

# March 2018

# Life Together

# Lindsborg Covenant Church

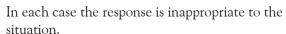
# Message from Pastor Jeff

What would you think of a doctor who, on discovering you had a tumor buried deep in your body, responded by saying, "Take two aspirin and you will be fine."?

What would you think of a fireman who responded

to a three-alarm fire by saying, "It'll probably burn itself out soon enough."?

Or how would you respond to a police officer who, on arriving at the scene of a robbery, merely shook his head and said, "Boys will be boys."?



In this season called Lent, we, as Christians, slow down long enough to consider if our response to our sin is appropriate or not. Are we making excuses for our wrong actions, thoughts and motives or are we acknowledging the hurt that we are causing to God, self and others? Are we just feeling sorry when we are confronted with our sin or are we repenting and sinning no more?

Hebrews 9:22 tells us that "...without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness." That is how seriously God takes sin. Someone had to die for you and me to have our sins forgiven. During Lent, we are reminded that Someone was Jesus Christ.

God's appropriate response to sin was to send Jesus to pay the penalty of death in our place. Our appropriate response to sin is to repent, thank God for His forgiveness, and walk in obedience to Christ.

During Lent, let's make sure that our response is appropriate to the situation.



# Results

# January 28, 2018 Congregational Meeting

Chad & Kelly Sauvage were affirmed as our delegates to the Midwest Conference Annual Meeting.

The purchase of a \$2,400 high definition video mixer was approved. This will improve the quality of our church service broadcasts. This purchase will come out of the IT fund and will have no impact on our budget.

# Adult Forum

March 4, 9:30 a.m. Adults meet in the Sanctuary

We'll share more information about Right Now Media



#### Lent

4th John 2: 13-22

11th John 3: 14-21

18th John 12: 20-33

25th John 12: 12-16

# Praise & Prayer Service

Praise and Prayer will meet this month on Sunday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. Keith Swenson leads this informal gathering in the sanctuary to sing songs, share testimonies and pray in small groups. Hope to see you there!



### **Board Bits**

From Monday, February 5, Meeting

- ▶ The Board approved the rental of a USD 400 bus to take campers to Rock Springs Camp.
- ► The church staff will receive CPR/AED training.



"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free."

March 16-18, 2018

Webster Conference Center, Salina register online

# www.encounterthecross.com

For the "Lindsborg Connection"

E-mail Micki Swenson

swensons@hometelco.net

or text (785)212-9030

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Leadership Team: Pam Kellogg, Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Suzanna Swenson, Lori Shultz, Abby Hinman

"Thank you" to the ladies who donated so generously towards the expenses of the women's Winter Retreat January 20 and 21. The speaker, Lynn Black, planted many seeds for personal growth and ideas for a mentoring program.

Salad Supper: Plans are underway for the Annual Salad Supper. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 17, 6:00. The program will be the Salemsborg Bell Ringers. It's not too soon to be thinking of whom you would like to invite.

### Mentoring Moment for Women

"When the Holy Spirit in one woman recognized and responds to the Holy Spirit in another woman, safe places become sacred spaces...In our current church culture, younger women and older women are desperate to walk through sacred spaces together." -Sophie Hudson, Giddy Up, Eunice Because Women Need Each Other

Watch for announcements of a time of mentoring together event soon!



The Church Library is arranged a little differently now. Now all Christian Fiction is still located on the East Wall and all Christian Non-

Fiction is grouped together on the South Wall. Children's Picture Books are in tubs in the Bottom Shelves of the Library. Did you know we have both books and DVD Biographies of Christian Heroes? Did you know we have Games to help you practice Hospitality? Come take a look and borrow something TODAY!

Wedding Shower Honoring

Kirsten Hansen

Saturday, April 21, 2018

9:30 a.m.

In the Multipurpose Room

Evangelical Covenant Church

The couple is registered at

Target • Zola.com

Bed, Bath & Beyond



# Junior and Senior High Camp Covenant Cedars, Nebraska

Junior High Camp................. June 24-29
For those entering grades 7 and 8 (fall 2018)
Cost: \$370 (\$330 if registered by April 1)

Senior High Camp . . . . . . . . . . June 17-22 For those entering grades 9-12 (fall 2018) Cost: \$365 (\$330 if registered by April 1)

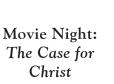
Direct questions to Jim Christopher, Camp Coordinator 785-668-2477. Please turn your registrations into the office so we can plan for transportation needs.

