

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 12,
2016 Please send items to
marti@libcov.org

“Wholly Holy, but Holey”

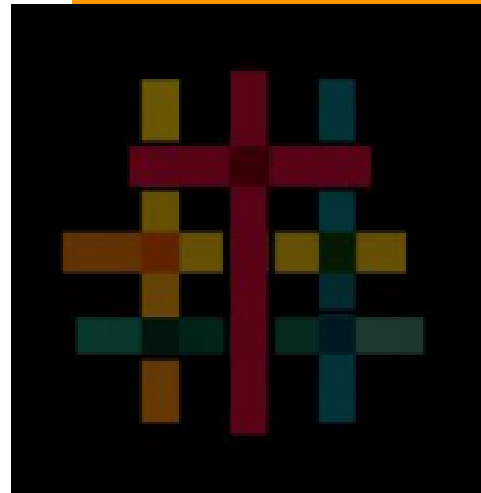
by Pastor Steve Larson

Every Christian must focus both outward and inward with their faith. Outwardly, we care for each other within the church and we serve this world as Jesus did, telling people about Him. Inwardly, we worship God regularly and continue to grow more like Him every day. This inward side of our faith is called “holiness”.

And holiness is our life's goal. When we proclaim Jesus as Lord, when we sing that God is all that matters, when we pray that everything we do would bring glory to God, we are publicly proclaiming the primacy of holiness in our life. And this is as it should be for Christians. “*Seek first God's kingdom and righteousness...*” Jesus says in Matt. 6:33. “*You are to be holy because I, the Lord, am holy, and I have set you apart from the nations to be my own,*” God says in Lev. 20:26. We are called first and foremost to be holy.

Like a beautiful tapestry,

our holiness has many strands. When we love our spouse completely, when we raise our children in the Lord rather than in the culture, when we speak well of those who curse us (or just really annoy us!), when we study and learn and worship and love and actively seek to



grow... each of these strands of our lives make up the tapestry of our holiness. But our reality is that through attack, neglect, and sin, our tapestries can easily develop holes. We may be really strong in our “*rules for living as a Christian*” but be very selfish when it comes to

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our reputation. We may be deeply generous with our time and money, but living by the world's laws rather than God's.

Every one of us is seeking to be wholly holy, and this pleases God deeply. But this requires diligence beyond a few hours per week, or even per day. It is a constant pattern of growth in our lives, seeking out those holes in our tapestry of holiness, praying for God to reveal them. And once God reveals a hole, doing the work to repair it.

Where are the holes in your holiness tapestry? How might they be repaired? Let me suggest the church as a place for both training and help in the repair. Again and again I hear from people that when they let their commitment to church slide, the holes grow. When we come together, whether for a bible study, worship, a service project, or a picnic, we encourage each other to holiness and the repairs get easier. *"Let us consider how we may spur one another on to love and good deeds (iow, holiness), not giving up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another..."* (Heb. 10:24)

Be holy as our God is holy. See if today you can bump your personal holiness up the priority ladder a rung or two. And if you get overwhelmed, let the church encourage you, spurring you on to holiness. You're not alone in this; we're all in this together.

Worship in September . . .

In our family, we seldom "promise" to do anything. We warned our kids early on that a promise cannot be broken and so should be made very carefully. If we promise to take the trash out, that promise moves it to the top of the priority list, meaning other things must move down. Promises are potent.

In our Christian life, we make promises when we are baptized and when we become members of the church. We call them "vows" or "covenants", and this fall we will be looking at the individual pieces of these two important covenants of baptism and membership. Come and join us as we rededicate ourselves to the promises we've made and learn how God can bless us through them.



Sunday, September 4

"Promises are Potent"

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Matthew 5:33-37

Sunday, September 18

"Logos"

Psalms 119:1-11

2 Timothy 3:14-17

Sunday, September 11

"Confession"

Acts 3:1-10, 11-20

Acts 4:1-22

Sunday, September 25

"Life Abundant"

Micah 6:6-8

Acts 2:42-47

FALL KICKOFF

Sunday, September 11, 2016

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

We will gather together for a time of singing and introduction of the teachers and curriculum.

