

## THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITY

Be a special part!! One of the ways we express love for God and others (and are shaped by Him) is through serving others.

One opportunity to check out is:

### Sunday Minibus Drivers

Some want to worship with us but getting here can be hard. Help college students and seniors join us in this important, practical ministry! Training is available. And there is a good core team so you can be scheduled as needed (a lot or a little). Contact the office or Dean Benoy, Outreach Ministry Team Leader, to volunteer or for more info.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### ELECTRONIC GIVING:

Go to [www.rfcov.org](http://www.rfcov.org) and click on the *Electronic Tithing* link under Resources.

Weekly Operational need 2019: \$12,474.75

Regular Giving 3.3.19: \$19,033.36

Weekly YTD average: \$16,421.19

Mortgage balance as of 1.1.19: \$549,068.79

Attendance on 3.3.19: 118 & 169-287

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## THANK YOU

**GREETERS:** (8:15) Jerry & Dianne Hallstrom

(10:45) Mark & Brenda Gabriel

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Jake Jacobs, Hannah Plummer,  
John Witt, Paul Schatz, Jerry Nelson

**SOUND:** Andrew Ertsgaard **VIDEO:** Ben Gabriel

**THE HUB:** (8:15) Jackie Wallace  
(10:45) Sarah Vance

**NURSERY:** (8:15) Emily & Erik Bekkum, Karissa Baar  
(10:45) Anna McCosh, Nicole & Kylee Strehlau

**JR. CHURCH:** (10:45) Melissa Ertsgaard

**USHERS:** (8:15) Jerry Hallstrom, Brian Halling  
(10:45) Adam Johnson, Steve Schalla

**PRAYER PARTNERS:** (8:15) Bob Hoaglund  
(10:45) Art & Val Wellnitz

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:** Leslie Benoy, Anne Harris

**PRODUCE PICK-UP:** Brian Halling

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY 3/10

8:15 & 10:45a

9:30a

9:45a

3:00-6:00p

### MONDAY 3/11

6:30p

### TUESDAY 3/12

12:00p

### WEDNESDAY 3/13

9:30a

3:30-5:00p

5:30-6:15p

6:30-8:00p Awana, Confirmation, Sr. High Youth Group

6:30-7:30p

### THURSDAY 3/14

8:15p

### FRIDAY 3/15

9:45a

5:00p

5:00p

SUNDAY 3/17

8:15a & 10:45a

9:30a

12:00p

1:00p

Worship Services

Adult Sunday School

Hymn Sing in Worship Center

Ice Skating Party at UWRF

Financial Peace University

Classroom Use: Weight Watchers

Precepts class

Confirmation

Fellowship Supper

Prayer Group

Iron: Men's Group

Women's Bible Study Fellowship

Multi-Purpose Room use (overnight UWRF

IV Women's retreat)

Leaving church for FMSC Packing

Worship Services

Adult Sunday School

Gr. 1-12 meet in classrooms first & then with

Lake Beauty rep in Worship Center.

Camp Parents meeting in Youth room

CHIC Spaghetti Lunch, Bake Sale & Silent Auction

Orientation 1 Class

# FIRST COVENANT CHURCH

"On the Journey: Sharing Christ, Growing Together"

Sunday, March 10, 2019 | 8:15a & 10:45a

## OPENING SONG

## WELCOME | ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WORSHIP SONGS

## OFFERING

Children ages 5-7 can go to Rm 306 for Junior Church.

