-down-destruction fire but lighting fire, a-lighting on soul kindling waiting for blessing.

Tongues of fire! Isaiah's hot coal, cleansing tongues, loosing tongues, unleashing tongues to speak unfathomable glories.

Tongues of fire! night-lighting fire, leading lost ones, comforting scared ones, healing scarred ones, warming fire.

Tongues of fire! burned-not-consumed fire, Moses' bush, shining emblem in a desert of shame.

Tongues of fire! Shadrach's fire singing some, shielding others, revealing the Son of God.

-written by Safiyah Fosua

TINOTHY KELLER

The adults will continue with the Tim Keller video/discussion series, "The Gospel in Life" which is a video-based study of the gospel and how to live it out in your everyday life. In week one we will study the city, your home now, the world that is. The last week closes with the theme of the eternal city, your heavenly home, the world that is to come. In between we'll learn how the gospel can change your heart, your community, and how you live in this world. Larissa Greenfield will facilitate this class.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 a.m.

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. We will conclude the Thursday morning Bible Study on May 19th but will resume again in the fall. 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. We continue to meet throughout the summer. For information contact Chris Becker chris@beckercrew.com

Adult Study—Wednesday evenings—

Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45pm for a study of Paul's letter to the Philippians. No homework, but great discussion facilitated by Pastor Steve. Come and grow as a follower of Jesus as we learn together. The final session for the spring is Wednesday, May 18th. For information contact Pastor Steve at 847-362-3308 or steve@libcov.org.

MEET OUR CONFIRMANDS

Elias Chang will be graduating from Highland Middle School where his favorite classes have been Social Studies and History. His extra activities include Track and Field, particularly the Shot Put and Discus. His favorite thing about our church is the people that make LCC such a welcoming place.





Peyton Gomez will complete his time at Grayslake Middle School this spring where he also finds History to be his favorite class. His hobbies include: Cross Country, Track (running in general), Lacrosse, wrestling, playing video games, solving Ciphers & Codes, and Air-Softing. He loves the community at LCC because the people are very supportive and like family.

Audrey Hawkins will graduate from Woodland Middle School where she has enjoyed her Math class the best. She loves being active, particularly riding horses makes her feel free and happy. She likes to ice skate and swim, do drama, art, cook, play outside, run, go shopping and loves music. Her favorite thing about LCC is the fun events. She likes camp and family camp, loves going to Wednesday nights to see all her friends and play games. When something is hard or challenging in life, she doesn't give up on it, she tries to meet it or solve it.





Cali Lichter will be graduating from Oak Grove Middle School this spring. She indicates History is her favorite class. She enjoys spending her free time acting, singing, playing instruments and volleyball. The favorite thing she has found about Libertyville Covenant is making new friends and meeting new people.

LCC AUCTION DONATION FORM Please complete and return to church office By May 1st					
Name of donor (individual or organization):					
Address:					
City/State/Zip:					
hone: () email:					
Type of Item: Service Food Product					
Brief description/title for item:					
How many donated? How many bidders can win it?					
Who might you recommend we contact for another item for our auction?					
Phone: () email:					
What might this person donate?					
Bidding will begin on May 8th and run through May 22nd.					

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Use of a cabin/condo (weekend, week long; Sitting (house, child, pet); Pet walking; Lessons (music, golf, tennis, swimming, ballroom dance, Internet); House work (yard, car waxing, gutter cleaning, dusting, vacuuming); Original art/craftsmanship (ceramics, painting, woodwork, sculpture); Children's outings (zoo, b-ball game, birthday parties); Food (dinner party, baked goods, dinner brought to house); Other professional services (pro painting, computer services, decorating, lawn service, bicycle tune-up automotive services); Tickets (Cubs, Bulls, orchestra, opera, theater) Misc. (Be creative!) LINK TO: <u>AUCTION DONATION FORM</u>



Last Day of Sunday School and the all church picnic & auction is Sunday, May 22nd.

The grills will be going with burgers and dogs. Bring a salad and/or dessert to share and your lawn chair or blanket.

"Every Kid a Camper"

LCC has always been committed to supporting the camping ministry of our conference at Covenant Harbor and Covenant Point Bible Camps. Initially the Christian Formation Committee instituted the "Every Kid a Camper" Fund to allow us to help families send their children to camp. Through the years many of our children have indicated that the camp experience has had a great impact on their decisions as they first committed their lives to Christ and began the journey to follow Him.