10:30 a.m. Worship

Intro to our fall sermon series "Promises" and presentation of Bibles to Kindergarten students

Noon Picnic

Burgers, Brats & Hot dogs will be provided, please bring a salad, side, and or dessert to share, as well as chairs or picnic blankets.

PADS Opportunity by Maggie Johnson

WINTER IS COMING and the need for shelter will come with it! The good news is that you can help. Libertyville Covenant Church has committed to setting up beds as well as providing and serving dinner for several PADS dates this season.

Providing Advocacy Dignity and Shelter is a nonprofit organization that has worked more than 35 years to bridge the gap for needs not provided for by social services. Our church has been very supportive of this program for many years and several of our members would like to continue doing so.

Those of us who have worked the Libertyville site for quite a few years have seen the mentally ill, the alcoholics, the single fathers with very young children, the families who are temporarily out of housing and more. All, without thought to race, gender, or religion find a satisfying meal and a warm, safe place to sleep as our "guests" for the night.

As of now, we have committed to provide these services on three Saturdays. It would also be great if anyone has a group that would be willing to provide a lunch or two in the season as well. If you would be willing to participate in this program in any way, please contact Maggie Johnson to find out dates and menus. The PADS website contains this beautiful thought:

"It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving." Mother Teresa

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

All are invited to join us for Adult Sunday School this fall. We meet in the Sanctuary at 9:15 a.m. If you have questions, contact Larissa Greenfield or Heather Larson.

September 11 Twice, Twice & Intro to The Wired Word
(Adult Sunday school lessons that confront *the* news with Scripture and hope. Intended to spark and inspire meaningful discussions.)

September 18 The Wired Word

September 25-Oct 23 The Wired Word

October 30- December 4 A book of the Bible
Study - TBA (facilitated by Heather Larson)

Winchester House Worship Services

Our monthly services continue at the Winchester House Nursing Home in Libertyville. LCC has several dedicated regular attenders who help by reading scripture, leading hymn singing, and interacting with the residents.

In August, Dr. Hauna Ondrey-Johnson was our guest speaker and Kari Reid (a former member of LCC), along with her two daughters Ingrid and Kirsten supplied special music. A friend of Ingrid's rounded out the string quartet, comprised of two cellos and two violins. It was a special treat for all attending!

Upcoming speakers include Valerie Makkai, Karen Hinz and Paul Nauman.

We encourage all to join the worship of God with our grateful audience, attending the 2:30 p.m. service on the first Sunday of every month. If any of you would be interested in taking a turn at delivering a homily or would like to offer special music for any of these services, please contact Maggie Johnson.



ADDRESS UPDATE

Fehlberg, Dick
Sunrise Senior Center
Room #209
500 N. Hunt Club Road
Gurnee, IL 60031

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. Our first morning will be on Thursday, September 15. 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.



The Antichrist. 666, the Number of the Beast. The final defeat of Satan. The End of the world. Which book of the bible has all of these and more? None of them! To find out what this means, join us on Wednesday nights for our Adult Bible Study. We'll be looking at the book of Revelation, the final book of the bible. We meet right after supper at 6:45 p.m. in the Confirmation Room every Wednesday. Come and grow with us! *For information contact Pastor Steve at 847-362-3308 or steve@libcov.org.*

Welcome Pastor Bruce

We are so excited to be welcoming Pastor Bruce Thorson to our staff this September 1. Pastor Bruce will be our new Pastor to Senior Adults, overseeing care and visitation for our seniors. We will commission Pastor Bruce in worship on Sept. 4.



Ordained as a Covenant Pastor in '82, Pastor Bruce served churches in Dawson, MN and Aurora, NE. He then transitioned into the chaplaincy with Covenant Retirement Communities and served at Covenant Village of Northbrook for 22 years. During that time, Pastor Bruce was certified as a Covenant Spiritual Director as well. He retired from full time ministry last year though he still works with Covenant Village and mentors North Park Seminary students, and he is ready for a new ministerial role with us at LCC.

