

community NEWS

❖ **ATTENTION GOLFERS!** Servant of the Shepherd Church is hosting their 3rd Annual Best Ball Classic at The RF Golf Club on Friday, June 25, beginning at 8 a.m. with a shotgun scramble (4 person teams). All proceeds will go towards their outreach program. Entry fee is \$75.00 and includes 18 holes, golf cart, lunch after the event, outstanding door prizes, silent auction and closest to the pin and longest drive contests. For more information contact Pastor Joel at 651-334-0001. Not a golfer? You can help by sponsoring a hole for \$100 or by making a donation to their outreach program. More information can be found on the flyers posted on our bulletin board.

financial UPDATE

Electronic Giving: www.rfcov.org and click on the *Electronic Tithing* link under Resources.

Weekly Operational Need:	\$8,250.00
Last Sunday's Offering.:	\$ 5,578.03
Average of Last 4 Sundays:	\$6,954.19
Attendance on 6/13 was:	104 & 121 = 225

this WEEK

TODAY 6/20
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Father's Day
12:00 p.m. Worship Services
Jr. High Campers leave for LBBC

MONDAY 6/21
8:50 p.m. Church softball game @Hoffman Park

TUESDAY 6/22
12:15 & 5:30 p.m. Classroom Use: Weight Watchers
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice

WEDNESDAY 6/23
6:30 p.m. Sr. High Service Project

THURS., FRI., & SAT. 6/24, 6/25 & 6/26
7:00 p.m. Evangelical Covenant Church Annual Meeting
Worship Services @RiverCentre St. Paul

FRIDAY 6/25
4:00 p.m. Jr. High Campers return
5:30 p.m. Church Use: Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY 6/26
2:15 p.m. Church Use: Richter/Huppert wedding
3:30 p.m. "Catch up" w/ Pastor Keith Carpenter @
Watter's home

7:00 p.m. Barn dance for adults @Kimball's Farm

SUNDAY 6/27
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship Services

thank YOU!

GREETERS: (8:30) Jake & Andrea Schramm
(10:00) Pat & Mandy Richter

PRAISE TEAM: Leah Gunderson, Kathy Larson,
Kim Majerus, Jerry & Pat Nelson, Mark Wespetal, Tyler
Splittgerber

SCRIPTURE READERS: (8:30) Gregg Quam
(10:00) Terri Pearson

SOUND: Wade Gunderson

VIDEO: (8:30) Gabe Nelson (10:00) Ben Gabriel

NURSERY: (8:30) Dan & Kristy Treichel
(10:00) Roger & Michele Beers

JR. CHURCH: (8:30) Jason & Tina Hull
(10:00) Candace Plummer

USHERS: (8:30) Keith Hansen, Dick Kruger
(10:00) Jay Lucht, Don Stoffa

PRAYER PARTNERS: (8:30) Gary Sumner
(10:00) Bob & Deb Gilbertson

COFFEE TIME: (9:30) Lanette Harsdorf,
PRODUCE PICK UP: Mark Wespetal

FIRST COVENANT CHURCH

"On the Journey: Sharing Christ, Growing Together"

June 20, 2010

8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Opening Song

Again I Say Rejoice

Welcome/Announcements

Songs of Praise and Worship

*Hope of the Nations
Yesterday, Today and Forever*

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Offertory

Children's Time (10:00)

Cheryl Klanderman

(All children are welcome up front to hear a story just for them!)

(Ages 4-6 are dismissed for Children's Church at both services)

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Message

A Matter of Perspective

Pastor Todd

Closing Song

Father, Let Me Dedicate

Benediction

(Prayer Partners for your prayer needs are up front after the services.)

JOY
UNSHAKEABLE!
A LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS

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Welcome to our morning worship celebration!

for your INFO

- ❖ **FOR CHILDREN** (Ask an usher if you need assistance.)
 - * First Service: infant/toddler nursery (ages 6 mo.–4 yrs.)
 - * Second Service: infant nursery (ages 6 mo.–2 yrs) & toddler nursery (ages 2-4)
 - * A mother's room is open during both services for your use.
 - * *Children's Activity Bulletins* (ages 4-12) and *Jr. Sermon Notes* (ages 8-11) are available on the wall by the nursery
- ❖ **TO OUR GUESTS** Please do not feel obligated to give to our offering, which is the privilege and responsibility of our church family.
- ❖ **REGISTRATION – WELCOME PADS** The black registration pads are an important tool to help us care for our church family, contact visitors, and sign up for Wed. night suppers (during the school year). Please write in your complete address and phone number each week and pass it down the row. Cards for prayer requests, comments, and to request additional information are inside.
- ❖ **RECEIPTS FOR CASH GIFTS** You can get a receipt of tax purposes at the end of the year for your cash donations to the ministry of First Covenant Church by using the gray envelopes at the Guest Center. Ask an usher for assistance.
- ❖ **PRINTOUTS WITH WORDS** to the music are available at the Guest Center or from an usher.
- ❖ **PLEASE REMEMBER** to turn off your cell phones during our worship service!

