# In the Spirit

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

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The Deadline for the December In the Spirit is Monday, November 11, 2019 Please send items to marti@libcov.org

## Life Lines—John 4

by Pastor Paul Couleur

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ho's someone you can be real with? Do you know someone you don't have to so quarded around, put on a front, and or mask with? Is there someone in your life that you have been permitted to be your most authentic self with? Who's is this person? In a world that seemingly has everything, friendships that permit full transparency are so very rare. Hardly a week goes by without someone naming a need for a friend to be real with. What might happen if we are real and transparent? Being real can be scary. Some questions come to mind that if you are real about who you are, will anyone still love you? Is the

In John 4, we read a story of a woman at the well, alone,

real you lovable? What is

are we with God? Can I be

real before God, friends,

ship with me?

risked in being real? How real

broken, ugly, angry, sad, and

family, and peers? If I let them

see the "real me", will they still

continue to desire a relation-

and with a past that Jesus was well aware of. She had somethings in her life that were challenging, but Jesus wasn't scared off by the brokenness and challenges. Instead of walking around Samaria he walked purposefully to her, directly seeking to en-



counter her where she was at. Can you imagine for a moment Jesus looking at you and reaching out his hand and saying to you come and let's be together for a while? Jesus gave her a place where she could be totally real and totally loved, and it changed her life. Sometimes we may feel unlovable, lonely, isolated, feeling you have no worth, rejected by those around you, sensing a hole

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inside of you, and yet Jesus wants to be with you and draws near to you. Jesus seeks you out and comes with living water of hoping, speaking truth to the lies we often believe about ourselves. You are not a reject, not a mistake, you are a child of God!! You are not ugly, you are not the lies people have spoken over you, you are a child of God!! Jesus shows this woman just how loved she is and reminds her of who she is, and where this living water can be found.

In John 4 v. 42 the Samaritan woman shared of her encounter with Jesus and many more believed as they met Jesus. Can you imagine if all our friendships and encounters were like that? What would it like look like if we practiced this kind of intentional friendship with those around us. Where we invite friends to be as real as they need to be and assured that they are totally loved and won't be abandoned? What would it look like if we showed up in people's lives and loved them so fully and pointed them simply to the living water that is Jesus?

In the summer of 2002. I served on the summer staff at Covenant Harbor as a life guard. That a summer a staff person pulled me aside and shared an observation of me. She said. "Paul. it seems you're a person that everyone will get a chance to meet, however a person that no one will ever have a chance to really know. Is this a fitting statement?" My response was to affirm she is correct. She followed up by inquiring why this is the case. In response, I asked her "do you really want to know why?" She nodded, I told her, "because people, especially Christians don't want to know the

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### WORSHIP...

As we continue in our Year of Discipleship and enter the Thanksgiving season, we look at the many gifts God gives us. As Jesus gave thanks to



his Father, so we as His Disciples also give thanks to God in everything. We thank Him for our Cloud of Witnesses, for His many blessings, for the hope He gives us, and for our opportunities to help this world reflect His Kingdom a little more every day. We will close out our month and prepare for Advent by hearing from Dave Husby, Director of Covenant World Relief. Join us every Sunday at 10:30am in the sanctuary.

Sunday, November 3
All Saints Day (Daylight Savings)
Gratitude "Who's in your Cloud?
Hebrews 12:1-3
2 Timothy 2:1-7

Sunday, November 10 Bless the Lord, O My Soul Psalm 103:1-22 Sunday, November 17
Hope for the Hopeless
Psalm 25:1-7
Revelation 21:1-7

**Sunday, November 24**Rev. Dave Husby from Covenant World Relief Preaching

## Thanksgiving Eve Service and Potluck Dessert Buffet



Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for our Thanksgiving Eve Service and Dessert Social. We'll spend the evening together in song, prayer, scripture, and reflections on our gratitude for all God has given and done for us. We will also be collecting our Covenant World Relief offerings that evening, so start collecting now and bring them to the service. After the service, we'll share some thanksgiving desserts in the fellowship hall, so please bring a dessert to share.