# **Trailblazer and Explore**r Rock Springs, Junction City

Grades 3-4 (fall 2018) . . . . . . . . . . July 9-12 Cost: Girls \$245, Boys \$200

Grades 5-6 (fall 2018) . . . . . . . . . . . July 9-13 Cost: Girls \$315, Boys \$245

The registration fee includes bus transportation. If you have questions please contact Nancy Bolden at 227-5034.





Sunday, March 18, 6:30

This movie is based on the true-life story of Lee Strobel, an investigative journalist. In working hard to disprove the growing Christian faith of his wife, he chases down the biggest story of all time—with unexpected, life-altering results!

In keeping with Movie Night tradition, there will be popcorn and pop.

Looking ahead:

April 15 - Noon Potluck

Planning Meeting - 10:00 Thursday, March 15

Room 117

There will be no HIS Kids or Youth Group on March 21 & 28 due to Spring Break and Holy Week.



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## From Gary Walter, President, The Evangelical Covenant Church

On behalf of the Evangelical Covenant Church we acknowledge with sincere gratitude your generous contributions to the mission and ministry of the Evangelical Covenant Church in 2017. We received

a total of \$70,028.18 from your church during our fiscal year 2017, including all giving. Your financial contributions, your prayers, and your engagement in mission together with other Covenant Churches has impacted thousands of lives with the Gospel. Thank You.

The ministries of your congregation, your regional conference, and the Covenant together are 3StrandStrong in mission. Together we have:

- Planted 30 new churches, and 450 churches engaged in the vitality pathways for revitalization.
- Provided over 1 million in disaster relief in Houston, Florida, California, and Puerto Rico
- Supported clean water projects in 9 countries in Africa, South America, Asia, and the Caribbean
- Provided ongoing personal and professional growth for the more than 1,800 women and me who serve as our active ministers and missionaries
- Planned for 5,000 high schoolers to attend CHIC in Tennessee this summer
- Partnered with Covenant World Relief projects in 35 countries including 9 countries in response to the global refugee crisis.
- Sent and supported 120 missionary personnel serving in 25 countries around the world
- Started CovEnterprises, Bezalel housing program, and Open-Door Immigration Services
- Provided financial leadership training and assistance in stewardship and generosity to pastors and churches

Thank you for your partnership. Together we seek to grow deeper in Christ and go further in mission for the glory of God and the extension of God's Kingdom.



Monday, April 2nd our high school student ministries is putting on "Triple Threat Basketball Camp" for students in 2-8th grade. The time is 10:00-2:30 PM in our Church gym. The cost is \$40. We would love to have your son or daughter! This is for students who have never played to students who have played for years. Money raised will help students and leaders go to CHIC this July. Flyers available March 1.



# HOLY WEEK MARCH 25 - APRIL 1, 2018





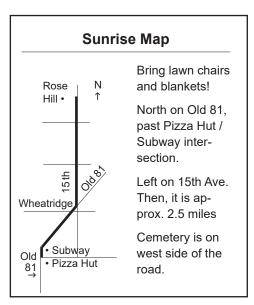
Palm Sunday, March 25, there will be regular worship services at 8:00 and 10:55, with Sunday school at 9:30. Continue your worship with the Praise & Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth will <u>not</u> meet.

Wednesday, the 28th, no HIS Kids, Junior High Youth, or Sanctuary Choir (Thursday rehearsal instead).

Maundy Thursday, the 29th, there will be a Communion Service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Sanctuary Choir meets following the service.

Good Friday: Community Worship Service at 12:15 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church. This service is sponsored by T.A.C.O.L. (The Associated Churches of Lindsborg).

Easter Sunday, the 1st, Sonrise Service at 6:00 a.m. at Rose Hill Cemetery (see sunrise map), followed by continental breakfast at the church. Festive worship services will be held at 8:00 and 10:55, with Sunday School at 9:30. No evening activities are scheduled.



