THANKS

From Rick Porter, Justin and Rachelle Grimmett and children; Adam and Nicole Houser and boys; Jenna Willis and children We are so grateful to all who were the hands and feet of Jesus to us during the days leading up to and following mom's home going. The gifts of money, food, child care, flowers, and prayer were such a blessing to us. We feel very loved by all of our church family and appreciate your kindness to us.

Svensk Hyllningsfest

Our church has been asked again to provide 10 tea rings for the Svensk Hyllningsfest smorgasbord, Friday, October 13. Look for a sign-up sheet on the Information Table coming soon.

Potluck Picnic and Baptismal Service

August 6 at Lindsborg Swimming Pool



7:00 Baptismal Service: Share with those being baptized at the service which will be held at the Lindsborg Swimming Pool. Bring lawn chairs if you wish to sit closer to the pool. There are bleachers outside of the fence.

7:30 - 9:00 Free swimming at the pool.

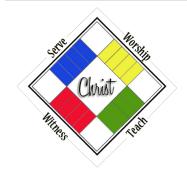


Please keep the office informed of changes in your contact information - address, phone number changes and e-mail addresses. Thanks!

Newsletter Deadline

Monday, July 17

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Life Together

Lindsborg Covenant Church

Message from Pastor Jeff

What is one thing that a wedding ring and water have in common? They are both visible signs of

invisible realities. You can't see marriage, but you can see a wedding ring. A wedding ring symbolizes marriage. When you see a wedding ring on a person, you know that person is married.

In the same way, you can't see the forgiveness and righteousness that Jesus gives us when we thank Him for dying on the cross for our sin. But we can see water and the water of baptism is a visible sign of God washing away our sin and making us pure. The water of

baptism is the visible sign of God's invisible grace of salvation in our lives.

Baptism is one of the sacraments of the Church. A sacrament is a "visible sign of an invisible grace."

Just before His ascension into heaven, Jesus commanded His followers to participate in this sacrament. And so out of obedience to our Lord, we need to be baptized. And when we obey our Lord, there is always blessing.

Our church's annual baptismal service is set this year for August 6th. If you are a believer and have not been baptized, you need to see one of the pastors about getting baptized on this date. And if you have already been

baptized, come to the potluck and baptismal event to support those who are being baptized.



August 6th events:

- 5:30 p.m. Potluck at the main shelter at South Park
- 7:00 p.m. Baptism at the Lindsborg pool
- 7:30 p.m. Open pool play

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, July 23, 1 p.m.

The Second-Quarter Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, July 24, at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Covenant Women Ministries will be serving lunch before the meeting. This will help pay the costs of those going to Covenant Women's Retreat on October.

Board Bits

From Monday, June 8, Meeting

- ▶ The church changed insurance providers on June 1 to Brotherhood Mutual. We will save close to \$9,000 even with the addition of an earthquake rider.
- ► A unanimous decision was made by the CE Board to adopt the "Dig In" curriculum for HIS Kids and Jodi Duncan has begun working on it.



The Book of Acts

2nd Acts 15: 36 - 16:10

9th Acts 16: 11-40

16th Acts 17: 1-15

23rd Acts 17: 16-34

30th Acts 18: 1-28

Camp Schedules

Explorers/Trailblazers

Both Leave Tuesday, July 10, at 12:00 p.m. from church parking lot.

Trailblazers return Thursday, July 13, 11:30 - noon

Explorers return Friday, July 14, 11:30 - noon. Questions? Contact Camp Coordinator Nancy Bolden (227-2994) or the church office.

Where to send mail

Please mail early so your Camper gets their mail at Camp!

Rock Springs 4-H Center [Child's Name] Ev. Covenant 5405 West Highway K-157 Junction City, KS 66441-7455

Covenant Cedars

- **Jr. High Campers** Leave Sunday, July 2, at 11:00 from the church parking lot. Return July 7, approximately 5:00 p.m.
- **Sr. High Campers** Leave Sunday, July 9, at 11:00 from the church parking lot. Return July 14, approximately 5:00 p.m.

Questions? Contact Jim Christopher (668-2477) or the church office.

Keep all of these Campers, Counselors, and staff members in your prayers.