#### FIRESIDE DINNER FELLOWSHIP

The FDF planning team coordinated several events for our group this fall. Please mark your calendars and see one of the team (Bruce & Merileen Thorson, Janis Carlson, Marcia Junas) if you have any questions or suggestions.



### FRIDAY, December 6th, noon Christmas Smorgasbord

All are welcome to join us for a Christmas Lunch around the fireplace as we begin the season together. More details will come as the day gets closer.



#### 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. Names with gift suggestions will be hanging in the Narthex soon. You may take one or more tags. Be sure to

sign for the ones you take. Please return the gifts, wrapped, to the church by December 5th. If a gift request is expensive, please feel free to substitute another item. If you have questions, contact Joan Groody or Marti in the church office.

PING PONG:

Men of the church (and friends) are



invited to play ping pong on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursdays 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 nonthreatening means of inviting friends to church activities. If you have questions, contact Jeff Johnson at igidc@netzero.net

### Community Christian Food Pantry

a group goes to help distribute food every Tuesday morning. If you would like to help, contact Ann Frost at 847-209-4834 or anncfrrost@aol.com.

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real me, and if they did know the real me they would run for the hills. Christians from what I have experienced can't handle hearing the challenges and difficulties that are a part of my life." She responded in saying, "I am sorry you have had so much hurt and abandonment by people you thought were going to be real friends, navigating the highs and lows of life with. Would you give me a chance to be a real friend? That we celebrate that which is great in your life and sit with you amid the challenges of the day, all the while pointing out Gods presence along the way." This I believe, was the first time where I had someone name a desire to be my friend in such a way that was modeled by Jesus and I am forever changed by it. In our relationship, I let my guard down and allowing someone to know the real me. It was in our relationship she poured living water into deep wounds and a parched soul. During these times I was pointed to Jesus, and experienced the love of God in and through her witness. Her friendship, her witness, I will say was an enormous gift given by God where I tasted the living waters Jesus spoke of and experienced Gods love.

Let us be imitators of Jesus (like Paul writes in Ephesians 5) by making our friendships places where we can be totally real and totally loved. Because Godly relationships should let you be real. In the coming days let us come before Jesus with our most real and true self laid out before him and allowing him to offer himself in full to us. After the encounter this woman at the well had with Jesus, she couldn't help but point people back to him. My life is forever changed by a woman that took a risk by inviting a friendship modeled by the life of Jesus and I am forever thankful and forever changed. May God bless you and the many folks that you embrace in the name of Jesus point them back to Him.

## Financial Summary thru SEPTEMBER 2019

#### EXPENSES VS. BUDGET

EXPENSES VS. BUDGET		
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$ 397,545	
Actual Expenses YTD	\$ 392,800	
Cost Savings / (Overrun)	\$ (4,745)	
GIVING VS. BUDGET		
Giving YTD	\$ 331,535	
Budgeted Giving YTD	\$ 397,543	
Giving Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ (66,008)	
INCOME VS. EXPENSES		
Income YTD	\$ 331,535	
Expenses YTD	\$ 392,800	
Operating Surplus /		
(Deficit)	\$ (61,265)	

The Leadership Team appreciates and encourages continued generosity in giving as we head into the final quarter of the year.

A more detailed report will be coming soon. Thank you.

#### LINK to online giving



If you have any questions or concerns regarding the life and ministry of our church, please contact our chair, Paul Hawkinson, 312-307-8774 or

paulhawk@comcast.net

We are grateful that Dave (Kansas)

Anderson has agreed to take the reins as our Treasurer/
Bookkeeper.
Thank you!



### Bible Studies

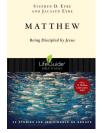


#### Men's Study - Friday Mornings

Join us at 7 a.m. for a Bible Study as we "walk through the New Testament", along with donuts and coffee. All are welcome as we begin the season with "Luke." For

information contact <a href="mailto:chris@beckercrew.com">chris@beckercrew.com</a>

Women's Study—Thursday Mornings Will resume meeting at 9:15 a.m. on Thursday mornings on September 12th. This fall we will be using the Lifeway Bible Study "Matthew, Being Discipled by Jesus" For information contact Pastor Bruce. bruce@libcov.org.