This history makes Bruce a wonderful addition to our staff. Both in training and experience, Bruce is uniquely qualified to understand the many and various issues of aging, transition, and growth. Through his ministry, Bruce has grown an appreciation for the healing ministry of the church, the chance to tell and share our stories with one another, and the importance of wholeness in all aspects of life - in body, in mind, and in spirit. Bruce recognizes the unique importance of living in the moment and of seeing aging as a time of learning and growth.

Pastor Bruce is married to Merileen and they have 4 wonderful children, one of whom is our own Sarah Palmberg. Merileen teaches 4th grade at Richmond Elementary School. Bruce spends much of his time fishing, traveling, and simply enjoying their grandchildren. He is excited to get to know our stories, so be sure to welcome Pastor Bruce to our staff the next time you see him. May God bless our church through the ministry of Pastor Bruce, and bless Pastor Bruce through the ministry of our church. You can reach Pastor Bruce at 847-421-2732 or bruce@libcov.org.

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

Welcome Alicia

With a long tradition of welcoming and training interns here at LCC, we are happy to welcome Alicia Reese as our 2016-2017 pastoral intern. Alicia has felt called to ministry since she was 14, but spent her college years focused on the performing arts. Through this she and her husband Courtney came to Chicago where she wound up enrolling at North Park Seminary. She graduated with a Master of Arts in Theological Studies and a Master of Arts in Non-Profit Business Administration dual degree. Upon graduation they moved up to Round Lake and began attending Libertyville Covenant Church two years ago. Alicia has been working part time with Feed My Starving Children, raising a family of four, and serving as the Chair of our Worship Committee.



Alicia has decided to complete her seminary training at North Park and seek her ordination to Word and Sacrament. Her first step is her year of internship and so will be serving us in this capacity. With scholarships and financial help from the seminary, we are able to bring Alicia on with no increase to our budget. She will continue her work with our Worship Committee and oversight of our Christmas Program as well as attending meetings, occasional preaching, and helping in pastoral duties.

We are excited that God has brought this opportunity to Alicia and to LCC, and look forward to the coming year of growth, ministry, and service together. You can reach Pastor Alicia at 734-637-5979 or Alicia@libcov.org.

Journeying Together: A Faithful Response to Addiction, Saturday, November 12, 2016, North Park University, Chicago, IL. Explore how congregations and healthcare professionals can collaborate to respond faithfully to the challenge of addictions, from drugs to alcohol; food to sex. Mark Laaser, M.Div., Ph.D, nationally recognized as the leading authority in the field of sexual addiction, will be the keynote speaker. For more information on this second biennial faith and health symposium offered by North Park Theological Seminary and North Park University School of Nursing and Health Sciences in collaboration with the School of Professional Studies, go to <http://www.northpark.edu/Events/Featured/Faith-and-Health-Symposium> or call 773-244-6214. Continuing education is available for a number of professions. Early bird registration ends September 30.

Love INC of Lake County

Physical Office & Warehouse

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Waukegan, IL 60085

[Our "no client walk-in" policy remains]

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Gurnee, IL 60031

Office Phone 847.782.8630

Fax Number 847.782.8631

Ministry Needs

Receptionist: "Hello, Love in the Name of Christ. How may I help you?" Loving voices are needed to answer the phone. One day/week, Mon-Fri, 9:30a-1:15pm.

Warehouse Organizers: Fix it, clean it, organize it! We are seeking a four-five folks to manage donations and ensure we are serving our families with the excellence God desires. Days/times are flexible.

Kitchen Tables: Kitchen tables seating 4-8 people in great condition (plus chairs) are needed to help our families share a meal together.

Dressers: We are passing up families on our wait-list because our dresser inventory is too low! On average, 80 dressers are on back order.

Gifts from the heart

Love INC of Lake County

Dinner  Auction

Friday, October 28, 2016

Holiday Inn Gurnee
6161 W. Grand Ave, Gurnee, IL

6:00pm social hour/silent auction
7:30pm dinner and program
\$65/person \$500/table of 8

loveinlakecounty.org
847.782.8630

Financial Summary thru July 2016

Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 297,296
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 292,170
Cost Savings/ (Overrun)	\$ 5,126

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET GIVING VS. BUDGET

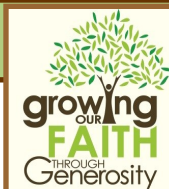
Giving YTD	\$ 245,850
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 297,296
Budget (Deficit)/Surplus	\$ (51,446)

INCOME VS. EXPENSES

Income YTD	\$ 245,850
Expenses YTD	\$ 292,170
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (46,320)

Please be sure that we have your current information & family picture. All info may be sent to marti@libcov.org or left in the church office. If you would like us to take a new picture for you we are happy to do so on any Sunday just let us know. Thank you!