Parents: Please walk your child to the room and pick up after the service

## MESSAGE

High Energy Hope

Pastor Todd

## CLOSING SONG

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

HIGH  
ENERGY  
FAITH

# WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICES!

*Guests, we welcome you!*

- ❖ **WELCOME PADS** help us to care and connect! Please write your contact info, pass it down the row, and then pass it back. Inside are cards for prayer requests, sign up for the weekly e-news, and more. *If you leave your address, we will send you a Welcome letter with next step ideas to get to know us...and no extra mailings!*
- ❖ **CHILDREN/FAMILIES:** (The Ushers would love to help you too!).
  - \*Nurseries (Infants to 4 y.o.).
  - ❖ 8:15- Nursery Room (To the right of the main entrance).
  - ❖ 10:45- Nursery Room.
    - \*Infant Room—Hear the service too. On right as you enter Worship Center.
    - \*10:45- Junior Church—5-7 y.o. in Rm 303.
    - \**Children's Activity Bulletins* (ages 4-7) and *Jr. Sermon Notes* (ages 8-12) are available on the usher's cart AND "*Busy Bags*" for kids @theHub!
- ❖ **OFFERING** is an act of worship and a privilege of our church family. We are just glad you are here to worship with us today!
- ❖ **FREE GIFT:** As an expression of appreciation, pick up a gift and get to know us from the info.

## COVENANT WORLD RELIEF

**Our collection is next Sunday, March 17!**

Bring back your can banks or you can use the donation envelope (next week's bulletin) for the processional offering.

CWR is currently involved in community development, disaster relief, and special projects throughout the world.

STAY IN CONTACT WITH CWR with Facebook  
(facebook.com/covenantworldrelief), Twitter @CovWorldRelief.



## CHURCH LIFE

- ❖ **NEXT SUNDAY March 17** Pastor Todd continues our series with 1 Cor. 16:1-4 and the importance of living a generous life.
- ❖ **WED. SUPPER** this week: Pulled Turkey. Serving 5:15-6p. Sign up on Welcome Pad.
- ❖ **HYMN SINGS** this month are on March 10 & 24 from 9:45-10:15a in the Worship Center. Join us!
- ❖ **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN!** JOIN US this **Fri., Mar. 15** as we head up to the Eagan Packing Center. Sign up @theHub. Leaving church at 5:00p. The shift is 6:00-7:30p.
- ❖ **BE INFORMED!** Our Leadership Team & Ministry Team (LT/MT) monthly notes are @ the Info Rack.
- ❖ **INTERESTED IN BAPTISM?** Contact Pastor Todd
- ❖ **FOCUS ON LIFE MARCH THEME** is **Worldwide Christian Persecution**. More information at [rfcov.org/blog](http://rfcov.org/blog) and in the March Clarion newsletter.
- ❖ **PREPARE FOR EASTER!** Use the *Journey to the Cross* devotional booklet found at the Family Resource Table by the office door.
- ❖ **SAVE THE DATES!** Our "ROAR" Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 28 – Aug.1.

## RESCHEDULED FROM FEB. 24

- ❖ **TODAY! ICE SKATING PARTY!** March 10 at UWRF from 3:00-6:00p. Coupons to invite a friend are @theHub (Your Feb. 24 coupon is ok to use).
- ❖ **LAKE BEAUTY BIBLE CAMP SUNDAY: Sun., March 17, 9:30-10:30a**
  - **Grades 1- High School:** Meet for a special time in Worship Center w/ the Camp rep. Go to classrooms first.
  - **Parents' Meeting** Location: Youth Room.

## LEARN & CONNECT!

- ❖ **NEXT SUN. MAR 17 at 1:00p** Pastor Todd will hold an **Orientation 1 class**.
  - **Who?** Those **newer** to FirstCov **OR** long time FirstCov'ers who have not done it.
  - **What happens?** Learn more about the Christian life, us, our wider church family (Evangelical Covenant Church), and even take a first step in becoming a member.
  - Let Pastor Todd know if you are interested in coming. Child care is available!

## CHIC FUNDRAISER!

- ❖ **NEXT SUN., MAR. 17 | 12:00p to 1:00p** Support our youth for the CHIC 2021 youth conference!
  - **Spaghetti Lunch, Bake Sale & Silent Auction!** Some Auction item highlights include a 2018 Green Bay Packers printed team football, St. Paul Saints tickets, MN Twins Tony Oliva autographed picture, Milwaukee Brewers tickets & women's t-shirt, student services, some great themed baskets, plus more! We hope you can come out to support our youth for their prep for the next CHIC trip!

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS

**9:30-10:30a The Gospel Project**

ALL the Bible for ALL the ages!

Study the same Bible passages across ages!!