Adult Study—Wednesday Nights meet at 6:45 p.m. Pastor Steve leads as this fall we are studying the book of Daniel. For information contact Pastor Steve. steve@libcov.org

If you are willing to help plan and prepare a Wednesday Night Dinner sometime this fall, please sign up on the link below:

LCC WEDNESDAY NIGHT COOKING SCHEDULE

#### **COVENANT WORLD RELIEF**

This month we hope you will consider the needs of the world and how we each can support people in need through Covenant World Relief. We will be receiving our offering at the Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday

November 25th. Please use the soup can bank, or the offering envelopes and plan now to give generously to Covenant World Relief. Checks may be made pay-

able to LCC with the note Covenant World Relief. More information can be found on their web-

site: CovChurch.org/cwr



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The Worship Ministry Team has prepared a Calendar of Thanks to use during the month of November.

Copies are at the information desk in the narthex.

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Please continue to pray for our students during their college years. They may even appreciate a note or care package.

#### LCC LEADERSHIP

Please pray for the church LEADER-SHIP 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) **Associate Pastor to Youth:** 

Paul Couleur (847/331-3640)

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

Bruce Thorson (847/421-2732)

#### **Interim Children's Ministry Director:**

Heather Larson (815/901-3294)

#### **Interim Nursery Coordinator:**

Rachel McLinden (847/977-5798)

#### **Office Coordinator:**

Marti Anderson (847/362-3308)

#### **Custodian:**

Dan Doherty (847/223-4971)

#### **LEADERSHIP TEAM:**

**Pastors** 

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

Paul Hawkinson (847/816-3721)

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

Niki Papak (847/951-8275)

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

Colleen Sparks (847/837-8114)

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Dave L. Anderson (847/362-2569)

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Jill Heath (847/989-7089) Kirk Johnson (847/573-8010)

#### OTHER COUNCIL POSITIONS

#### **Financial Secretary:**

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#### **Finance & Properties Team:**

Dave Hinz (262/745-7020)

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES!

Are you exercising the gifts God has given you? If you know what your gifts are, look for opportunities to serve.

In the case of our ministry at **WINCHESTER HOUSE**, there are opportunities for people who can warmly greet seniors, or help lead singing, or deliver a homily, or perform special music – either instrumental or vocal.

We facilitate a service at Winchester House Nursing Home on the first Sunday of each month. On November 3rd Pastor Steve will be speaking. We are still looking for special music.

At our scheduled times with PADS (Providing Advocacy, Dignity & Shelter) there are chances for physical work in setting up beds, or preparing and providing food items for dinner or lunch, or serving meals, or spending time with our guests.

Our first date this season is November 23rd . Our Senior High students will be setting up the beds and serving dinner. The choir is donating lunch provisions. A Google Doc will be sent out in early November with opportunities to donate food items. Kitchen help for that night will be needed! The 11:00 pm to 3:00 a.m. shift will be staffed by Jay Gustafson and Vern Johnson.

If you feel you have the "gift" to serve in either of these areas, please contact Maggie Johnson at 847-772-8564 or maggiejohnson122@gmail.com

## FALL WORK DAY Many help



Many helpers resulted in SIGN REFRESHED ... BRUSH BURNED ... BUSHES TRIMMED ... TREES REMOVED ... WEEDS WHACKED ... PEWS POLISHED ... CLOSETS CLEANED ... LED LIGHTS INSTALLED

... AND MUCH MORE!
Thank you for your patience with the parking lot lights—plans are in place to replace them with the energy efficient LED lights as well.





Thanks to all who came to help with the Fall Work Day in October. Some guys even came back for more!