Capital Campaign progress report:



Thanks to everyone who is supporting our Capital Campaign! We have been able to do the following much needed projects:

Purchase a used 2015 Ford Van, which has already been used successfully for Church functions.

Replace the carpet in the Narthex, Office and Nursery areas. The walls were also painted in all these rooms, for a totally fresh look!

Our front parking lot is done! We resurfaced the North half of the lot previously. The remaining old asphalt from the front half has now been replaced. A curb has been installed to help keep the asphalt from crumbling on the edges, and as a safety feature to keep cars from slipping off the edge. Since the base layer of asphalt did not need replacing, we were able to obtain a nice cost savings! Next on the list is replacing our aging furnaces!

Updated Capital Campaign for 2016. We have received \$137,320 in pledges--our goal is \$200,000 so we need to raise a little over \$62,000. We have received over \$72,000 in cash. About 31% of our membership has pledged or given to this point. Have you had a chance to pledge or participate in the Capital Campaign?

Our Church is not just used on Sunday morning. We are thankful for having a great facility which fosters worship, praise and fellowship!



FIRESIDE DINNER FELLOWSHIP

invites seniors and friends to the
SADDLEBROOK LAKE LODGE
Friday, September 9, 2016
6:00 p.m.

We will enjoy a pleasant evening of fellowship, fun, and food prepared by the unique chefs in Lake County—us. Our own Pastor Steve and Heather Larson will share their life stories and lead us in singing favorite songs... Watch for the signup sheet for food to bring.



LOOKING AHEAD:

Thursday, October 13, 2016, 6:00 p.m. "Antiques" with the Dave & Beth Enquist at Whitney Street Café, Grayslake

Thursday, November 10, 2016, 6:00 p.m.
"Light Soup Supper" & offering to benefit Bjorklund House, a home for developmentally disabled adults that is part of the Covenant Enabling Residences of Illinois. Julie Smith, Administrator of Bjorklund House will be with us.



SPIN to Covenant Harbor



Senior Day will be Wednesday, August 31st, from 10 a.m.—3 p.m. Cost is \$22 per person. Join our Fireside Friends as we spend the day at Covenant Harbor! Enjoy a delicious brunch prepared by

their 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 also be available. To register, sign up at the Information Desk. See Vonnie Johnson for details or if you need transportation. Meet at church at 8:15 a.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.

Pastor: Steve Larson (815/508-4450)

Associate Pastor to Youth:

Paul Couleur (847/331-3640)

Pastor to Senior Adults:

Bruce Thorson (847-421-2732)

Pastoral Intern:

Alicia Reese (734-637-5979)

Director of Children's Ministries:

Bobby Becker (224/688-3667)

Nursery Coordinator:

Tricia Leach (847/920-8005)

Office Coordinator:

Marti Anderson (847/362-3308)

Custodians:

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:

Jeff Bark (847/247-8136)

Trustee Committee Chair:

Dan Frost (847/373-7432)

LIBERTYVILLE COVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY



Fall Retreat Dates:

October 7-10
Middle School
Retreat @ Covenant
Point

October 14-16
Believe.Love.Serve.
Sr. High Retreat
@ Covenant Harbor
Register online at
Covenantharbor.org

Jr. High Youth Group:

Wednesdays, 6:30—7:45 p.m.
September 14, 21, 28

Sr. High Youth Group:

Sundays, 5-7 p.m.
September 18th—Students & Par-
ents come for dinner & to hear what
we will be doing this fall.
September 25th—Youth group



Paul Couleur,
Associate
Pastor to Youth
paul@libcov.org
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LCC Youth Ministries 2016 focus “Opportunities to Serve”

