

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
January *In the Spirit* is
Monday, December 10, 2018
Please send items to
marti@libcov.org

A Gift that Matters

by Pastor Steve Larson

Who gives you
Christmas gifts
these days?

As I've aged, I've found that I get fewer and fewer gifts. Heather and I stopped giving each other gifts a long time ago and only occasionally get a special gift together. Our families give to our kids but seldom to the adults (though grandma and grandpa are an exception!) But we still get cookies from friends and neighbors, crafts from Isaac, and clothes from the folks. How about you? Do you do "Secret Santa" at work or school? Get ties or scarves from your kids? Who gives you Christmas gifts these days?

At some point someone gave you the best Christmas gift you've ever received. It was a relationship with Jesus. And that gift has given you a Leader, a King, and a Friend throughout your life, has given you a Community in which to grow, play, and serve, and most of all has given you Eternal Life. Now that's a pretty special gift.



Can you imagine your life had you not received that gift? What would your life look like if that person

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had decided that it was too uncomfortable to talk with you about Jesus, or they were too busy, or it just wasn't something they did? Who would you be without prayer and guidance, a church community, or hope for your eternity?

This year, we may give sweaters or toys, money or gift cards, and we know that these gifts won't change anyone's year, let alone their life, let alone their eternity. But you have the ability and calling to give a gift this year that can change all of this and a whole lot more. You can tell someone about your life with Christ, about His gift of salvation and His mission for this world, and you can invite them to join us at LCC as we grow and serve together. What might that person's life be like in a few years if you give THAT gift? What will their eternity look like if you don't?

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WORSHIP IN DECEMBER . . .

If you've ever looked closely at Jesus' family tree, you'll find some surprises. One of those surprises is that in a male-dominated historical line, five different women are mentioned, and they are mentioned for a reason. This Advent, join us as we take a look at these five women, their lives, and the significance of each for Jesus' family tree.

Abram
was the
father of
Isaac, and
Isaac the
father of Jacob,
and Jacob the
father of Judah and
his brothers, and
Judah the father of Perez
and Zerah by Tamar, and
Perez the father of Hezron,
and Hezron the father of Ram,
and Ram the father of
Amminadab, and Amminadab the
father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the
father of Salomon, and Salomon the father
of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of
Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse,
and Jesse the father of David the king, and
David was the father of Solomon by the wife of
Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and
Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father
of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and
Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of
Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the
father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah
the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and
Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his
brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon, and after the
deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and
Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and
Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Asor, and Asor the
father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud,
and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthew, and Matthew
the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph
the husband
of Mary, of
whom was
born

JESUS
who is called Christ.

Sunday, December 2
The Women of Advent: Tamar
Genesis 38:1-26

Sunday, December 9
The Women of Advent: Rahab
Joshua 2:1-21

Sunday, December 16
The Women of Advent: Ruth
Ruth 1:1-22

Sunday, December 23
The Women of Advent: Bathsheba
2 Samuel 11:2-27



December 24th at 4:00 & 10:00 p.m.

The Women of Advent: Mary

Scripture text: Luke 1:26-38

Sunday, December 30 – Worship at 10:30 a.m.



Thanks to the Worship Committee for preparing the special Thanksgiving Eve Service and the weekly worship services.



Adult Sunday School

9:15 a.m.
Coffee/social time
9:30 a.m.
Sunday school start

The Worship Committee invites you to consider participating on a Liturgical Arts Team to help provide purposeful and meaningful visual arts and dramas in our church. For more information contact Alicia Reese at alicia.k.reese@gmail.com.

WINCHESTER HOUSE

Our next Winchester House service will be at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 2nd. Trevor James will be speaking and the LCC kids will be singing. Sometime soon, a Google Doc will be sent out requesting that people sign up to provide a homily, special music, scripture reading or simply supportive presence for each month of the coming year. Please prayerfully consider how you might be able to contribute to this ministry!

If you are available or have a suggestion, please contact Maggie Johnson maggiejohnson122@gmail.com.



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Financial Summary thru OCTOBER 2018

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET

Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 446,251
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 425,758
Cost Savings / (Overrun)	\$ 20,493

GIVING VS. BUDGET

Giving YTD	\$ 363,103
Budgeted Giving YTD	\$ 446,251
Giving Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ (83,148)

INCOME VS. EXPENSES

Income YTD	\$ 363,103
Expenses YTD	\$ 425,758
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ (62,655)



If you have concerns, questions, or advice for your Church Chair, Scott Dahlberg, feel free to call

*847-456-6086 or email.
scodah@gmail.com*

Or, perhaps you want to offer to serve on one of our teams.