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1 Mark and Susan Goss
- 2 Robert Ahlstedt Stephen Peterson Kajsa Peterson Gabbi Smith
- 3 Sam Diederich Jeremy & Jaime Elseth
- 5 Trae Yelton Chris & Dolores Stevens
- 6 Cynthia Power
- 8 LindaMay Rogers
- 9 Benjamin Woods Kendal Peterson Chris Rocco
- 10 Laura Peterson Paula Butterfield
- 11 Jerry Hall
- 12 Callie Weibert
- 13 Fannie Olsen Cameron Rodgers
- 14 Tate Nurnberg Neill Walker
- 15 Karen Blanchat
 David and Marla Peterson
 Vince Rocco
- 16 Brad Pywell
- 17 Janice Loring Rande Repp Landon Snyder Mary Frye

- 18 Al Ray Bret Sauvage
- 19 Malina Anderson Sarah Shultz
- Jennifer HuffmanGracie LottMagnus PetersonNorman and Kathy Peterson
- 21 Joel Woods Erik and Amanda Peterson
- 23 Donna Elvin Tyler Yelton
- 24 Craig Olsen Russ and Jamie Weibert Sonja Woods
- 25 Janet Bowden

- 26 Danielle Rodgers Clarence Davis (70th)
- 27 Stone Nichols Kathy Cooper
- 28 Joshua Woods
 Justin and Rachelle
 Grimmett
 Jeff and Julie Waugh
- 29 Brian and Dana Bowman Nancy Galloway
- 30 Graci Kejr Irvin and Lois Myers Amanda Schwindt
- 31 Chad and Angie Allsbury Jeff Garretson Richard Schmidt

If you should note any discrepancies or omissions in this list, please contact the office.

Thanks!

This Is Sunday Night For July, 6:30

2nd Praise and Prayer Service

23rd 55+ Hymn Sing

Hospitality Night (no service planned at church, but you are encouraged to use this evening for your own hospitality ministry)

30th Praise and Prayer Service

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Missions Reports

[Complete letters are posted on the Missions Bulletin Board]

Pray for Missions

From Andrea Cooper

I will finally graduate from 2nd grade (after 17 years) and move onto 3rd and 4th grade. I will be teaching a multi-grade classroom so there will many new challenges and adventures as I learn new curriculum and balance the different academic

levels and content. I thank God that there is a summer break between then and now to help me prepare.

As for now, my 2nd graders and I are finishing up the school year. We celebrated Cinco de Mayo by taking paper flowers and singing to residents in a nearby nursing home. We have also enjoyed the exhibits at the Inter-

national Museum of Arts and Science (IMAS). Pray along with me and the students as we try to focus and learn in these remaining days of the school year.

I thank each and every one of you for your support and prayers. As some of you may recall I came down to the border underfunded. I will be spending the summer visiting churches in Southern Illinois to raise more financial support. If you would like to know more how you can help give me a call at 316-941-8339. You can also go directly to the World Gospel Mission website: www.wgm.org/cooper.

Our friend Terry Johnson who currently lives in Mason City, Iowa is on a small team going to the Democratic Republic of Congo. The dates of the trip are July 18-29. Their desire is that this trip will further build a connection between the church body and the people of Congo. They are also hop-

ing to meet many of the Congo kids that they support! The group is also looking for people in God's Kingdom to join with them on the journey in these ways.

Prayer:

Be committed to praying for the team going to Congo. Terry and

the others would value your prayer support. If you would like to be on her email for trip updates, you can email Terry and she will put you on the update list: terrylynnjohnson1@gmail.com

Financial Donation:

While this is a small group going to the Democratic Republic of Congo you can also invest in the mission of this trip and God's work that is being done in the Congo. You can contact Terry with your interest.

Missions Interest Group

Tuesday, July 18, 2:00 p.m.

Church Library

Kathy Lindgren, Hostess Julie Waugh, Devotions

Vacation Bible School

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July 17 - 21 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

We are still looking for a game, Bible video, nursery, teacher's lounge, and photography/slideshow di-

rector for VBS, July 17-21. We also need first and third grade crew leaders, set-up and tear down help, registration help, and several assistants. If you are not able to volunteer, please consider donating snack or craft items. To sign up, please check out the VBS table in the foyer.

There will be a VBS training on Friday, July 7 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. and Wednesday, July 12 from 4:30-5:30. All volunteers, please attend one of these meetings.

Hymn Sing Sunday, July 23, at 6:30

Ruth Peterson will formulate our Hymn Sing from hymn requests submitted. You can help:

- We will continue collecting hymn suggestions until the 9th. Basket and hymn slips are located at the Information Table (by south entrance).
- Volunteers for desserts? There is a sign up at the Information Table.

Come, join us in the singing of old and new favorites Sunday, July 23, at 6:30 in the Church Library. Of course, desserts follow.

Looking Ahead: Next month will be our noon potluck.

Planning Meeting
Thursday, July 13, 10:00
Room 117

Hospitality Ministry

There is always a lot of activity in our church during the summer months. Please make sure you clean up after yourself and event! There's no need to leave a mess for the staff to take care of. Sadly, this happens a lot. Let's do our best to take care of it!

New Hosting booklets will be coming in September. Over the next few months we will be making our list as current as possible. We want you all in a hosting group.

In the months to come, we will better explain what the groups are and their purpose!