MIDDLE SCHOOL & SENIOR HIGH Pool Party @ Hawkinson's

Saturday, August 27th 5-8 p.m. The sun is hot and the waters cool, it's time for a summer party by the pool! Come one and all with towel in hand and a suit ready for the occasion. Food and drink will be provide for all, make sure you're there we will have a ball. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Save the Dates for the Winter Retreats:

February 3-5, 2017	Jr. High Deep Freeze @ Covenant Harbor
February 17-19, 2017	3rd—5th graders Winterfest @ Covenant Harbor
February 17-20, 2017	Sr. High One Life @ Covenant Point

SENIOR HIGH



SERVING OTHERS



On Tuesday, August 2nd a group of Jr. High Youth were a great help as they served at the food pantry.



Children's Ministries

What We're Doing!

The School year is starting up again and we are getting back into our regular rythmn! Here is what will be happening all throughout this year!

- **Sunday School!**

Sunday School is starting up again! This year we are continuing to use the program "FaithWeaver Now" to explore the different stories of the Bible. Join us at 9:15 a.m. Sunday mornings to be a part of these great lessons! There are classes for kids from age 4 to 5th grade! Be sure to check out the Drive Home Newsletter for more details each week on what the kids are learning!

- **Children's Church!**

Each week kids in 5th grade and under will be dismissed to go downstairs for a special message designed for kids that reflects what the sermon is teaching. This may include a craft, game or other activity so that the kids can interact with the lessons being learned in the sanctuary!

- **Kid's Club!**

Join us Wednesday Nights at 5:30 p.m. for dinner! After dinner, the kids get together for a night of fun and learning where we echo and continue to explore the lessons that were started with Sunday School. Each week we will be following the same story as Sunday School in a slightly different way! And every week there are great games and music!

- **The Drive Home Newsletter!**

Each week on Sunday, check the website for the Drive Home Newsletter! It will have a brief explanation of the lessons that happened that day along with some suggested questions for conversation starters! It also has great reminders and announcements each week!

If you would like to volunteer in any of our Children's Ministries either on Sunday mornings or for the Wednesday Night Kid's Club, please contact Bobby or one of our Christian Formation Chairs, Larissa Greenfield 847-566-2254 or Heather Larson 815-901-3294.

Sacrament Workshop

"When should kids start taking communion?" This Fall, we are working with Pastor Steve to put together a Sacrament Workshop one Sunday after church. This workshop aims to answer questions like this one, equip families to discuss the sacraments with their kids, and explain to kids what the sacraments are. Details will be coming soon!



Christian Formation Teachers & Counselors 2016-2017

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pre-School: Angela Kocinski
Twyla Becker

K-2nd Grade: Carlene Lichter
Paul & Kristin Hawkinson

3-5th Grade: Merileen Thorson
Heather Linea Bennett

Jr. High Youth (Confirmation):
Pastor Steve Larson
Steve Leach

Sr. High Youth: Ken Greenfield
Paul Couleur

Adult SS: Heather Larson

KIDS CLUB

Pre-School:
Nancy McLinden
Mary Lutter

K-5th Grade:
Larissa Greenfield
Steve Leach
Josh Larson

Kids Music: Maggie Johnson

Kids Games: Kirsten Peterson

Jr. High Youth Group:
Paul Couleur, Claudia Nauman,
Dave A. Anderson, Rachel
McLinden

Sr. High Youth:
Paul Couleur
Dave & Darilyn Anderson
Eric & Jessica Sawyer
Melissa Schau



Bobby Becker, Director of
Children's Ministries
Bobby@libcov.org
224/688-3667
Tues/Thurs: 10 am-4 pm
Wednesday: 2-5:30 pm



NURSERY NEWS

It has been a year since I took this job of nursery coordinator. I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve the Libertyville Covenant Church nurseries. I am thankful for the opportunity to work alongside so many wonderful and loving volunteers. I truly enjoy and look forward to serving with each one of my volunteers. I also enjoy spending time with the littles of our church!

We have some kids moving up from the preschool nursery to the kindergarten class! This is an exciting time for them and they look forward to receiving their bibles when they move up. Two of our toddlers have moved into the preschool class and we anxiously await the arrival of some new babies! This is an exciting time and a great time for you to pray about how you might get involved. We could really use some extra hands! If we can get some more volunteers, we can spread out our current and consistent volunteers. Would you please pray about getting involved?