Volunteers are always appreciated!

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Nominating Committee update

This year, our Nominating Committee is looking for people called to lead us in the following positions:

Church Chair – leads the Leadership Team, Council, and Congregational meetings

Treasurer – Mark Cederberg will continue as our Treasurer

Leadership Team member (1 year term) – sits on the Leadership Team to lead the church

Leadership Team member (2 year term) – sits on the Leadership Team to lead the church

Christian Education and Discipleship Team – Heather Larson will continue to lead this Team

Worship Ministry Team Leader – Leads the team organizing our worship and special services

Finance and Properties – Dave Hinz will continue to lead this Team



We are also looking for someone to oversee our Fellowship opportunities. While not an elected position, we still have a person overseeing this aspect of our corporate ministry.

If you are interested in serving in any of these positions please talk with Cap Johnson, Scott Dahlberg, Pastor Paul, or Pastor Steve.

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 27th

Please plan on attending our annual meeting after church on Sunday the 27th of January. We will have lunch downstairs and then meet in the sanctuary to celebrate the highlight of our ministry year, to discuss and approve our 2019 budget, and to elect the leadership team.



ADOPT-A-FAMILY CHRISTMAS

This Christmas we are providing gifts for 40 children, as part of the Love INC / Catholic Charities "Adopt-a-Family" program. Thank you to all who have chosen gift tags and purchased gifts. **Please return the gifts, wrapped, to the church by December 5th.** If a gift request is expensive, please feel free to substitute another item.

News from Love INC of Lake County



Love INC
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of Lake County

Support Love INC of Lake County
Friday December 7, 10:30am - 10:00pm

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PADS SEASON HAS BEGUN:



On Saturday, December 1st, young families will be setting up beds at the Methodist Church PADS site. If you have questions regarding that service project, please contact Jenna Glader at 847-372-3518 or jennaglader@yahoo.com

On February 2, 2019, our Junior High group will be setting up beds and serving the dinner. The Senior High group will do the same on March 2, 2019

More information will be coming in the future about food contributions and other needs. Thank you, LCC, for your willingness to help in this way over the last several years! If you have questions, contact Maggie Johnson.

LCC LEADERSHIP

*Please pray for the church **LEADERSHIP TEAM, COUNCIL & STAFF.***

Contact them if you have questions, ideas or would like to get involved in a particular ministry.

STAFF

Pastor: Steve Larson (815/508-4450)

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Paul Couleur (847/331-3640)

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Bruce Thorson (847/421-2732)

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Tricia Leach (847/920-8005)

Office Coordinator:

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Dan Doherty (847/223-4971)

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LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Pastors

Church Council Chair:

Scott Dahlberg (847-528-7670)

Church Council Vice Chair:

Niki Papak (847-951-8275)

Church Council Secretary:

Colleen Sparks (847/837-8114)

Treasurer:

Mark Cederberg (847/599-9444)

At large Members—TBD

OTHER COUNCIL POSITIONS

Financial Secretary:

John Bethancourt (847/837-1690)

Education & Discipleship Team:

Heather Larson (815/901-3294)

Deacon Team:

Claudia Nauman (847/680-8635)

Evangelism & Service Team:

Trevor James (847/986-6677)

Worship Ministry Team:

Alicia Reese (734/637-5979)

Finance & Properties Team:

Dave Hinz (262/745-7020)



If you are interested in getting involved or would like to learn more, please contact Rebecca.Little@Jillshouse.org. Jill's House is truly a unique and special ministry, we would love to have you be a part of it!

Our LCC team leader for Jill's House is Caren Vollrath caren-vollrath@gmail.com and our Buddy Coordinator is Dave (Kansas) Anderson danderson@proactiongroup.com. We will be hosting the families at LCC for drop off on Friday, and pick up on Sunday as well as using our van to transport them to Harbor. Website: jillshouse.org

REFLECTIONS OF THE NOVEMBER WEEKEND:

I had the very fun job of driving our Jill's House campers back from Covenant Harbor. Campers & buddies were tired, but still enjoying their time together. Some of the activities they enjoyed were the BIG SWING, archery, crafts, and movie time - Frozen. One experience they had that I thought was the best was the photographer who came with a green screen! Each camper dressed up as a super hero and a background was added to coordinate with them. Photos were framed and wrapped as a wonderful memento of the weekend. The Jill's House staff and buddies are fun loving, patient and know how to roll with whatever happens. It was a pleasure seeing them in action! Thanks to Chris Becker for driving the group up. Caren Vollrath

I second your description of the Jill's house staff. What a great Group of people. Chris Becker

Thanks, Caren! You are so good to share this word with us. It encourages us to keep on! Blessings on you. Thanks for your leadership along with Dave. Janis Carlson

I have been so blessed by being a buddy to these great kids! Such a wonderful experience! I also want to give thanks to Becca and her JH staff. They work so hard and do so much. They all have such a special heart for these kids and their families. It is a blessing to be partnering with you all! Looking forward to more camps!! Jill Heath

THANK YOU! I am so grateful for each and every one of you who helped out this weekend with Jill's House Windy City. As Caren mentioned, we had an awesome weekend. The kids had a blast trying out new activities and making new friends. The weather was chilly but the kids enjoyed making snowmen and having snowball fights! I was able to chat with some of the parents on Friday evening and many of them were thrilled to be going out on a date night. One of the parents sent me an e-mail earlier today and I just want to share a piece of her feedback with you-

“Jill's House weekends are something we very much looked forward to. The feeling of living a normal life is something we long for so much. These weekends give us that.”

Whether you prepared the food, greeted parents at the door, drove the van, came out to camp, or helped with various other things- please know that you are a big part of making this ministry possible and you are making a huge impact in the lives of JH families. Thank you for being a blessing! I am overwhelmed by what God has done with this program in 2018 and it's hard to believe that our first year is already coming to a close. I am looking forward to another great year of JH camps in 2019 and seeing how the program continues to grow. Rebecca Little

THE NAZARETH EVENING NEWS

ADAPTED FROM THE PLAY BY KARIN ALFERINK

Come join us as we experience the Christmas story through the eyes of the Nazareth Evening News – complete with an interview with a real camel!

All ages are welcome.
Childcare for preschool and under provided.

DECEMBER 15, 2018
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for the community



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CHURCH

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Bible Studies

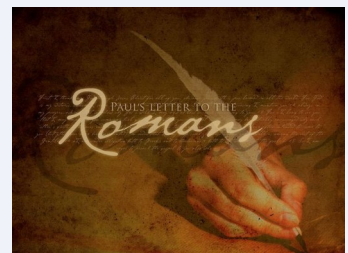
Women's Bible Study—Thursday mornings

Join us at 9:15 a.m. as we begin the fall. We are currently using the Life Guide Bible Study of **Joseph—How God Builds Character**. If you have questions, contact Pastor Bruce. bruce@libcov.org.

Men's Bible Study – Friday mornings

Join us at 7 a.m. for a Bible Study as they "walk through the New Testament", along with donuts and coffee. For information contact Chris at chris@beckercrew.com

Adult Study—Wednesday Nights



Every Wednesday night this fall, we will be exploring together the book of Romans. With such famous passages and themes as "Offer your bodies as living sacrifices," and submission to authorities, Romans is theology for everyday life. Join us as we explore this amazing book together from 6:30-7:30pm. We are looking to grow, so if you've never joined us for a Wed. night before, consider this your invitation to come grow with us! Pastor Steve leads this group.

BAKE to bring LIGHT to Colombia

It's that time of year to bake! For the Christmas play on December 15th, bring a plate of homemade or store-bought goodies to share after each production. We will be asking those in attendance to donate toward the purchase of LUCI LIGHTS.



LIBERTYVILLE COVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

Sr. High Youth Group
Sunday 5-7 p.m.
December 2

SH Christmas Party
5-8 p.m.

Sunday, December 9th
Bring a white elephant gift & come dressed to impress with the theme of Winter Wonderland. Location TBD

Jr. High Youth Group
Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m.
December 5, 12
(Christmas Scavenger Hunt)
& the 19th Wednesday
Middle School & Kids
Club Party

Middle School Christmas Party 11:30-3 p.m.
Saturday, December 8th
We leave immediately after play practice so be at church by 11:45 a.m. if you aren't already here. Bring a silly white elephant gift for the exchange. Parents can pick their kids up at Beckstrom's, 2861 Whispering Oaks Drive, Buffalo Grove at 3:00 p.m.