# Easter Lilies

In Memory/In Honor

If you wish to place a lily in the sanctuary for Easter (April 1), you are invited to bring one to the North Kitchen by noon Thursday, March 29.

There you will find a clipboard with instructions for:

- Designating the person(s) you are honoring
- Identifying your plant

The Easter bulletin will list those being remembered, so please bring your lily to the north kitchen by Maundy Thursday noon in order to be included.

# Missions Reports

[Complete letters are posted on the Missions Bulletin Board]

# From Cheryll Clark

There are still Christmas lights on our street, so although this greeting is late, the message is timeless because of Jesus Christ our Lord!

I'm enclosing my December newsletter. Thank you for the opportunity of sharing with you in December! By the way, your prayers for Moises were answered! His job started again, so he went back to Ecuador on Sunday for three weeks! He'll be back February 9 to help me pack up. Thank you!

Thanks, too, for your support over the years, both in prayer and financially. You are a blessing to us!

# **Missions** Interest Group

Tuesday 2:00 p.m.

Ianice Loring Hostess

Devotions

# From Paul Carlson Partnership

Water is large part of many people's lives in Congo. Every day, people wake up early to go to the nearest water source, often many miles away. This is especially the case for women and girls. Usually water is collected from a



stream or river with murky but flowing water. Many communities have built small reservoirs in an attempt to make the water collection process easier, but this water is rarely clean. Animals use the water source, too, and spread disease. People sometimes bathe in the water source, not realizing they are contaminating the drinking water.

Most of the communities supported by the Congo Clinic Initiative have no access to clean drinking water, despite an abundance of rivers, marshes, and natural springs. Over the last few decades, there have been attempts to install wells and water purification systems, but these installations tend to break down and go unrepaired. Only springs coming from deep enough underground can provide clean drinking water, and this water is quickly contaminated once it reaches the surface. For these springs to provide clean, usable water, they need to be capped. This involves building a platform over the spring to harness its pressure and channel clean water through pipes. Spring capping is one way to provide clean water to communities and clinics.

We believe the best way to achieve clean water is by working through our local partners and with communities to identify problems and possible solutions. Through organized community meetings, the village clinic personnel are working with a delegation from the village that includes women, youth, religious leaders, and other representatives to discuss, teach, and assess the primary causes of health problems.

# March Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1 Joe Bowden LoRita Doherty Annabelle Jones Nicole Nichols
- 2 Iim Bean
- 3 Drew & Charity Porter Barbara Boca Swanson (Sweden)
- 5 Edragene Hart
- 7 Lynette De Vore Chloe Willis
- 8 Sandra Brunsell Robert Holloway Anna Shultz Dale Tolbert
- 9 Sandy Lloyd
- 11 Amelia Hinman Melinda Hansen
- 12 Kathryn Woods
- 13 Janine Kuckhahn
- 14 Kara Peterson
- 15 Lane Schrag Haydon Snyder
- 16 Kean Anderson Harris and Faye Terry Ianna Weldv
- 17 Miriam Crockett Jerry Cooper Mary Mattson

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- 19 Jim and Carla Bean Caren Ebling Kaylee Hansen
- 21 Blakely Bunning Ben and Savannah Carlson Jason Johnson Jarold Lindholm Lukas Spare
- 22 Ieff Waugh
- 23 Todd Butterfield 24 Ethan Grimmett
- 25 Kirsten Hansen Wyatt Johnson

- 26 Kiara Heizelman Judy Pilewski
- 27 Tracie Elvin Roonev Nichols
- 28 Amenda Huse
- 29 Mark and Nancy Galloway **Jeff and Deb Garretson**
- 30 Jessica Smith Warren Hett
- 31 Lisa Christopher

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

Thanks!