LCC continues to make camping ministries a priority for our children and we are grateful to be able to provide over \$5000 each year in scholarships and rebates for summer camps, retreats, mission trips and CHIC. A week at camp is now around \$600/student increasing the need for financial support.

We join with the Christian Formation Committee in sustaining the camp fund in making sure these needs are met. Please consider helping in this effort as this year once again, in addition to the Rummage Sale we will be holding an auction of goods and services to be offered for bid. We ask that each family (whether you have campers or not) start thinking of what you can offer & submit your items as soon as possible. The bidding will begin on May 8th and conclude at the All Church Picnic on May 22nd following the morning service. Please contact the Church office or a member of the Christian Formation Committee if you have questions.

> THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

Financial Summary thru March 2016

Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 128,173
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 119,290
Cost Savings/ (Overrun)	\$ 8,883

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET GIVING VS. BUDGET

Giving YTD Budgeted Expenses YTD		12,913 28,173			
Budget (Deficit)/Surplus		15,260)			
INCOME VS. EXPENSES					

Income YTD	\$ 112,913
Expenses YTD	\$ 110.20-
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (6.377)

Our Faith Pledge

Name
I I
Annual Pledge* of OR One-time Gift of
Pledge Duration 1 year 2 years 3 years
Vour pledge details will remain con- fidential to the Financial Secretary
*Please contact John Bethancourt if you need information regarding
automatic funds transfer
HELP US CONTINUE TO
GROW AND
BE A LIGHT IN THE
COMMUNITY



The Capital Campaign is off to a great start in the first quarter of 2016. We have received \$115,400 in pledges so far--our goal is \$200,000. We have received over \$62,000 in cash already—enabling us to purchase a new van and carpet for the narthex and office. If we receive more cash in the next few months we will be able to begin much needed resurfacing work on our parking lot. About 20% of our membership has pledged or given to this point, so if we can increase participation we should

be able to easily reach the \$200,000 goal. Have you had a chance to pledge or participate in the Capital Campaign?

Why do we need this fund?

- We are growing and making greater use of existing facilities which means more wear & tear.
- Our facilities and equipment are ageing to the point of needing repair or replacement.
- Planning for capital spending ahead of crises aids in the long term financial health of LCC.

Anticipated Uses of the Funds

- New carpeting in the narthex and offices- Coming soon!
- Parking lot resurfacing and improvements—Need more cash to start this important project!
- Replacement of 3 original furnaces
- Van replacement—new Van has been purchased!
- Roof repairs
- Sound system repair and upgrades
- Kitchen appliance replacements





2015 Ford 350 Transit Van

When we brought our 2002 van in for routine maintenance in preparation for the retreat season this year, it was determined that it would not be cost effective to make the repairs. Safety has always been a priority as we use the van, particularly in our youth ministries, so with this in mind the council made the decision to investigate options. We were able to get a fair price for our old van through Car-Max and found this 12 passenger van with low miles at a good price. Thank you all for the support of this valuable tool in our ministries. We do have designated drivers that are approved through our insurance and safety policy. If you have a need for the van please contact marti@libcov.org to check the availability.

<u> A RESIDE DIVINER AEU</u>

invites seniors and friends to OUR MAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER AND MEETING with JOHN AND BETH HJELM as they share their recent TOUR OF SCANDINAVIA THURSDAY, MAY 12,

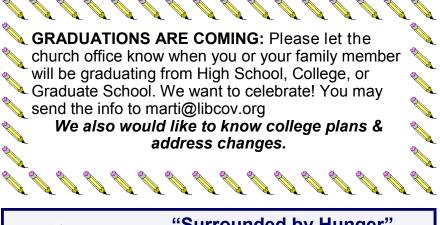
2016, 6:00 P.M.

AT CHURCH



Our own John and Beth Hjelm have recently returned from a four-month exchange program with North Park University and a Swedish folk high school. While there they enjoyed touring through much of Sweden, Norway and Denmark. We will enjoy their Scandinavian stories and photos as well as a catered meal at Church. (Approximate Cost: \$14.00)

Please sign up TODAY on the Information Desk to make your reservation.