Paul Couleur, Associate
Pastor to Youth
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Senior High ONE LIFE RETREAT at Covenant Point **February 15-18, 2019**

2019 Theme: (RE)NEW: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." – Romans 12:1-2

\$150/student + Ski pass/rental, tshirt, fast food stops

Registration forms are available from Pastor Paul and have been emailed to you or your parents as well. **Get your forms in by December 16th.**



SENIOR HIGH BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE TRIP

w/ ADVENTUROUS CHRISTIANS

July 29-August 3, 2019

Registration and \$100 Deposits need to be submitted to Pastor Paul SOON so it is time to COMMIT TO GO!

Registration is now open for **Middle School Winter camp!** Go to Covenantharbor.org and click the blue registration button to register. Make sure to register for the Libertyville Covenant Church, February 8-10, 2019. Spots are filling up fast, so be sure to register soon!

Cost is \$159 per camper, with scholarships and rebates available and details will be sent (via snail mail & email) to each family along with payment forms (checks should be made payable to LCC and returned to the church office). More details can be found on Covenant Harbor's website. Talk to Pastor Paul if you have any questions. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: December 16th**

Children's Ministries

It has been amazing to see how our kids have GROWn in the last few months. Sunday mornings they are learning about some of the kings of Israel, as well as the stories of different Biblical heroes. Wednesday nights they have been hearing about Jesus & the beginning of His ministry.

In October we & Redeemer Life celebrated the saints who have impacted our lives & have gone before us. And we discussed the call we have as believers to SHINE Jesus' LIGHT to the world. It was a wonderful night full of food, photos shoots, a devotional, scavenger hunt, & a craft. Our next a big event for ALL ages is Saturday, Dec. 1st. Please JOIN us as we start the advent season continuing to share the TRUE LIGHT with each other, our community, & the world!

One of our outreach ministries this year is to raise money to buy Luci Lights for those women & children in Colombia that are in need of LIGHT. Luci Lights are solar powered lights that are waterproof, lightweight, & compactible. See www.mpowerd.com for more information. You can JOIN our efforts to purchase these lights for Colombia during the All Church Family Advent Night. And then again after each Christmas play show when we will be having a donation basket alongside our home baked goods that will be offered to all who attend.

For Children's Church this month our kids will be learning about the different people/groups that were a part of the nativity scene. The children will complete their nativity scene on the 23rd and bring it home that day. From that day until Jan. 5th there will be no Kids Club, Sunday School, & Children's Church (please use the Worship Bags, Children's Bulletins, & other resources for the church service). Starting Sunday, Jan 6th we will resume with all of these regular ministries along with our Bible Memory Verse Challenge for ALL ages.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, December 1st - Family Advent Night 5 p.m. PADS ministry, 6 - 7:45 p.m. dinner & activities

Saturday, December 15th - "The Nazareth Evening News" at 3 & 6 p.m.; goodies & Luci Light donation afterwards

***Sunday, December 16th** - Sunday School Xmas Party 9:15-10:15 a.m.

***Wednesday, December 19th** - Kids Club Xmas Party 6:15-7:45 p.m.

Monday, December 24th - 4 & 10 p.m. Christmas Eve services

Sunday, January 6th - Sunday School & Children's Church Resumes; start of Memory Verse Challenge

Wednesday, January 9th - Kids Club Resumes

Sunday, January 20th - Winter Camp registrations due

*There will be no Kids Club, Sunday School or Children's Church during Christmas Break.

2019 WINTER CAMP

February 22-24
3rd-5th Grade at
Covenant Harbor



REGISTRATION IS OPEN
at
Covenantharbor.org

Camp 2019

This year winter camp will be February 22-24th with the theme EXPEDITION based on Matthew 28:19-20. All registrations for 3rd-6th graders are due by January 13th.

Please contact the church office for more registration & other information.

Check out the December Chil- dren's Ministry Newsletter

Our Children's Ministry Newsletter is packed with important information. [Click Here](#) to view it!

