

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

Today, Sunday, December 6

2nd Sunday of Advent
 9:00 am Worship
 10:30 am Sunday School for all ages
 12:00 pm Church on Channel 12

Monday, December 7

Tuesday, December 8

6:30 pm Council Meets

Wednesday, December 9

6:00 pm Hunger for Healing/Social Gathering Room

Thursday, December 10

6:00 pm Meyer Bible Study

Friday, December 11

9:30 am Peanut Butter Gang Bible Study/Social Gathering Room

Saturday, December 12

Next Sunday, December 13 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Worship
 10:30 am Sunday School
 12:00 pm Church on Channel 12



Happy Birthday

Oliver Rohman	Dec. 6
Sarah Rohman	Dec. 8
Scott Donnelly	Dec. 10

Happy Anniversary

Greg & Barb Smith	Dec. 3
Kevin & Kyle Saari	Dec. 18
Andy & Beth Shieber	Dec. 22
AJ & Maria Krusemark	Dec. 30

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Our Community

1st Covenant Church—Worthington
 The Salvation Army
 Our Video Ministry

Reaching Our World

Francisco & Stephanie Ramos
 Daron & Kristen Jagodzinske
 (Kitsap County, WA)
 Jeff & Angie Martin (UPBC Mission's)
 Mourning Glory's Ministry
 Kyle & Matilda Tromanhauser—Converge
 Munich Germany

Say Special Prayers for those

Serving Our Country

Parker Hahn
 (Bob & Kathy Lake's son-law)
 Nathan Lake (Bob & Kathy Lake's son)
 David Hoppe
 (Gretchen Hoppe's grandson)
 Mark Knobel (Jan Olson's grandson)
 Jake Michaletz (Bob & Debra Engman's grandson)
 Isaiah Nault (Cathy Meyer's grandson)

Our Vision Statement

We aspire to be a spirit-alive, multigenerational church family that embraces and nurtures authentic, Christ-centered relationships and shares the unconditional, life-changing love of Christ with our community and the world.

Prayer Requests

Many, many prayers have been answered through our prayer chain. We care and are waiting to help you! Please call Dorothy Deguise at 238-1371 to get prayer chain started. On the weekend please call pastor Dan at home 399-2134.

On-line giving to the church is now available on our church website fair-montcovenant.com.

Or by scanning on the QR Code.



GIVING REPORT

General Budget 2020	\$3694.66
Weekly Need	\$1188.00
Received November 29h	

Small Group Opportunities

Hunger For Healing is held on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Social Gathering Room on the lower level of the church. The purpose is to fellowship and celebrate God's healing power in our lives through the 12 Steps. Please contact Dawn at 399-1243 or Curt at 507-236-5745 for more information.

Meyer Bible Study We are studying the Beatitudes. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus identified attitudes that bring God's favor. In this study by Kay Arthur and David and BJ Lawson, we will look closely at the meaning behind each of the Beatitudes to see how these truths can shape our choices every day and bring us closer to the heart of God. This group meets Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Social Gathering Room on the lower level of the church.

The Peanut Butter Gang (PBG) meets Friday 9:30 am in the Social Gathering Room on the lower level of the church. They are doing "What's So Amazing About Grace?" By Phillip Yancey starting Friday, Sept. 25th. Contact Dawn at 399-1243 for more information.

Men's Coffee Group meets Wednesday and Friday mornings, 6:30 am at Hy Vee.

The Evergreen's meet during the summer months on the 1st Thursday of the month at 9:30 am and also the 2nd Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm. During Covid 19 they will not be meeting at this time. Will keep you posted. All are welcome for some time of fellowship/food/ and sometimes a movie.

The Quilter's Group meets the 2nd Monday of the month. Anyone interested in joining this group, please contact Carolyn Siedel at 507-848-0481. Our talk to Debra Engman.



There will be a Congregational meeting next Sunday, December 13th after the worship time to vote on the 2021 Church Budget. Copies of this budget will be available in the Fellowship Hall and also is included in your weekly letter. Zoom will also be available for those who wish to be a part of it from you home.



Strength doesn't come from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once **thought you couldn't.**



Noisy Offering TODAY goes to CHIC!



The Evangelism Commission is taking up a glove and hat donation for our rural area. There is a tote in the Fellowship Hall where these items can be placed, or get them to the church office.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX UPDATE!!

Once again that while Cadillac was seen heading north with Harriet in the passenger seat. They delivered 63 shoeboxes to the drop-off site in Mankato on Thursday, Nov. 19th. Thank you to all of you who packed a shoe-box or donated money for Operation Christmas Child.

SOME OF OUR
CHURCH
LEADERSHIP

Senior Pastor

Dan Wheeler
399-2134

Church Secretary

Barb Smith

Bookkeeper

Harriet
Tromanhauser

Church Chair

Curt Howard

Vice Chair

Bryan Wilken

Council Secretary

Sheila Zuehlke

Financial Secretary

Roger Bloomgren

Worship Chair

Cathy Meyer

Christian Ed. Chair

Jenni Diegnau

Fellowship Chair

Cathie Gladfelter

Evangelism Chair

Stewardship Chair

Jeremy Hinkle

Properties Chair

Marty Goodrich

Elders

Kurt Hines

Larry Peterson

Maynard Jagodzinske

Bill Wallace

Prayer Chain

Coordinator

Dorothy Deguise

399-6588

Barb Smith

Church Custodian

Dick Tromanhauser

Advocacy for

Victims of Abuse

Georgie Pfaffinger

507-301-5592

2nd Sunday of Advent

What Is the Candle of Peace?

One of the hallmarks of the Christmas story is when the angels appear to the shepherds and proclaim, "Peace on earth," in [Luke 2:14](#).

Jesus brought about peace, in the most unexpected ways, when he arrived. The Jews, particularly the zealots, wanted a rebellion. They wanted their Savior to overturn the oppressive rule of the Romans and bring about peace in a violent way.

But Jesus had something else in mind. As mentioned in [this article](#), Jesus brings us peace in a number of ways.

First, he gives us inner peace. Because of his work on the cross, we have a chance to receive salvation and be indwelt by the Holy Spirit. This grants us an inner peace ([John 14:27](#)). Not only do we have the peace that comes from our assurance of salvation, but we also have the peace of mind knowing God will heal this broken world and will come again.

Second, as mentioned in the article above, we have peace with others. We put aside our differences ([Galatians 3:28](#)), especially with other believers, because we belong to the same family. We have the same purpose: to let others know about the peace of Christ.

The Hebrew word for peace: *Shalom*, goes far beyond not fighting with others or peace as we know it. As pointed out in the book *Not the Way It's Supposed to Be*, shalom is, in essence, how things are meant to be: a slice of heaven.

The peace of God allows us to look at others through heaven's eyes and help guide the world to see God's here and not-yet here kingdom.

Peace from God, biblical peace, allows us to [trust in God's promises](#) ([Proverbs 3:5](#)), through restful, tranquil faith, despite the dark, scary world around us.

Prayer Requests

This can be used to share with the body a prayer request, a word from the Lord, a word of encouragement, or other news you would like the congregation to be praying about. (births, deaths, celebrations) Fill out this sheet and place it in the offering. Half sheets available from ushers or can be found in back of the church