"Surrounded by Hunger" **Annual Food Bank Drive**

The Outreach Committee appreciates your support of the April Food Pantry Drive with this year's goal being to raise \$6,000. Please consider how you may help with this important ministry. Volunteers from LCC staff the Food Pantry every Tuesday.

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) 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:** Colleen Sparks (847/837-8114) **Financial Secretary:** John Bethancourt (847/837-1690) Treasurer: David Oppedahl (918-9225) **Christian Formation CoChairs:** Heather Larson (815/901-3294) Larissa Greenfield (847/566-2254) **Deacon Committee Chair:** Claudia Nauman (847/680-8635) Fellowship Committee Co-Chairs: Darilyn Anderson (847/362-7871) Long-Range Planning Chair: Nancy McLinden (847/322-5416) **Outreach Committee CoChairs:** Chris Becker (847/951-6992) David Enquist (847/543-0309) **Stewardship Committee Chair:**

Trustee Committee Chair: Dan Frost (847/373-7432)

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LIBERTYVILLE (OVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

Sr. High Youth Group: Sunday, May 5, 8, 15 5-7 p.m.

Middle School Youth Group: Wednesday, May 4, 11, 18 6:30—7:45 p.m.

Youth Opportunities

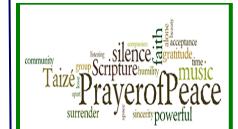
• We hope EVERY FAMILY IN

- OUR CHURCH will contrib-
- ute in some way to the silent
- auction and the rummage
- sale. It is especially important
- for those students and fami-
- lies that have enjoyed our
- youth and camping ministries
- over the years to help
- replenish the camp fund. The
- goal is that all students come
- help at the drop off day, May
- 28th (9-noon) and that they
- also contribute at least 2
- hours during the week prior to
- the sale with all hands on
- deck for the sale days &
- cleanup time on June 3 & 4.
- Please follow the links below
- to sign up to donate an auc-
- tion item, rummage sale sup-
- plies, and to volunteer your
- time at the rummage sale.
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- Link: CC AUCTION DONATION FORM
- Link: RUMMAGE SALE SIGN UP SHEETS

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



Our Middle School students and counselors went to the Bible tour concert at The Rosemont Theater recently. Twelve of us attended and saw the likes of Matthew West and Sidewalk Prophet, along with four other artists. Along with original and new music, scenes from the television series, The Bible, were displayed, enhancing our imaginations of both the Old and New Testament times. It was truly a gift to witness the Bible come to life in such artistic fullness. We are thankful for the opportunity.



May 8th at 5 p.m. the Sr. High Youth will have a Taize' worship service. A Taize' service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, liturgical readings, and icons. There is no preaching. The style of prayer practiced at Taize' has attracted many worshipers from around the globe and from many different denominations. All are welcome to join with the youth for this part of their evening. Middle School Youth will celebrate at a fun year end party on Wednesday May 18th along with our Kids Club. Don't miss the fun!!!!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY is May 1st

Come support our 4 Confirmands: Elias Chang, Peyton Gomez, Audrey Hawkins, Cali Lichter

Sunday, May 22—during SS we will mark a time in transition for our Seniors. At Youth Group we will stop & thank our Seniors as they have left an indelible mark at LCC. Plan to be here!!! Our HS Grads: Emily Anderson, Forrest Christian, Annika Hawkinson, Jesse Lee

Children's Ministries



This year has been a fantastic year for learning and growing closer to GOD through Sunday School, Children's Church, and Wednesday night Kid's Club! We would like to thank everyone who was a part of the children's lives, especially the volunteers who taught and helped in our classes.

Sunday School Preschool Angela Kosinski Heather Larson Marilyn Murray Kindergarten-2nd grade Nancy Borkman Debbie Kim Paul & Kristin Hawkinson Sarah Palmberg 3rd-5th grade Merileen Thorson Trevor James Jim & Michelle Pas **Bev Hawkins** Vicki Herrick **Children's Church Teachers** Niki Papak Merileen Thorson Jenna Glader

Wednesday Night Kid's Club Preschool

Nancy McLinden Darilyn Anderson *Kindergarten-5th grade* Larissa Greenfield Steve Leach *Music*—Maggie Johnson *Games*—Kirsten Peterson

Substitute Teachers Twyla Becker Rachel McLinden Beth and John Hjelm Lillian Johnson Rachel Couleur



May 15 Last formal day of Sunday School

- May 18 Last Kids Club before the summer schedule
- May 22 Year end Party for everyone who has participated in SS this past year (including Fall & Winter teachers)
- May 29 Summer Schedule Begins— Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Camp is Coming!