The MOM to MOM group will be starting in the fall as well as our Wednesday night church activities. We could use volunteers during those times as well!

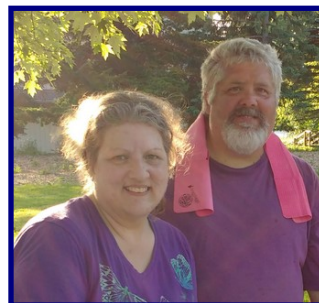
I hope you have all enjoyed your summer!



Tricia Leach,
Nursery Coordinator
tricia@libcov.org
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“What’s for dinner this week?” That’s not an unusual conversation opener we receive on most Sunday’s during fellowship hour! by John and Bev Hawkins

Back in 2012, John began volunteering to help Kathy Nelson in the kitchen as she prepared dinner for the Wednesday night crowds. At first, John was curious as to how Kathy planned and cooked for the crowd with such ease, soon however it became a strong desire to learn all he could so we could help keep the program going after the Nelson’s retired in 2013.



August of 2013 we started cooking every Wednesday for the evening crowd. What fun to plan, shop, prepare and serve this huge family dinner each week! It’s not just fun and good food we enjoy each week, it’s the community and family relationship-building that happens over the chopping boards, cooking pots, serving line, table conversations, dish water and left-over tupperware! We both feel it’s the comradery we have built with everyone who has helped to keep the program(s) going over the past years that keeps us so connected to our church.

Over time, John has on occasion dared to introduce a few “bolder” options (ie a bit more spicy!) to the menu selections and is thrilled to find that there are others in our church who have a similar palate for hot and spicy food! (Don’t worry, we always have options for those of us who aren’t quite as daring!)

Getting involved will guarantee that you will leave at the end of the night with a bit brighter of a smile in your soul after the banter, teasing and conversations and group games the night brings. Where can you get involved? Well we have needs for some preparations, serving, cleaning up, washing dishes, putting away left-overs. We can always use help in the kids programs too. Some prefer to come have dinner, help clean up and then join the Bible studies, choir practice or group conversations.

As we begin our 4th year of cooking on Wednesdays, John and I look forward to our weekly dinner with our big family! We encourage you to consider how you can add this night into your schedules, even if you come just for dinner, you will find yourself looking forward to coming back the next week. The fellowship is true, fun, and refreshingly energizing for the middle of the work week!

Join us for Wednesday night dinners this Fall!

\$3/person or \$8/family

September 14th - Dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Followed by all our regular programs: Kids Club, Jr. High Youth Group, Adult Study, Moms Group, Choir Rehearsal

Are you wondering what is for dinner & how your family can help??? Check out the link below.

[WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU AND VOLUNTEER SIGNUP SHEET](#)



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. **The Friday Morning group** meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month during the school year beginning on September 23rd. 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 14th, 6:45 –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 Facilitator: 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 as we gather to support one another.*

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.



Thursday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m. a Wedding Shower for **Chelsi Palmerin** who will be married to **Kevin Nikkel** (son of Art & Kris) here at LCC in October.

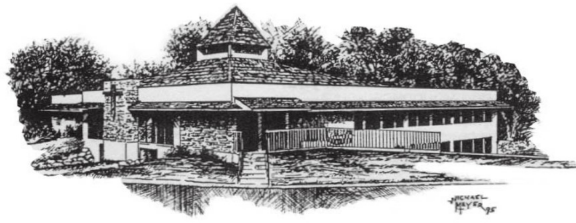
September Anniversaries

- 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)

September Birthdays

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

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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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

In the Spirit



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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.