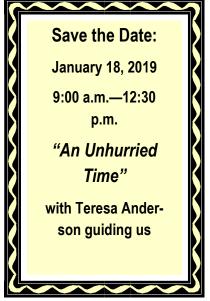


Mark Your Calendar for our remaining Jill's House Campout weekend:

#### December 6-8

We have had THREE wonderful Jill's House campouts this year and have one more planned. We are short on Buddy Volunteers, so please consider spending a weekend with these great kids. While the primary purpose is to provide respite for their parents, it is just as rewarding to see the joy we bring to the children. Please contact Kansas Dave if you are able to be a Buddy either of these weekends. danderson@proactiongroup.com or 847-910-1696.







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## LIBERTYVILLE (OVENANT YOUTH MINISTRY

#### **Senior High Youth Group**

Sundays 5-7 p.m. November 10, 17, 24

#### **Middle School Youth** Group

Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. November 6, 13, 20

SENIOR HIGH SERVICE NIGHT Saturday, November 23, 2019

Save the date to Set up and Serve at our PADS site.



Meet at the Methodist Church in Libertyville at 5:15 p.m.

#### **SAVE THE DATES** FOR WINTER RETREATS Registrations will

be coming soon.

Middle School @ **Covenant Harbor** January 10-12, 2020

Senior High One Life @ Covenant Point February 14-17,

2020



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

#### Sr. High Fall Retreat — November 1-3 Lauderdale Lake—Elkhorn, WI

Lauderdale <u>Lakes</u> Our weekend will be spent at a lake house, filled with outdoor adventure, meaningful discussions, big games, and chances to be authentic in community. Registration forms are available and the planning team would appreciate you getting them in as soon as possible. We will need a Covenant Harbor waiver and an LCC data sheet for each person going. Friends are welcome. \$80/person We will leave around 5:30 p.m. on Friday.



#### Middle School Better Together Partnering in ministry Wednesday, November 6th 5:45 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, November 6th our middle school ministry will be partnering with Winnetka Covenant Churches middle school ministry for a feed my starving children packing event. Please RSVP to let me know if your students is wanting to attend as we will need to make sure they have a space saved for them to attend. Spots fill up guickly and so I ask that you let me know of their desire to attend no later than Oct 30th. We ask that students eat before they come as the packing event will be from 5:45-7:30 that evening. All students are to be dropped off at FMSC at 5:45p.m. so we can get checked in and ready to pack promptly when it kicks off at 6:00.



## Children's Ministries

Leadership Training - On the evening of September 30th some of our children's ministry leaders and church leadership participated in a seminar about Children's Ministry that was lead by Steve Burger who leads the Adult, Children, Family, and Inter generational Ministries for our denomination. Those that attended learned about the essentials of children's ministry while also reflecting upon our current strengths, weaknesses, and needs. More information about this evening will be shared in upcoming newsletters.

Outreach - Luci Lights Last school year we raised enough money to buy 24 outdoor Luci Lights for the women & children in Colombia that need the light to get to work, school & home safely. By December our lights will be sent to a location in California where Mary Lou Sander, one of the missionaries in Colombia that we support, will pick them up & bring them to Colombia when she returns there in January.





Upcoming Events - Family
Advent Night is on Saturday,
December 7th. Details TBD but,
plan on meeting around 5:15
p.m. at the PADS site at the
Methodist Church. The young
families will set up the PADS
and then come back to church
for dinner and Advent activity.

**Prayer Requests** - Please continue to pray for our kids that they will come to know, love, and serve Jesus. Pray for our Children's Ministry leaders that they will have the wisdom, strength, and knowledge to continue to lead and encourage our children to be disciples of Christ. And pray for our church leadership as they discern what the next steps are for our Children's Ministry.

To God's Glory, Heather Larson Interim LCC Children's Ministry Director SAVE THE DATE
FOR THE WINTER
RETREAT

Registration coming
soon

3rd—5th Grade
@ Covenant Harbor
February 21-23, 2020

LINK TO CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER

#### **Interim Nursery Coordinator:**

Rachel McLinden 847-977-5798 or <u>Ra-</u> <u>chel.mclinden@gmail.com</u>

Interim Children's Ministries Coordinator: Heather Larson 815-901-3294 or <u>lar-</u> son.heather09@gmail.com