Summer is just around the corner! In order to encourage all of our kids to experience Christian camping this summer, refunds are again being offered. Each LCC child attending camp this summer is eligible for a refund: \$150/week, \$100/5-day, \$100/3-day, \$25/day camp, \$100/child for family camp. This will be refunded to each family by mid-summer as funds become available. As always, full scholarships are available for those who may need additional assistance with the cost. Registration materials for Covenant Point are now available in the Church narthex or check their website www.cpbc.com. Covenant Harbor has switched to an entirely online system, so feel free to register at www.covenantharbor.org anytime. LCC would like to extend the same discount to your friend/quest who attends camp with you! We would like to know who is attending camp and for which weeks, so please complete the Rebate Form (found on the board at the Information Center in the narthex) and turn it in to the office. You must check the refund or scholarship line if interested in either option. If neither is checked, we will leave your refund in the Youth Camping Fund.

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



Tues/Thurs: 10 am-4 pm Wednesday: 2-5:30 pm

RUMMAGE SALE

Drop off Day May 28

9 a.m.—noon Sale Days June 3 & 4 Spring is here!!! (almost) Which means our annual church rummage sale is quickly approaching. The rummage sale is a great fundraiser for our church and always includes hours of fellowship and fun. Your help is greatly needed & appreciated! Please start saving your

treasures to donate now. WE NEED YOUR THINGS!

If you are unable to store your things until the drop off day, please let us know & we will do our best to find space until the sale. Nancy McLinden has again agreed to be our sale coordinator. We are working on storage options. If you have a space you would be willing to let us use til the end of May, please let us know. Call or email the church office if you have questions. 847-362-3308 or Marti@libcov.org.

... THANK YOU!

Please plan to help as much as possible during drop off day, the week of pricing, and on the sale days! AND when you visit a garage sale invite them to give us things that are left.

Consider finding a buddy and committing to coordinate a room of our sale—sign up sheets will be available soon so think of the area(s) you would like to focus on & recruit some friends to join you in a worthy short term project.



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. Childcare is provided. The facilitators for this group are Karin Lundstedt and Julie Dahlberg. *May 13th will be the final MOM to MOM group for the year.*

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. Wednesday Facilitators: Christy James and Teresa Anderson. *Call the church office 847-362-3308 if you have questions. Friends and Neighbors are welcome. This group will conclude on May 18th.*

LET'S CELEBRATE!

The Fellowship Committee invites all women to celebrate our brides. If you would like to help with a shower or participate in a group gift, please see Darilyn or Marti. To help provide food at an upcoming shower, follow this link: LCC Shower Signup or call the church office.

Saturday, June 25th at 10 a.m. Wedding Shower Brunch for Mallory Albers, daughter of Tim & Christie, who will be married to Ryan Steinhofer here this fall. Mallory is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Crate & Barrel.





Saturday, July 25, 2016 at 10 a.m. Wedding Shower Brunch for Amy Frost, daughter of Dan & Ann, who will be married this fall to Craig Bagdon. Amy is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Zola.com

- 1 Olivia Dalton
- 2 Andra Dalton
- 3 Kelly Ann Sawyer
- 5 Jessica Sawyer Brooke Sparks
- 7 Bonita Westerberg
- 8 Luke Anderson Ben Palmberg
- 10 Marcia Junas
- 14 Susan Barg
- 16 Suzy Nelson

- **19** /Liam Junas
- 20/ Jay Gustafson
- 23 Courtney Reese
- 24 Jennifer Anderer David A. Anderson Julie Clausen
- 26 Teresa Anderson
- 29 Bob Anderson Alan Hinz
- **30** Henry Cederberg
- 31 Karin Lundstedt

May Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 6 John & Elizabeth Christian (1995)
- 13 Wes & Vicki Maynard (1977)
- 14 Robert & Karen North (1966)
- **15** Al & Carol Nielson (1971)
- **19** John & Beth Hjelm (1979)
- 22 John & Bev Hawkins (1999)
- **29** Wes & Deb Lindahl (1976)

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!**

Our Libertyville Covenant Church Cookbooks make great hostess and teacher gifts. Over 450 of our familyfavorite recipes can be yours for a suggested donation of just \$5 each. You will find them at the Information Center in the Narthex.