**If you would like to
volunteer in any of our
Children's Ministries**
please contact our
Christian Formation
Chair, Heather Larson
815-901-3294 or
halelu@comcast.net

December Birthdays

- 1 Sophia Wojcik
- 2 Maggie Johnson
- 6 Anja Beckstrom
Evelyn Boulton
David Collins
- 8 Griffin Johnson
- 12 Joshua Larson
- 15 Mark Cederberg
Carl Zienty
- 16 Alec Tranel
- 18 Kajsa Hawkinson
Chris Johnson
- 19 Julie Wojcik
- 20 Carson Hawkinson
Earleen Johnson
- 22 Lee Vollrath
- 24 Amy Keller
- 27 Leija Dalton
- 28 Carol Dieball
Vern Johnson
- 30 Ken Werner
- 31 Gracie Greenfield
Jim Pas

December Anniversaries

- 3 David & Karen Hinz (1995)
- 8 Youngki & Debbie Kim (2001)
- 11 Nathan & Melissa Schau (2004)
- 22 Courtney and Alicia Reese (2007)
- 28 Karl & Sue Peterson (1985)
- 31 Ben & Sarah Palmberg (2000)



CHRISTMAS

Save the
date

Fireside Friends

SWEDISH LUNCH

Friday, December 7
noon

The LCC Fellowship Committee invites you to join us at Libertyville Covenant Church (Narthex), where a Swedish Luncheon is being prepared for all to enjoy. All are welcome.

For reservations or more information call Kris Nikkel 847-543-8861 (kjnikkel@aol.com) or Marti at the church office 847-362-3308 or email marti@libcov.org



We hope you are planning to participate in the Christmas Progressive Dinner on Saturday, December 8th.

We will begin the evening with appetizers at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Dave and Darilyn Anderson, 235 W. Cook, Libertyville. THEN go in groups of 8-10 people to individual homes for dinner and dessert. Please contact the church office to confirm your host home if you have not heard where you will be going or what to bring by Wednesday, December 5th.

(marti@libcov.org) or 847-362-3308



PING PONG: Men of the church (and friends) are invited to play ping pong on Thursdays, December 6 & 20. 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 jgjd@netzero.net

Save the Date:

February 16, 2019

9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

"An Unhurried Time"

with Rev. Bob Tenglin guiding us

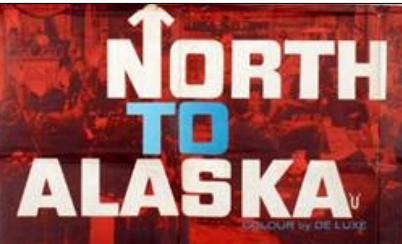
Community Christian Food Pantry – a group goes to help distribute food every Tuesday morning. If you would like to help, contact Ann Frost at 847-945-9435 or anncfrost@aol.com.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED IN AUGUST!

COVENANT HOME ALTAR: The new issue of our denomination's devotional book, The Covenant Home Altar, will soon be available at the Information Desk. Please help yourself to a copy for use as your daily devotional. for January, February & March.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

- * There is a daily blog post on our website with reflections on the day's bible reading.
- * As part of LCC, you have access to free Spiritual Direction. See Pastor Steve for more information.
- * We have regular 3-person Discipleship Encounters groups meeting which you can be a part of. See Pastor Steve for details.



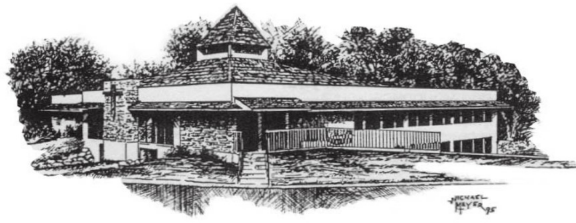
We had such a great time hosting Byron Bruckner recently from the Covenant Youth of Alaska. Hopefully, you were able to be here for the great salmon lunch and enthusiastic sharing of the needs and opportunities in Alaska.

Because of the interest from our congregation that has already been expressed, the Evangelism and Service Team led by Trevor James is now exploring the opportunities for a team from LCC to head North to Alaska this summer for a mission experience with Byron.

We will need to firm up pretty quickly what a group from LCC would look like so if you are at all interested in going on such a mission trip, please talk with Trevor (tjames@npu.edu) or Pastor Paul (paul@libcov.org) as soon as possible.

This is an intergenerational trip for those in Jr. High and above.

Continue to pray for the ongoing ministry to the people of Alaska and that it will be clear how we can participate.



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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...

Community: everyone is welcome to join us on the journey

Authenticity: being real people with real issues before our real God.

Relationships: with God, each other, and the world around us

Engagement: all are gifted, all are called, all have a place in the ministry



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.

Smile.amazon.com donates to LCC!