Daylight Savings Begins March 11

# This Is Sunday Night

For March, 6:30

- 4th Fellowship Groups (sign-up on the Information Table)
- 11th The Station, College Ministry at 6:00
- 18th 55+ Movie Night Hospitality Night (no service planned at church, but you are encouraged to use this evening for your own hospitality ministry)
- 25th Praise & Praver

March 20

Church Library

Mary Ann Johnson



# THANKS



### From David, Marla, Greg, Nathan, Kendal, and Laura Peterson

The family of Alice Lund (mother of Marla Peterson) would like to express our sincere thanks for all the ways our church family has been caring for us during our unexpected time of loss. We really appreciate the support of all who attended the service, all who sent cards/food/visits or expressed your sympathy to us via facebook or any other way. Marla especially appreciated those who covered for her during the fundraiser meal. We so appreciate everything you are doing to help us through our time of grief. When I think back on good memories of my Mom, many of them are when Mom and Dad came to our church to see our children's baptisms, programs, Confirmation Sundays etc. They always enjoyed visiting Lindsborg Covenant and you all were a part of making them feel welcome here. We are truly blessed to call you our church family.

### From Jane (Carlson) Allison

My heart is full of thanksgiving for you, dear friends. Your desire to come alongside me in supporting The Dan Carlson Clinic in Congo has been very healing for my broken heart indeed! The Paul Carlson Partnership Clinic Initiative is such a wonderful way to honor so many who love and serve Jesus with all their heart, mind and soul, abandoning all else. In Him,

## From Ruth Trued

Thank you to my Pastors and friends for the prayers, cards and visits. I really appreciate it!

### From Kade Blanchat

Thank you for the Confirmation Bible. I really like it and will get much use out of it.

# From Mark & Peggy Weddle

This is very late, but it should never be too late to say thank you for many and persistent prayers of yours for Peggy and I during our battle with cancer. Two years ago I was given maybe a year to live, but today I'm well. I'm completely back to a full life, and I'm exceedingly grateful! We had SO many wonderful believers praying for us that it was simply overwhelming! Your church family was so faithful to lift us up and we WERE lifted up knowing of your care for us. While we felt our treatment choice was great, we know that the Lord is the Great Physcian and the fervent prayer of His people "Avails Much"!

Thank you for blessing us by praying and by encouraging our family during these times. We can honestly say we're glad we had this opportunity to see the mighty hand of God and the incredible impact of His people in our lives.

I would add that many doors have been opened to us because of this. We pray He would make us faithful to use what he's shown us! Thank you all so very much.

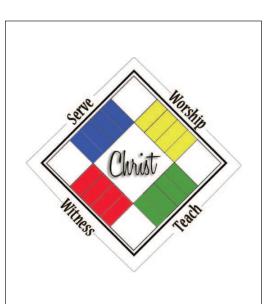


Please note the following changes on your church directory:

- · Hall, Jerry & Jean, 210 Courtenay Ave, Pass Christian MS 39571
- · Keding, Willard, New phone #822-7158
- Radatz Ed: 227-5016, Jane: 227-5015

**April Newsletter Deadline** Monday, March 12

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
$M\epsilon$	March 2018	81		1 2:30 B. Home Coffee	2	3 7:00 Men's Prayer 9:00 Confirmation
4 8:00 Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 9:30 Adult Forum 10:55 Worship 2:30 Galloway Shower 6:30 Fellowship Grps 6:30 Sr Hi Youth	5 7:00 Individual Bds 8:15 Church Board	9	7 5:00 Children's Choir 6:00 Supper 6:30 HIS Kids 6:30 Jr HI Youth 6:30 Bible Study 7:45 Sanctuary Chr	8 2:30 B. Home Coffee	6	10 7:00 Men's Prayer
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25 8:00 Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 10:55 Worship 6:30 Praise & Prayer 6:30 Sr Hi Youth	26	27	28 10:00 Women's Bible Fellowship	29 2:30 B. Home Coffee 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service 7:45 Sanctuary Chr	30 12:15 Good Friday Service @ Messiah Church	31



### MARCH 2018 PRAYER CALENDAR

#### PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

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. For urgent requests 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.