NURSERY NEWS

Things in the infant and preschool nurseries are going well. I'd like to thank all of our Sunday School volunteers, you all are such a blessing and I enjoy working alongside all of you! Thank you for volunteering over this last school year.

We look forward to the summer and coming events at the church. Nursery will be available during the summer during church. A lot of people come and go during the summer and our volunteers may not be as available. Would you please consider serving in one of the nurseries for a week or two over the summer? Please pray about how you might be able to serve. You can email me at tricia@libcov.org or call/ text me at 847-858-2430.





Libertyville Covenant Church

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Our Mission is...

to grow disciples, to grow the church, and to grow the Kingdom of God.

Our Vision is...

We grow disciples as we praise and learn together We grow the church as we love and give together We grow the Kingdom of God as we serve and share together

Our Core Values are...

Relationships: with God, each other, and the world around us Authenticity: being real people with real issues before our real God. Engagement: all are gifted, all are called, all have a place in the ministry Community: everyone is welcome to join us on the journey





Libertyville Covenant Church 250 S. St. Mary's Road Libertyville, IL 60048 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.

MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Confirmation 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 2:30 p.m. Winchester 3:00 p.m. Recital—Tan 5:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth	2	3 9 a.m. Food Pan- try	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 6:45 p.m. Choir	5 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong 7 p.m. Wor- ship Team	6 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	7 8 a.m. Furni- ture Ministry 9 a.m. Wor- ship Commit- tee 12-6 p.m. vio- lin recital – Kirkeeng
8 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth—Taize' Service	9 Newslet- ter dead- line	10 9 a.m. Food Pan- try 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	12 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6 p.m. FDF @ Church 7 p.m. Wor- ship Team	13 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9 a.m. MOM to MOM 6 p.m. Re- deemer Life	14
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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE			
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26 Dennis Dieball SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY (9:15) MAY 1 Tricia Leach & Nancy McLinden 8 Tricia Leach & Lee Vollrath 15 Tricia Leach & Linda Lee 22 Tricia Leach & Joan Groody No Sunday School for the summer	 26 Donna Clark INFANT NURSERY (10:15 a.m.) MAY Kristen Bethancourt & Heather Larson Tricia Leach Kirsten Peterson & Donna Lindley Arlene Werner & Kat Tranel Caren Vollrath & Bev Hawkins JUNE Trevor & Christy James Julie Wojcik & Rachel Couleur Debbie Kim & Heather Larson Kat Tranel & Ellen Hall 	26 Linda Lee PRESCHOOL NURSERY (10:15) MAY 1 Ann Frost & Lori Hartnett 8 Bill & Chris Anderson 15 Bill & Jenna Glader 22 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson 29 Angela Kocinski & Tricia Leach JUNE 5 Bill & Chris Anderson 12 Bill & Jenna Glader 19 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson 26 Angela Kocinski & Kirsten Peterson	
CHILDREN'S CHURCH MAY 1 Hawkinson Family 8 Vollrath Family 15 Papak / Clark 22 Pas Family 29 Hawkins Family 29 Hawkins Family 12 Hawkinson Family 19 Vollrath Family 26 Papak / Clark	USHERS MAY: Lee Vollrath, Carl Zienty, Ken Werner, Lisa Kindstrom, Steve Leach, Chris Johnson JUNE: Jim Krueger, Dave Enquist, Bob Hartnett, Bill Anderson, Bob Peterson JULY: Paul Lindley, John Hjelm, Jill Heath, Roger Clausen	If you are not able to fulfill a date you are scheduled for, please find some- one to switch dates with you. <i>Thank you!</i> Children's Church Coordinator: Niki Papak (951-8275) npapak80@gmail.com Nursery Coordinator: Tricia Leach (920-8005) tricia@libcov.org	

Coffee Hour Rotation

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. 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 fellow-ship 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!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED: Contact Maggie Johnson 847/772-8564