



THORNAPPLE

COVENANT CHURCH

April 22, 2018 | Ground Breaking | 10:00 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP



Ground Breaking Celebration Info

Immediately following today's worship service is our Ground Breaking Celebration for our Always Making Room building project. Everyone is invited to join us for this joyous occasion! Parents, please go pick up your kids downstairs as quickly as possible so all our volunteers can also join us outside. Everyone else, please exit the building and reconvene on the south/Burton Street side of our current building for a brief ground breaking ceremony. Following the ceremony we invite you to take a photo by the tractor/dirt pile with your family, collect a scoop of dirt to take home as a reminder to pray for this project in the coming months and enjoy refreshments along the pathway on the Cascade Road side of the building.

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Special thanks to everyone who contributed to the planning and implementation of this special celebration. And thanks to Kingsland Ace Hardware and Rental for loaning us the wheelbarrows and Jim Hoozeboom for the tractor for our photo booth.

- Prelude** *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*
- Welcome** Michael Weller
- Choral Piece** *I Will Worship the Lord*
(Words and Music by John Rutter)
- *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today** Hymn #258
- *Come, People of the Risen King**
- Prayer**
- Offering**
- Choral Piece** *Hallelujah Chorus*
(from Beethoven's "Mount of Olives")
- Scripture Reading** *Philippians 2:1-13*
- Message** *Focus: Living Under Christ* Pastor Rob Peterson
- *Have Thine Own Way, Lord!** (v. 1 only)
- *Oh You Bring**
- *The Church's One Foundation**

Benediction

*Congregational song

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The Prayer Team will be under the cross following both services if you would like to pray.
If you are our guest this morning, stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a gift we have for you.

Worship Resources | To help you worship throughout the week, we've prepared Worship Resources (music playlists, weekly scripture readings and all-church verse of the month cards) available online (thornapple.org/worshipresources) and at the Welcome Center.



CALENDAR

Sunday 4/22 | Ground Breaking

10:00am • Children's Worship/Crew 52/
Huddles

11:15am • Ground Breaking Celebration

6:00pm • Senior Banquet

Monday 4/23

6:30am • Monday Mornings for Men

9:30am • College & Career Moms in Prayer

7:00pm • Support Group for Caregivers of
Aging Adults

Tuesday 4/24

7:00pm • Financial Peace University

Wednesday 4/25

9:30am • Women's Bible Study

6:30pm • Prayer Gathering

Thursday 4/26

9:30am • Moms on a Mission

7:30pm • Worship Team Rehearsal

Friday 4/27

9:30am • WholyFit

7:00pm • Ladies Bowling Night (offsite)

Saturday 4/28

Sunday 4/29 |

9:00am • Children's Worship/Crew 52

10:30am • Children's Worship/Crew 52/
Huddles/Senior Session (offsite)/
Sermon Discussion

Are you connected? Would you like to receive our weekly email newsletter and future communications from our pastoral staff and ministries.

Sign up at: thornapple.org/contact-us.

EVENT INFORMATION

- **Women's Ministry Bowling Night** | Join us THIS Friday, April 27 from 7:00-9:00pm at Clique Bowling Alley (533 Stocking Ave. NW). Feel free to invite your friends - registration (thornapple.org/bowling) is open until we fill up (we're renting the upstairs so space is limited to 8 lanes for bowling).
- ♦ **Alpha Course - Part I** | Curious about exploring life and the Christian faith? Do you know someone who is curious about spirituality? The Alpha Course is a series of interactive sessions which invite people to talk about the meaning of life, learn about Jesus Christ and faith in an open, friendly, informal environment. Thornapple is launching Alpha this spring – part I is the first 6 sessions of the 11-part series. We'll meet Monday nights, 6:30-8:30pm, at the Ingebretson's home, starting Monday, Apr. 30, ending June 11 (with a night off on Memorial Day, May 28). Sessions all include a meal, talk and a group discussion. Open to all, but limited to 10 spaces. Learn more and register at thornapple.org/alpha1.
- **TSM 5K** | Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to the TSM 5K on Saturday, May 5 at 9:00am at Cascade Park. Cost is \$40 for adults and \$20 for students. Funds raised will support TSM's High School Adventure Trip, CHIC, Middle School Adventure Week and future retreats. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/tsm5k.
- **New to the Covenant denomination and/or to Thornapple?** We offer a three-part series (May 2, 9, 16; 6:30-8:00pm) called "What is a Covenant Church?" This is a great way to learn about the denomination and church membership (it is also a membership prerequisite). Following the series, we will have a membership class on Sunday, May 20 from 4:00-6:00pm. For more details and to sign up, visit: thornapple.org/membership.
- **HS SMKY MTN Adventure Trip** | June 17-23 for students currently in grades 8-12. Join us as we explore Little River Campground in Townsend, TN and Great Smoky Mountain National Park outside Gatlinburg. Learn more and sign up at thornapple.org/smkymtn.
- **Israel Study Tour** | All adults are invited! The trip dates are May 21-June 2, 2019. This trip is being offered to the Thornapple community first, if it does not fill up by Aug. 1, we will open it up to others (there are four spots left!). It will be led by Middle East expert, Dr. Gary Burge. Learn more and get on the pre-registration list: thornapple.org/israel.
- **MOPS 2018/2019 Registration** | MOPS registration for next year will be open to Thornapple members (not currently in MOPS) starting May 4. Registration opens to the public on May 11. If you are interested, please email thornapplemps@gmail.com to receive the registration link.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Your generous giving to God's ministry at Thornapple is critical every month of the year. Online giving is available for secure one-time or recurring gifts via bank account, debit card or credit card at thornapple.org/give.