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH 125th ANNUAL MEETING

Fellow Covenanters from all over the country will converge on the RiverCentre in St. Paul, MN, June 24-27, to celebrate this milestone.

JOIN US AT THE WORSHIP SERVICES!

- 7 pm Thursday** – Rev. Gary Walter (President of the Evangelical Covenant Church) preaching.
- 7 pm Friday** – Rev. Kris Causton (Associate Pastor, Excelsior Covenant church, Excelsior, MN) preaching.
- 7 pm Saturday** – Mossai Sanguma (President of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Congo) preaching. **Saturday Evening "Late Night"** with Bob Stromberg! Bob will be performing after the worship service on Saturday evening!

SATURDAY FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- 7-8:15 a.m.** North Park University breakfast for High School students and families! Reserve a space by calling 773-960-5412 during the annual meeting. (Ok to leave a message).
- 2 to 6 p.m.**, the ECC will host a Family Festival and Picnic on Raspberry Island in St. Paul. Fun for the whole family. See the flyer posted on the nursery window for complete information, or check your June *Covenant Clarion* newsletter!

www.covchurch.org/am.

upcoming TEACHINGS

- ❖ **NEXT SUNDAY**, June 27, Pastor Keith Carpenter, former Pastor at our church, will speak at both services. Steve & Sue Watters invite you to their home on Saturday, at June 26 at 3:30 for a chance to catch up with him!

church LIFE

- ❖ **HYMN SINGS!** Join us at 8 a.m. on June 27, July 25, & August 22.
- ❖ **CORN FEST!** Teams are forming to help out during our Corn Fest on July 10th, 3-6pm. If you are interested in being a **team leader or helping out** with games, food, music, and set/clean up, please contact Becky Lopez, Brett Dolliver, Brian Hanson, or Steve & Sue Watters.
- ❖ **R.F. DAYS PARADE FLOAT!** If you feel "creative", we have a need for our **float organizer**. ?'s, contact Steve Watters @425-7540.
- ❖ **HELP CONNECT COLLEGE STUDENTS!** To provide a "home away from home", we are looking for an Adopt-a-College-Student Coordinator(s) who would help connect interested students and willing families in the fall of 2010. Interested? Contact Mark Kimball or Brian Majerus.
- ❖ **"LIVE NATIVITY" MEETING:** Sunday, June 27 after the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

children's MINISTRY

- ❖ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Sunday, Aug. 8 -Thursday, August 12, 6 -8 p.m. (For ages 4 through those finishing 5th grade). To get involved in this **HIGH SEAS EXPEDITION**, contact Michele Beers. (425-6824).
- ❖ **CHANGE A CHILD'S LIFE!** Sunday school teachers needed! For fall, we need **teachers or co-teachers** for a 2 yr. old class, the 4th/5th grade class, and someone to be in the **nursery** during Sunday School. We could also use some people to be **subs** for the other teachers. ?'s, contact Candace Plummer @ 425-9914.

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- ❖ **GIVE IT ALL AWAY** Sr. High, we kick off our service emphasis for the summer on Wed., June 23rd at 6:30 p.m. Come join us!
- ❖ **SERVICE AND MOVIE NIGHT** Middle School, come join us with working on a service project and then back to the Youth Room for a movie night. Check back soon for the date!
- ❖ **MUDFEST** is on July 7th from 4:30-8:00pm. All Sr. High and Middle School is invited and bring your friends! Adults, we need your help for set-up, chaperoning, and take-down, so please sign up on the Youth Board.

lake beauty bible CAMP

- ❖ **WE ARE IN NEED** of a couple more drivers for Trailblazer Camp July 11 or 15th. Let Terry Ekstrom know if you can help!

graduation open house INVITES

- ❖ **EMILY KLANDERMAN:**, Saturday, June 26, 1:00-4:30 p.m., 520 Frances Ave, Hudson.
- ❖ **MIKEY LANGLOIS:** Sunday, June 27, 4-? p.m. 526 County Road MM, River Falls.

firstcov BLOG

- ❖ **TOP TWELVE REASONS** to attend something at our denominational annual meeting. See this week's blog post complete with links to interesting options. www.rfcov.org

grab your PARTNER!

- ❖ **ALL ADULTS** are invited to a barn/square dance at the Kimball's farm on Saturday, June 26 at 7 p.m. We're asking everyone to donate \$3.00 to help cover the cost of the caller. Bring your own chairs, finger foods, munchies, or a dessert to share. Beverages will be provided. RSVP's are appreciated but not required through the church website.