If you shop through Amazon.com, especially this Christmas season, use Smile.Amazon.com instead and designate LCC as the charity on the opening screen. Then, at no extra cost to you, a small percentage of all you spend will be donated back to LCC to support our youth!

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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!

DECEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8 a.m. Furniture Ministry PADS & Advent Night Young family
2 ADVENT 1 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in the Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 12:30-2:30 p.m. Play Practice 2:30 p.m. Winchester (Trevor James preaching)	3	4 9 a.m. Food Pantry	5 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. Jr. High 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's 6:45 p.m. Choir	6 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Worship Team 7 p.m. Ping	7 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study Noon– FDF	8 9-11:45 a.m. Play Practice 11:30—3 JH Christmas Party 6 p.m. Progressive Dinner
9 ADVENT 2 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in the Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 12—2 p.m. Council 12:30-2:30 p.m. Play Practice 5-8 p.m. SH Youth Party	10	11 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. LT	12 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:15 p.m. Jr. High – Scavenger Hunt 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's	13 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Worship Team	14 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	15 3 & 6 p.m. "Nazareth Evening News"
16 ADVENT 3 Christmas Coffee 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in the Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship	17	18 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Deacons	19 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club Party 6:15 p.m. Jr. High 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's	20 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Worship Team 7 p.m. Ping	21 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	22 Baby Due
23 ADVENT 4 10:15 a.m. Prayer in the Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship	24 4 p.m. & 10 p.m. Christmas eve Services	25 CHRIS TMAS	26	27	28	29
30 10:15 a.m. Prayer in the Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH	31	Pastor Paul gone December 17-31 Pastor Steve gone December 25—January 6				

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

GREETERS DECEMBER 2 Craig & Colleen Sparks 9 Craig & Jackie Splinter 16 Bruce & Merileen Thorson 23 Lee & Caren Vollrath 30 Ken & Arlene Werner JANUARY 7 Duane & Bonita Westerberg 14 Tim & Christie Albers 21 Bill & Chris Anderson 28 Bill & Marti Anderson	FELLOWSHIP HOUR DECEMBER 2 Bill & Jenna Glader 9 Steve & Ellen Hall 16 Church Staff 23 John & Bev Hawkins 30 Bob & Lori Hartnett JANUARY 7 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson 14 Vicki Herrick 21 Dieter & Karin Hildebrandt 28 Dave & Karen Hinz	LAY READER DECEMBER 2 Angela Kocinski 9 Valerie Makkai 16 Kerry Monson 23 Laura Nordgren 30 Michelle Pas JANUARY 7 Caren Vollrath 14 Marleigh & Melissa Schau 21 Laura Nordgren 28 Valerie Makkai
INFANT NURSERY W/ preschool nursery	PRESCHOOL NURSERY DECEMBER 2 Caren Vollrath & Kat Tranel 9 Karin Hildebrandt & Kirsten Peterson 16 Lori Hartnett & Jenna Glader 23 Bill & Chris Anderson 30 Tricia & Steve Leach JANUARY 7 Nate & Melissa Schau 14 Ann Frost & Ellen Hall 21 Karin Hildebrandt & Kirsten Peterson 28 Caren Vollrath & Bev Hawkins	SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY DECEMBER 2 Rachel Couleur & Judie Duba 9 Tricia Leach & Joan Groody 16 Tricia Leach & Teresa Anderson 23 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 30 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL JANUARY 7 Jim & Michelle Pas 14 Tricia & Steve Leach 21 Tricia Leach & Joan Groody 28 Tricia Leach & Teresa Anderson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH DECEMBER 2 Carolyn/Chris Dallas & Jim Gillette 9 Angela Kocinski & Paul & Claudia 16 Niki Papak/Caren Vollrath & Lily D. 23 NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH 30 NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH JANUARY 7 Angela Kocinski & Naumans 14 Bob & Tricia Sorensen 21 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson 28 Niki Papak & Caren Vollrath	USHERS DECEMBER: Jim Krueger, Bill Anderson, David Enquist, Bob Hartnett, Bob Peterson JANUARY: Scott Anderson, John Hjelm, Roger Clausen, Jill Heath, Paul Lindley FEBRUARY: Lee Vollrath, Carl Zienty, Ken Werner, Nate Schau	<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <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> </div>

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 Or, you may look at our Information Center. Please help yourself to a copy of the Covenant Home Altar which is published quarterly for your use. You will also find our Missionary Prayer Calendar which reminds us to pray for those serving around the world.