September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7 p.m. Ping Pong	2 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	3 8 a.m. Furniture Ministry
4 10:30 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. CM Team	5 Labor Day 7p.m. NA	6	7 6:45 p.m. Choir	8 6 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal	9 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 6 p.m. FDF Saddlebrook Picnic 3 p.m. Williams Wedding	10 9 a.m. Worship Committee
11 KICKOFF 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 12 noon Picnic	12 Newsletter deadline 7p.m. NA	13 7 p.m. Church Council	14 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	15 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Ping Pong 7 p.m. Shower for Chelsi Palmerin/Kevin Nikkel 7 p.m. YL Capernaum	16 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal	17 3:30 p.m. Albers/Steinhofer Wedding
18 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 5 p.m. SH Youth & Parents Dinner & Fall Info meeting	19 7p.m. NA	20 7 p.m. Deacons	21 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	22 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Worship Team	23 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9-11 a.m. MOM to MOM	24
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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

LAY READER AUGUST 28 Darilyn Anderson SEPTEMBER 4 Maggie Johnson 11 Michelle Pas 18 Roger Clausen 25 Trevor James OCTOBER 2 Darilyn Anderson 9 David Enquist 16 John Hjelm 23 Caren Vollrath 30 Owen Youngman	GREETERS AUGUST 28 Dick & Eileen Fehlberg SEPTEMBER 4 Jay & Jamie Gustafson 11 Bill & Jenna Glader 18 Ken & Larissa Greenfield 25 Joan & Pat Groody OCTOBER 2 Bob & Lori Hartnett 9 John & Bev Hawkins 16 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson 23 Jill Heath 30 Vicki Herrick	FELLOWSHIP HOUR AUGUST 28 Naumans SEPTEMBER 4 John & Suzy Nelson 11 Nielsons 18 Nikkels 25 Laura Nordgren OCTOBER 2 Dave & Marie Oppedahl 9 Ben & Sarah Palmberg 16 Mary Palmer 23 Niki & Thor Papak 30 Jim & Michelle Pas
SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY (9:15 a.m.) SEPTEMBER 11 Tricia Leach & Lee Vollrath 18 Tricia Leach & Joan Groody 25 Tricia Leach & Linda Lee OCTOBER 2 Tricia Leach & Nancy McLinden 9 Tricia Leach & Teresa Anderson 16 Tricia Leach & Maggie Johnson 23 Tricia Leach & Judie Duba 30 Tricia Leach & Lee Vollrath	INFANT NURSERY (10:15 a.m.) AUGUST 28 Trevor & Christy James SEPTEMBER 4 Arlene Werner & Kat Tranel 11 Donna Lindley & Lilian Johnson 18 Bev Hawkins & Julie Wojcik 25 Caren Vollrath & Ellen Hall OCTOBER 2 Kirsten Peterson & Donna Lindley 9 Arlene Werner & Kristen Bethancourt 16 Kat Tranel & Bev Hawkins 23 Caren Vollrath & Julie Wojcik 30 Ellen Hall & Ann Frost	PRESCHOOL NURSERY (9:15) AUGUST 28 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson SEPTEMBER 4 Bill & Chris Anderson 11 Bill & Jenna Glader 18 Heather Larson & 25 Ann Frost & Lori Hartnett OCTOBER 2 Nate & Melissa Schau 9 Bill & Chris Anderson 16 Sarah Palmberg & Merileen Thorson 23 Steve & Tricia Leach 30 Heather Larson & Jenna Glader
<p><i>If you are not able to fulfill a date you are scheduled for, please find someone to switch dates with you. Thank you!</i></p> <p>Children's Church Coordinator: Niki Papak (951-8275) npapak80@gmail.com</p> <p>Nursery Coordinator: Tricia Leach (920-8005) tricia@libcov.org</p>	CHILDREN'S CHURCH AUGUST 28 Nauman SEPTEMBER 4 Hawkinson 11 Vollrath 18 Papak/Clark 25 Pas OCTOBER 2 Hawkins 9 Nauman 16 Hawkinson 23 Vollrath 30 Papak/Clark	USHERS AUGUST: Lee Vollrath, Carl Zienty, Ken Werner, Steve Leach, Chris Johnson SEPTEMBER: Jim Krueger, Dave Enquist, Bob Hartnett, Bill Anderson, Bob Peterson OCTOBER: Paul Lindley, John Hjelm, Jill Heath, Roger Clausen

Wednesday night dinners begin on September 14th & we always need volunteers to help with food prep, serving, and cleanup. Please check out the signup link below and consider helping out with this important ministry.

[WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU AND VOLUNTEER SIGNUP SHEET](#)