- ❖ **Where: Sunday School** (Classes for Kids, Middle School, High School, & Adults)
- ❖ **How May You Gain?**
  - **Study the whole Bible** with others.
  - **Be equipped to engage other generations (including family)** by studying the same passages.
  - **Have Jesus glorified to you in new ways, especially from the Old Testament.**
  - **Use the resources** for personal or family study and growth.
  - **Adults!** Divine Design begins next Sunday, March 17.

## GET CONNECTED! SMALL GROUPS

- ❖ **WANT TO JOIN A GROUP?** God works in our groups through: 1) relationships & community, 2) Studying and Growing toward maturity, 3) Prayer & Care, 4) Missional Service. There's one Sunday nights: 6:00-8:00p. See Dan & Terri Pearson ([teracita.pearson@gmail.com](mailto:teracita.pearson@gmail.com)) or the office to get connected.

# PRAYER REQUESTS THIS WEEK

March 10, 2019

- ❖ For Covenant World Relief (CWR). Pick up info. @theHub
- ❖ For our Missionary of the Week: Randy Bevis
- ❖ For our College Student of the week: Max Elliott
- ❖ For Healing and Help: Angie Martini, David Petersen, Nora Munson, Joan Bystrom, Deb Kathan, Bill Hickox
- ❖ As we move forward from our Vitality, continue to pray for our next phase called Strategic Ministry Planning and for these team members: Pastor Todd, Pastor Brian, Melissa Falde, Jason Hull, Evan Carstedt, Kathi Nelson, Krista Majerus, and Pat Stevens
- ❖ For our Northwest Conference Leaders (see below)
- ❖ For our church staff: Pastor Todd, Pastor Brian, Neil Vance, Jackie Wallace

*We are glad to pray for you in joy or in times of need. Needs will be listed for up to four weeks, but please let us know if you would like it longer.*

## THOSE IN THE MILITARY

For: Sam & Isaac Witt, Brent Wiersma, Roland Pomfret, Mike Findlay, Aaron Riess, Ryan Neel, John Meier, Murray Stoffa, Colin Arneson, Mckenzie Curtis, Max Elliott, Justin Petersen

## OUR NORTHWEST CONFERENCE LEADERS

Northwest Conference Office: 3106 47<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN

The Mission of the Northwest Conference is to engage, empower and equip healthy missional leaders, as we believe that this is a key to growing healthy churches.

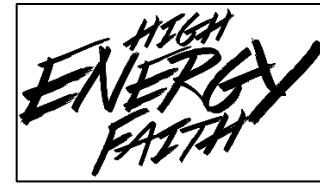
**Mark R. Stromberg**, Superintendent; **Mike Brown**, Director of Church Planting; **Jon Kramka**, Director of Congregational Vitality; **Bryan Malley**, Director of Communications; **Ginny Olson**, Director of Youth Ministry; **Kara Stromberg**, Director of Children & Family Ministry; **Jeff Burton**, Director of Pastoral Care & Development; **Greg Ellis**, Coordinator for CHET NWC; **Sandy Norris**, Director of Finance; **Cheryl Theilen**, Director of Administration; **Jessa Anderson**, Administrative Coordinator

## COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

**Max Elliott**, son of Michelle Elliott. Max attends UWRF with a History Education major. Remember him in prayer!

## OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

**Randy Bevis** serves as a Covenant Special Assignment missionary and is director of **In-Seine, "Full Nets, Changed Lives"** ministry. He shares his knowledge of **"aquaculture" or fish farming in many countries**. Randy had a busy schedule of travel to DR Congo, Thailand, and Haiti where he was teaching university students about fish farming and working on trying to get some of the ponds to hold water better. Randy's mailing address is: In-Seine, PO Box 163, New London, MN 56273. E-mail: Randy@in-seine.org



## HIGH ENERGY HOPE | 1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-58 | PASTOR TODD

Today, we continue our series entitled, "*High Energy Faith*," by looking at the future glorious bodies we will one day receive if we've placed our trust in Christ. Paul wants us to know:

1. What to \_\_\_\_\_.

2. When it \_\_\_\_\_.

3. How it \_\_\_\_\_.

*"If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied."*

– 1 Corinthians 15:19 (NIV)