PRAYER REQUESTS TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK!

June 20, 2010

- For God's blessings on our Fathers
- For our Missionaries of the Week: Dave & Judy Dolan
- For the Jr. High Campers going to Lake Beauty this week: Jordan Battin, Mckenzie Curtis, Max Elliott, Andrew Ertsgaard, Ben Gabriel, Bethany Klanderma, Sarah Manche, Maya Peterson, Andrew Steffl, Isaiah Shipp
- For our shut-ins: Martha VanBeek, Irene Hilden, Evie Griffin, Dorothy Owen
- For Healing: Lowell Falde, Bob Stevens, Sarah Larson
- For our church Elders: Dan Pearson (Moderator), John Aune, Terry Traynor
- For our church staff: Pastor Todd Ertsgaard, Brian Majerus, Leah Gunderson, & Jackie Wallace

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Please remember in prayer: Tyler Splittgerber, Wyatt Stoffa, Brett Fugate, Zach Zellmer, Katie & Mike Findlay, Aaron Reiss, Melissa Leitl, Christina Lundberg, Ryan Neel, Steve Kubera

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK: Dave & Judy Dolan, Covenant missionaries serving as Coordinators for the Chinese Ministry. Please remember them in your prayers. The Dolan's can be reached by e-mail at: davejudy.dolan@comcast.net. Their home address is: 13475 N 97th Ave, Maple Grove, MN 55369.

REMEMBER in prayer Bob & Bonnie Valentine & Randy & Gail Baar who both provide Bible study/services for residents at the Kinnic Home each month!

PRESIDENTIAL PRAYER REQUEST: Pray for all those who are involved in the well stoppage, the initial and long-term clean up, and for those whose livelihoods have been dealt a set-back as a result of the damage done by the oil already in the Gulf of Mexico. Pray for all of the branches of our military and allied forces engaged in the war effort in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Pray for Secretary of State Clinton and others in the State Department to be wise in decisions regarding terrorism. Pray for the economy of our nation and globally, and the impact of individuals and families worldwide. Pray that the health and safety of families and children would be wisely encouraged by government officials.

Prayer request cards are available in the Registration Pads. Please place in the offering plate. The requests will be prayed for by our Wed. Night Prayer Group and Pastoral staff. If your request is confidential, you can give to Pastor Todd.

Pastor Todd

Joy Unshakeable

June 20, 2010

A Matter of Perspective

Philippians 3:17-4:1

As followers of Christ, we are to be in the world but not of the world. We are to live with a different perspective than the world around us. But how do we do this? In this passage, the apostle Paul shows us what is involved in living this out. It involves being committed to the following:

1. Following the right _____.

2. Living by the right _____.

3. Pursuing the right _____.

"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ."

- Philippians 3:20 (NIV)

AGAIN I SAY REJOICE

Rejoice in the Lord always
And again I say and again I say
Rejoice in the Lord always
And again I say and again I say
Rejoice

Verse 1

Come bless the Lord come bless the Lord
Draw near to worship Christ the Lord
And bless His name His holy name
Declaring He is good

O that men would praise Him
O that men would praise Him

O that men would praise His name
Praise His name to the ends of the earth

Again I say again I say

HOPE OF THE NATIONS

Jesus, Hope of the nations. Jesus, comfort to all who mourn. You are the source of heaven's hope on earth. Jesus, light in the darkness. Jesus, Truth in each circumstance. You are the source of heaven's light on earth. In history, You lived and died. You broke the chains, You rose to life.

You are the hope, living in us. You are the Rock, in whom we trust. You are the light, shining for all the world to see. You rose from the dead, conquering fear. Our Prince of Peace, drawing us near. Jesus our Hope. Living for all who will receive. Lord, we believe!

YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER

Everlasting God, the years go by, but You're unchanging. In this fragile world, You are the only firm foundation. Always loving, always true; always merciful and good, so good.

Chorus: Yesterday, Today, and forever, You are the same. You never change. Yesterday, today, and forever, You are faithful. And we will trust in You.

Uncreated One, You have no end and no beginning. Earthly powers fade, but there is no end to Your kingdom. Always loving, always true; always merciful and good, so good. Chorus.

Bridge: Yahweh, God unchanging. Yahweh, firm foundation. Chorus 2x.

FATHER, LET ME DEDICATE

Chorus 1

Be glorified in me be glorified
Be glorified in me be glorified

Verse 1

Father let me dedicate
All this life to Thee
In whatever worldly state
Thou wilt have me be
Not from sorrow pain or care
Freedom dare I claim
This alone shall be my pray'r
Glorify Thy name

Verse 2

Can a child presume to choose
Where or how to live
Can a Father's love refuse
All the best to give
Let my glad heart while it sings
Thee in all proclaim
And whate'er the future brings
Glorify Thy name