Thank you,

Carolyn Kejr -- Hospitality Ministry

months we will

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Leadership Team: Pam Kellogg, Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Jennifer Ebling, Suzanna Swenson

Pool & Patio Party

All women are invited to join in a night of food, fellowship, and fun at Lisa Christopher's home (10296 S. Hohneck Rd., Falun) for a Pool & Patio Party, 7:00 p.m., June 30. Bring a snack to share and a swimsuit and towel if you want to swim. See you there!

Eat For Retreat!

Sunday, July 23

Show support for this fall's Covenant Women Ministries Retreat! A congregational meal will be served in the Multipurpose Room on Sunday, July 23 between the 10:55 service and the Congregational Business Meeting at 1:00 p.m. A free will offering will be taken at the meal that day to help cover costs of Retreat. Encourage a woman you know to attend Retreat, September 29 - October 1 at Rock Springs Camp. This year's theme is Made for More: Telling His Story with Our Lives. "Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story." (Psalm 107:2) Contact Kristen Carlson in the church office for her stories of the many retreats she has attended and for further information on this year's events.

Multimedia Ministry

Audio and video recordings of the morning worship services are available every week. If you are absent for a Sunday or if you are home bound every Sunday, contact the church office, and we will arrange for you to receive a recording.

CD's and cassettes of the last two Sundays are kept on the shelf behind the sound control desk. There are also some on the Informa-

tion Table. If you would like to listen to one, help yourself! When you are finished with the tape, simply return it so we can recycle it. CD's are non-recyclable.

Should you wish to keep one of the recordings permanently, that is

perfectly permissible. A two-dollar donation to the Multimedia Fund will cover the cost.

DVD's of the services are available upon request. If you have any questions, please contact the church office (227-2447) or office@lindsborgcov.org.

If you have access to internet, check out our web site where you can watch archived sermons, and the services are live on the webcam every Sunday morning (www.lindsborgcov. org). Click on the "Watch Us!" button at the top of the screen.

Reflect, Renew, and Refresh Retreat
With Special Speaker and Author:
Sharon Garlough Brown

Saturday, September 16th, 2017 9:00am-3:00pm Purchase tickets through the church office for \$10

First Covenant Church Life Center
2625 E. Magnolia Road
Salina, Kansas
Childcare available with reservation

Church Office: 785-823-3792 Fccsalina.com/Ministries/Womens-Ministry Facebook.com/Reflect.Womens.Ministry Sharon Garlough Brown is the author of the Sensible Shoes series. Sharon is an ECC pastor who is now a known author and retreat speaker. Brown's books reference The Word and reflections of early practices for readers to hear and understand how our Savior relates to each person through the third person of the Trinity. It is not critical that you read the books before attending the retreat but the books lay a foundation for understanding how to deepen your life in Christ. This retreat is NOT for women only.

You are always welcome in our adult Sunday School classes! Teachers understand summer schedules and drop in participants are always a blessing. See the Information Table or the brochure rack in the Hospitality Room for a listing of classes and locations.



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POLICY ON THE USE OF THE FACILITIES

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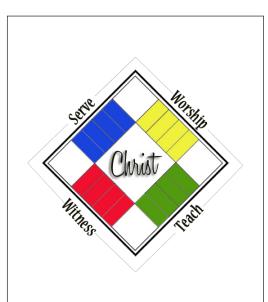
Evangelical Covenant Church is pleased and grateful to have facilities that can be used, not only by our members, but that we can share as a service to our community. In order to avoid misunderstanding, we ask that you read the following guidelines that have been set up by our Board.

- 1) Use of the building should be arranged with the church office in order to avoid conflicts in scheduling. We suggest 2 months in advance. Church functions have priority.
- 2) Members are not expected to pay for use of Church and Fellowship Center for anniversaries, family reunions, etc. There is a separate fee schedule for weddings. These may be arranged by calling the church office.
- 3) Local Scout meetings and Released Time Classes are not expected to pay; however, each of these groups is expected to respect this privilege and be conscientious in energy conservation.
- 4) Special use of the Fellowship Center and Kitchen by organized groups for fund-raising projects such as chili suppers, pancake feeds, etc., will be negotiated depending on the time involved and the nature of the event.

- 5) The person requesting use of the building must sign the BUILDING USE AGREE-MENT form and is responsible for any damages.
- 6) Reasonable amount of help in setting up and cleaning up is expected and appreciated.
- 7) Trustees have the responsibility to accept or reject any reservation request.
- 8) No alcoholic beverages are to be used on the premises. There shall be no smoking or dancing in the church building.
- 9) No sitting on tables or overloading them with heavy objects.
- 10) There must be proper supervision by adults in Fellowship Center at all times.
- 11) No property and/or equipment shall be taken from the building except for church functions or approval of the Trustee Board.



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JULY 2017 PRAYER CALENDAR

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Moms In Touch: Call Julie Waugh (227-4470) for times/locations.