> PLEASE COM-PLETE & SUBMIT THE 2019-2020 LCC DATA SHEETS FOR EACH OF YOUR CHILDREN

## November

## Birthdays

- 1 Paul Lundstedt
- 5 Caren Vollrath
- 6 Kate Reilly Jeff Johnson
- 7 Ellen Hall Andrew Werner
- 8 Kent Carlson
- 10 Neale Murray Dylan Schau
- 13 Twyla Becker
- 18 Marti Anderson Dave Enquist Mirielle Nauman
- 21 Christine Cederberg
- 25 Titus Couleur Philip Nauman
- 28 Janis Carlson
- 29 Beverly Schmidt



### November Anniversaries

- 8 Bill & Jenna Glader (2003)
- 14 Paul & Rachel Couleur (2009)
- **16** Wylie & Ardy Douglass (1975)
- **28** Roger & Julie Clausen (1981)

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!** 

#### 6th Annual LCC Turkey Bowl!



Do you like playing flag football? Join in the tradition at LCC and get some exercise after the stuffing and festivities of thanksgiving. This is a multigenerational experience so anyone is welcome. Invite your friends, cousins and family to play too. This will be a great time of fellowship and flag football. For more information, if you need a ride or to RSVP contact Trevor, tjames@northpark.edu.

Please let us know if you plan to attend!

Who: Anyone who likes to play flag football

**When:** 10:00 am—12 noon, Friday after Thanks-giving, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Where:** Central Park, <u>250 Library Ln, Grayslake</u> (less than 15 mins north of the church)

Hope to see you there! Donuts and ibuprofen will be available.

Mark your calendars now to participate in the Christmas Progressive Dinner



scheduled for Saturday, December 14th.

Details will be available soon. If you would like to host the entire group for appetizers or dessert, please contact

Ann Frost (annefrost@aol.com)847-209

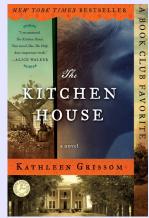
-4834 or the church office
(marti@libcov.org)



Thank you to Trevor, the EST and the Alaska Missions
Team for making our first LCC Fall Festival such a
success. It was great time to celebrate the season
with our community.

## Sensible Ladies Book Club

We are all set for the next good read!



The Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom

Orphaned while onboard ship from Ireland, seven-year-old Lavinia arrives on the steps of a tobacco plantation where she is to live and work with the slaves of the kitchen house. Under the care of Belle, the master's illegitimate daughter, Lavinia becomes deeply bonded to her adopted family, though she is set apart from them by her white skin. Eventually, Lavinia is accepted into the world of the big house, where the master is absent and the mistress battles opium addiction. Lavinia finds herself perilously straddling two very different worlds. When she is forced to make a choice, loyalties are brought into question, dangerous truths are laid bare, and lives are put at risk.

**Date:** November 8, 2019 at 7 pm

Home of Twyla Becker.



#### **Libertyville Covenant Church**

250 S. St. Mary's Road, Libertyville, Illinois 60048 (Corner of Route 176 and St. Mary's Road) Pastor: Steve Larson

Church phone: 847/362-3308 Fax: 847/362-3310

www.libcov.org

#### 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.

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Please be sure that we have your current information & family picture. All info may be sent to <a href="marti@libcov.org">marti@libcov.org</a> 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!



## NOVEMBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
November 11-24 Paul to Tampa—Youth Specialties November 23-24 Pastor Steve gone						2 8 a.m. Furniture Ministry
3 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 12 p.m. SS Teachers Meet 2:30 p.m. Winchester	4	5 9 a.m. Food Pantry 4:30- 8:30 p.m. Angel Gowns	6 5:30 p.m. Dinner 5:45 p.m. Jr. High @FMSC 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir	7 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Wor- ship Team 7 p.m. Ping Pong	8 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	9
10 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 12-4 p.m. Inquirer's Class 5 p.m. SH Youth	11 7 p.m. Council	12 9 a.m. Food Pantry	13 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir	14 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Wor- ship Team	15 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	16
17 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 3-6:30 p.m. Piano Recital— Smith 5 p.m. SH Youth	18	19 9 a.m. Food Pantry 7 p.m. Deacons	20 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Kids Club 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth 6:30 p.m. Adult Study 6:45 p.m. Mom's Group 6:45 p.m. Choir	21 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7 p.m. Wor- ship Team 7 p.m. Ping Pong	22 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study	23 5:15 p.m. PADS SH Setup & Serve
9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Prayer in Pew 10:30 a.m. Worship 5 p.m. SH Youth	25	26 9 a.m. Food Pantry	27 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service & Social	28	29	30

#### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

#### **GREETERS NOVEMBER**

- 3 Angela Kocinski & Pauline Raia
- 10 John & Carlene Lichter
- 17 Wes & Deb Lindahl
- 24 Gary & Cindy Traynor

#### **DECEMBER**

- 1 Paul & Karin Lundstedt
- 8 Valerie Makkai
- 15 Nancy McLinden & Mary Lutter
- 22 Paul & Claudia Nauman
- 29 John & Suzy Nelson

#### FELLOWSHIP HOUR **NOVEMBER**

- 3 Dave & Darilyn Anderson
- 10 Karin Anderson & Janis Carlson
- 17 Scott & Teresa Anderson
- 24 Chris & Twyla Becker

#### **DECEMBER**

- 1 Ben & Christy Beckstrom
- 8 John & Kristen Bethancourt
- 15 Tom & Nancy Borkman
- 22 Staff Coffee
- 29 Mark & Christine Cederberg

#### LAY READER **NOVEMBER**

- 3 Angela Kocinski
- **10** Valerie Makkai
- 17 Paul Hawkinson
- 24 Maggie Johnson

#### **DECEMBER**

- 1 Kirk Johnson
- 8 Marleigh & Melissa Schau
- 15 Trevor James
- **22** Darilyn Anderson
- 29 Vicki Herrick

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY **NOVEMBER**

- 3 Nancy & Rachel McLinden
- 10 Rachel M. & Rachel C.
- 17 Rachel M. & Michelle Pas
- 24 Lee Vollrath & Teresa Anderson

1 Rachel McLinden & Maggie Johnson

8 Rachel McLinden & Michelle Pas

15 Rachel McLinden & Rachel Couleur

### **NOVEMBER**

**INFANT NURSERY** 

- 3 Rachel M. & Melissa Schau
- 10 Ann Frost & Caren Vollrath
- 17 Rachel M. & Pauline Raia

24 Karin Hildebrandt & Kirsten Peterson

#### **DECEMBER**

- 1 Nancy & Rachel McLinden
- 8 Kat Tranel & Kirsten Peterson
- 15 Rachel McLinden & Joan Groody
- 22 Rachel McLinden & Pauline Raia
- 29 Ann Frost & Christy James

#### PRESCHOOL NURSERY **NOVEMBER**

- 3 Teresa Anderson & Lori Hartnett
- 10 Bill & Chis Anderson
- 17 Merileen Thorson & Sarah Palmberg
- 24 Judie Duba & Ellen Hall

#### **DECEMBER**

- 1 Christy & Trevor James
- 8 Jenna Glader &Bev Hawkins
- **15** Bill & Chris Anderson
- 22 Nate & Melissa Schau
- 29 Merileen Thorson & Sarah Palmberg

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH NOVEMBER

22 Caren & Lee Vollrath

29 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

- 3 Jim & Tina Gillette
- 10 Angela Kocinski & Claudia Nauman
- 17 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson
- 24 Niki Papak & Caren Vollrath

#### **USHERS**

**NOVEMBER:** Lee Vollrath. Carl Zienty, Ken Werner, Nate Schau

**DECEMBER:** Jim Krueger, Bill Anderson, Bob Hartnett,

JANUARY: Roger Clausen, Jill Heath, Paul Lindley, Bob Peterson

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

#### **DECEMBER**

**DECEMBER** 

- 1 Heather Larson & Karin Lundstedt
- 8 Jim & Tina Gillette
- 15 Angela Kocinski & Claudia Nauman
- 22 Paul & Kristin Hawkinson
- 29 Heather Larson & Caren Vollrath

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