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Giving (March 2018)	\$96,089	\$134,490	(\$38,400)
Giving 2018 Year-to-date	\$282,508	\$344,534	(\$62,025)
2018 building campaign (restricted)	\$236,878.64		

Building Fund Gifts to Date, since beginning of campaign: \$2,253,965.62

NEWS

- ◆ **Congratulations** to Claire and Jordan Goorhouse on the birth of their son, Jack, on April 8.
- ◆ **Please pray** for Kirk and Gail Mortenson, his mom, Sally, and their extended family as they grieve the death of his dad, Doug.
- ◆ **Graduate Recognition** | Sunday, May 13, we'll be celebrating all graduates - featuring our high school graduates in the service. We would also like to honor our college and grad school graduates. If you or someone you know is celebrating a higher ed graduation, please email their name, degree and school information to Michelle Bennett (mbennett@thornapple.org) by Tuesday, May 8.
- ◆ **Items needed for two urban ministries!** During our Urban Plunge we discovered that a few of our urban organizations need some items for their patrons. They need: new or gently used bath towels, washcloths, sheets and men's suits. Other items needed are: deodorant, toiletries, men's underwear/undershirts (XL) and men's socks. If you can help with this, please drop donations off in the bin by the lounge no later than May 6.
- ◆ **Artists** | We are looking for artwork to display in the Lobby - original or completed as part of a class or project. If you are interested in sharing your talents with us, please contact Rachel Wong (rachelcwong@aol.com).
- ◆ **Would you like to get connected by serving at Thornapple?** We are looking to expand our Greeter and Usher teams. Greeters welcome people to worship and help guests get where they need to go in the building. Ushers welcome people to the sanctuary for worship and gather the offering. If you have any questions or you'd like to join one of these teams, please connect with Pastor Karen (kingebretson@thornapple.org).
- ◆ **Media Help** | Worship Ministry is seeking tech-savvy volunteers to help run media and slides on Sunday morning. Previous Mac experience preferred; training provided. If you are interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity, contact Michael Weller (mweller@thornapple.org) or Jessica Mix (jmix@thornapple.org).
- ◆ **Missionaries in Need of Housing** | Chris and Becca Hirt (Wycliffe Bible Translators serving in Thailand) will be home on furlough the second half of 2018. Do you have, or know of, a place (fully furnished would be ideal/preferred) for their family of five to live from mid-June through mid-Dec? Contact Pastor Karen (kingebretson@thornapple.org) if you can help.

MINISTRY INFORMATION

If you have questions or to learn more about these and other ministries, visit the links listed next to each ministry name or visit our website at thornapple.org.

CHILDREN | thornapple.org/children

- **Nursery** | Birth-3yrs, lower level
- **4s-1st grade** | Children's Worship, lower level
- **2nd-5th grade** | Crew 52, lower level

STUDENTS | thornapple.org/students

- **MS/HS Huddles** | At 10:00am
- **HS Small Group Sunday** | May 13
- **Senior Banquet** | TODAY at 6pm
- **Senior Sessions** | Apr. 29 (10:30am)
- **TSM 5K** | Sat., May 5 at 9am at Cascade Park
- **Graduate/Journey Celebration** | Sunday, May 13
- **Senior Say So** | Sunday, May 20

YOUNG ADULTS | thornapple.org/youngadults

- **Small Group** | 2nd and 4th Monday evenings, 7:30-9pm at 6578 Brookhills Ct. SE, Grand Rapids. Contact Shalini Bennett (shalinibennett@gmail.com).

PRIME TIMERS (60+) | thornapple.org/primetimers

- **Prime Timer, Moms + Preschooler Carnival** | Friday, May 4, 10:30am-12:30pm (seniors arrive at 10:00am for setup) in the Community Room.
- **Brunch with Staff** | Friday, May 18 at 10:00am (final gathering for the year)

WOMEN | thornapple.org/women

- **Women's Bible Studies** | Wed. at 9:30am/6:30pm
- **WholyFit** | Exercise and worship; for women of all ages; meets Fridays from 9:30-10:30am.
- **Ladies Bowling Night** | Fri., Apr. 27, 7-9pm

MEN | thornapple.org/men

- **Monday Mornings** | Fellowship and prayer 6:30-7:30am. Contact Kirk Mortenson (kirkdmortenson@gmail.com) for location or with questions
- **Men's Small Groups** | thornapple.org/man2man
- **Men's Breakfast** | Sat., May 12 at 8:00am with speaker Todd Drenth

NEPALI-SPEAKING | thornapple.org/nepali

- **Worship** | Sundays at 10:30am

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Info updates/requests can be submitted at:
thornapple.org/requestform



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SERMON NOTES



We're asking EVERYONE to fill out a Connection Card during worship. These cards will give us your contact info and help identify your "next step" or share a prayer request. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or left at the Welcome Center. During the week, staff will follow up with people as needed.

Bulletins left at the back of the Sanctuary will be recycled.