#### 1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

#### 2 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

For the new quarter of classes - Pastor Jeff, Ralph Roberts, Craig & Holly Lofton, Micki Swenson, Don Blanchat

#### 3 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Kade Blanchat, Karlee Bowles, Seth Garretson, Ethan Grimmett, Kellon Johnson, Isaac Nichols, Lydia Peterson, Marika Peterson, Lena Rauchholz, Kathryn Woods

#### 4 JR/SR HIGH YOUTH STAFF

Youth Sunday today - Pastor Jeremy, Jaime Elseth, Meagan De Vore, Micah Waugh, Kurt Krehbiel, Steve Hansen. Caleb Shaw, Greg Peterson, Nathan Peterson, Emily Nelson, Suzanna Swenson, Anna Waugh

#### 5 CHURCH BOARD

Pray for church board meeting

#### 6 CAREGIVERS

#### 7 WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

Jodi Duncan, Ed & Jane Radatz, Reva & John Esh, Mikaela Carlson, Pam Kellogg, Daniel & Penny Rauchholz, Hannah Kummer, Mark & Stacey Lott, Kristi Peterson, Chris & Sarah Lohrey, Jeff & Julie Waugh, Norman & Kathy Peterson, Howard Reece, Sarah Carlson, Kate Cooper, Kristen Carlson, Warren & Marilyn Hett, Martha Hett, Barb Wilson, Caren Ebling, Jennifer Ebling, Russ & Jamie Weibert, Mike & LoRita Doherty

#### KIDS CHOIR

LaReta Olson, Amanda Houghton

#### 8 55+ MINISTRY

Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Coordinators

#### 9 C.E. BOARD

Keith Swenson, Nancy Bolden, Kristi Peterson, Sharon Vajgrt, Fannie Olsen, Kurt Krehbiel

#### TRUSTEE BOARD

Daniel Rauchholz, Craig Lofton, Jim Christopher, Steve Hansen, Brad Pywell, Chad Sauvage

# 10 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS GRADES 1-6

Suzanna Swenson, Jeff Garretson, Keith Swenson, John Esh, Edragene Hart, Kelly White, Kathy Cooper, Emily Power, Kristi Peterson, Stacy Lott, Amanda Houghton, Cheryl Spare, JoMae Shaw

#### 11 THE STATION

For the students to come and take the message to heart

#### 12 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

#### 13 COVENANT WOMEN MINISTRIES

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

#### 14 WEEKDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

Eileen Patrick & Mary Patrick, coordinators, and all their teachers

#### 15 BETHANY HOME MINISTRY

#### 16 DIACONATE

Judy Pilewski, Reva Esh, Vince Rocco, Nick Blanchat, Bob Armbruster, Neill Walker, Suzanna Swenson, David Peterson, Russ Weibert

#### 17 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS GRADES 7-12

Martha Roberts, Marla Peterson, Pete Duerksen, Steve Hansen, Pastor Jeremy & Jaime Elseth, Emily Nelson, Clark Shultz

#### 18 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

#### 19 MEN'S MINISTRY

Brian Bowman, Coordinator

#### 20 MISSIONS INTEREST GROUP

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

#### 21 WORSHIP LEADERS

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

#### WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen, Caren Ebling, Judy Pilewski, Jerry Hall, Sharon Schrag

#### 22 MISSIONARIES

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

#### 23 OUR COUNTRY AND ITS LEADERS

#### 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

#### 25 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 2 YRS - KINDERGARTEN

Hannah Kummer, Amenda Huse, Lynette DeVore, Mary Pywell, Joe Vajgrt, Bruce Peterson, Ruth Houghton, Nancy Walker

#### 26 SMALL GROUP LEADERS

Willard Keding, Ruth Peterson, Pastor Darrell, Harris Terry, Pastor Jeff, Lori Shultz, Delores Stevens

#### 27 STUDENT MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

Pastor Jeremy, Marla Peterson, Tracy Repp, Clark Shultz

#### 28 STAF

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Pastor Jeff Waugh, Pastor Darrell Cooper, Pastor Jeremy Elseth, Kristen Carlson, Caren Ebling, Keith Swenson

#### 29 HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Carolyn Kejr, Marla Peterson, Kristen Carlson, Mary Pywell, Kim Rodgers Pat Weibert, Carolyn Yoder, Funeral Lunches

#### SCRIPTURE READERS/USHERS

#### 31 MIDWEST CONFERENCE STAFF