Men's Prayer Group Saturday mornings at 7:00 in the Library.

Prayer Chain: To add urgent requests to the prayer chain or to participate, call the church office during the day (227-2447) or e-mail office@lindsborgcov.org. If you need it sent after hours text or call Kristen Carlson (227-5554). The Prayer Chain is intended for urgent prayer requests only. If a request is received that is not urgent it will be printed in the next weeks bulletin.

BETHANY HOME MINISTRY

2 COVENANT CEDARS CAMP

Drivers, Junior High campers, directors, counselors, safety, soft hearts for God

CAREGIVERS

3 WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen, Cheryl Spare, Caren Ebling, Eric Swenson, John Woods, Greg Peterson, Elijah Waugh

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 4

Kate Cooper, Ralph Roberts, Clark Shultz, Don Blanchat, Lori Shultz, Craig & Holly Lofton

CHURCH BOARD 5

Pray for church board meeting

6 C.E. BOARD

Keith Swenson, Nancy Bolden, Jerry Cooper, Kristi Peterson, Sharon Vaigrt, Kandis Crawford

7 DIACONATE

Judy Pilewski, Reva Esh, Vince Rocco, Calvin Carlson, Ernie Diederich, Nick Blanchat, Bob Armbruster, Neill Walker, Suzanna Swenson

8 55 + MINISTRY

Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Coordinators

9 COVENANT CEDARS AND WA SHUN GA

Drivers, campers, directors, counselors, safety throughout, life-long decisions to follow Christ

10 HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Carolyn Kejr, Marla Peterson, Kristen Carlson, Co-Chairs to be announced Pat Weibert, Carolyn Yoder

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 11 2 YRS - KINDERGARTEN

Hannah Kummer, Lynette DeVore, Mary Pywell,

Bruce & Kristi Peterson, Fannie Olsen

12 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

13 SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMIN.

Children's Sunday School Superintendent Mikaela Carlson; Attendance Secretary Howard Reece; Adult Sunday School Coordinator, Lori Shultz; Curriculum Coordinators Cheryl Spare, Shelly Carlson, Martha Roberts

14 STAFF

Pastor Jeff Waugh, Pastor Darrell Cooper, Pastor Jeremy Elseth, Kristen Carlson, Kent & Caren Ebling

15 **COVENANT WOMEN MINISTRIES**

Leadership Committee: Treasurer Pam Kellogg, Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Jennifer Ebling, Suzanna Swenson

DISCIPLERS 16

17 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Directors Abby Hinman, Lori Shultz and VBS staff—health, wisdom, and strength; children's hearts—ready for God's Word

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 18 GRADES 1-6

Marla Peterson, Nancy Bolden, Keith Swenson, John Esh, Brian & Michelle Adolf, Kathy Cooper, Micki Swenson, Amanda Houghton, Cheryl Spare, JoMae Shaw

19 **MISSIONARIES**

Paul & Sheryl Noren, C.A.R. and Congo Chervll Anderson Clark, Christian Ed., Ecuador Barbara (Boca) Swanson, Mosaics Project, Belgium Dale Lusk, Covenant Merge Ministries Roy & Joi Christians, Andrea Cooper, Bob & Carolyn Easley, Julie McLaughlin, Kara Peterson

20 MISSIONS INTEREST GROUP

Co-Chairmen Dolores Stevens & Kathy Lindgren, Secretary/Treasurer Mary Ann Johnson

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE 2.1

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen, Caren Ebling, Judy Pilewski, Jerry Hall, LoRita Doherty

22 YOUTH MISSIONS TRIP TO NASHVILLE

23 **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

God's vision, our obedience

OUR COUNTRY AND ITS LEADERS 24

25 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS GRADES 7-12

Stacey Lott, Dana Bowman, Diane Reece, Vivian Blanchat, Pastor Ieremy & Jaime Elseth, Emily Nelson

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 26

Kristen Carlson, Nursery Coordinator; Sonja Woods, Children's Church Coordinator

27 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Pastor Jeff Waugh, Pastor Darrell Cooper, Pastor Ieremy Elseth, Daniel Rauchholz, Keith Swenson, Sharon Vajgrt, Vince Rocco

STUDENT MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

Pastor Jeremy, Marla Peterson, Tracy Repp, Clark Shultz

29 SMALL GROUP LEADERS

Willard Keding, Ruth Peterson, Glen & Ann Heikes, Pastor Darrell, Harris Terry, Pastor Jeff, Lori Shultz, Delores Stevens

30 TRUSTEE BOARD

28

Dave Duncan, Daniel Rauchholz, Craig Lofton, Jean Hall, Steve Hansen, Brad Pywell

31 MEN'S MINISTRY

Brian Bowman, Coordinator

Humble yourselves before the Lord. and he will lift you up.