

## September 2018

# Life Together

### Lindsborg Covenant Church

## Message from Pastor Jeff Swede Sunday

All year, our church has been talking about, and practicing, hospitality. This is one of the tools that God has given His people to love people inside and outside the Church. Throughout the year we have focused our hospitality ministry at many different demographics. This month, we are strategically targeting Bethany College

students.

For the first several Sundays of the school year each church in town has the chance to host the Bethany College students, welcoming them to Lindsborg, and inviting them to church. Our designated Sunday is Sep-

tember 23rd. On that day, our "Swede Sunday," we will not only be hospitable as we worship with the Bethany students, but we are going to have a potluck at noon for the whole church and all the Bethany students who come to church that day. The church will provide the meat. We are asking all of you to come and bring a large side dish and/or dessert.

After the meal, we want to have a raffle where Bethany students can win prizes specifically from our congregation. An example might be something like a "meal for four Bethany students" at your home (another chance for hospitality!). Or, if you would rather, you could just make up a gift

basket or provide a gift card from a local business (Scotts, The Blacksmith Shop, etc...) If you would like to donate a prize for this raffle, contact Kathy Peterson (785-472-1821).

On "Swede Sunday" be sure to wear your Bethany college shirts or sweatshirts if you have them

(or just blue and yellow colors if you don't have Bethany paraphernalia). And, like you always do anyway, be especially good hosts to the Bethany students on Swede Sunday. Initiate greetings, sit with the students, and get to know these young people who need a church home while they are in Lindsborg.

### Sunday School Promotion and Adult Forum

September 2, 9:30 a.m.

All—Adults and Children,
(Kindergarten and up,
preschoolers may go to their classroom)
meet in the Sanctuary for
presentation of 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders Bibles and
Sunday School Promotion
Adults will stay and learn what's
coming up this Fall.

### Operation Christmas Child

For the month of September, we are requesting socks, all sizes, boys and girls. We are also requesting



flip flops and canvas shoes. Even though specific items are requested, please feel free to donate any and all items. There are wonderful sales going on right now. For whatever you contribute, we most grateful. Financial

gifts are welcome and appreciated. Please pray bout your participation in this ministry. Help share the Good News of Jesus Christ!

### Praise and Prayer Service

Sunday, September 30, 6:30 p.m.

"I like just praising God."

Come join us for an hour of a variety of music and a time of prayer at another Praise and Prayer night, Sunday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m. Together, "Let's just praise the Lord."



### **Board Bits**

From Monday, August 6, Meeting

- ► Kendal & Caelan Peterson will lead *The* Station this year. Their first meeting will be August 26.
- ► HIS Kids begins September 5 with no carnival this year.
- ▶ Swede Sunday is September 23.



### September

2nd Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

9th Mark 7: 24-37

16th Mark 8: 27-38

23rd Mark 9: 30-37

30th Mark 9: 38-50

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4-year olds through 6th grade Kick-off is Wednesday, September 5th Meal starts at 6:00 Classes are 6:30 to 7:30

Registration forms are on the Information Table and will be available that night.



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Begins Wednesday, September 5, 7:40 - 9:00 p.m. in the choir loft

"Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise in the congregation of the godly ones. (Psalm 149:1)

# Hymn Sing Sunday, September 16

6:30

Charles Wesley wrote over 6,500 hymns. Ruth

Peterson and Warren Hett will judiciously lead us through some of our favorites. Join us for a "Joyful Noise to the Lord," whether you sing like a nightingale or a crow. The same God made them, and He likes to hear them both.

If you can provide a dessert, please sign up at Information Table or contact Ruth Ann Leaf (227-2277).

Note time is changed back to 6:30. (no movie)

### Excursion

Thursday, September 20

An excursion to the William Allen White house in Emporia is planned for Thursday, September 20. We will leave at 11:00, have lunch in Cottonwood Falls, and tour the house in the afternoon. Please sign up at Information Table if you would like to go.

Next Month: Potluck for Pastor Appreciation on Sunday, October 14

Planning Meeting - 10:00 Thursday, September 13 Room 117



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

### Mother-Son Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, September 9, 2:30 p.m.

The Mother-Son Scavenger Hunt will be held Sunday, September 9 at 2:30. Meet in the church library to receive instructions.

Please bring:

a camera

a topping for ice cream sundae

Grandmother-grandson groups are welcome also.

In a spirit of friendly competition, come for the Adventure of a Scavenger Hunt, and stay for the Conquest of Ice Cream Sundaes.

### Offerfest

Sunday, October 21, 6:30 p.m.

The annual Offerfest, October 21, will feature a variety show and a basket auction. Contact Lori Shultz if you have a talent to share and start planning those baskets.

### Missions Interest Group

Tuesday, September 18 2:00 p.m.

Church Library

Marilyn Hett, Hostess Darleen Power, Devotions

### Women's Ministries Retreat

October 5-7

Rock Springs Ranch

Worship is... the road to life.

All women are invited to join us October 5-7 at Rock Springs for Women's Retreat!

This year's theme on worship features artist Alisa Turner, whose brand new album Miracle or Not is anchored by the lyrics "I know that You love me, miracle or not," a purposeful choice for Turner who battles chronic pain due to Lyme Disease. She knows the peace and love of God through every struggle and chooses to praise Him all the more. We are excited to have Alisa join us for retreat to share her story, teach about worship, and share songs that the Lord has placed on her heart.

In addition to hearing from Alisa, four women will be sharing short "Cov Talks" on four aspects of the Worship ROAD: Reverence, Obedience, Adoration, and Devotion. Our church's Suzanna Swenson will be one of those sharing – and she would appreciate your friendly faces at Retreat, your prayers, or both!

Sign up information is available at the information table and registration by September 15 is appreciated to help with housing assignments. Questions? Contact Marla Peterson or Suzanna Swenson.

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### All You Ever Wanted to Know About Church Supplies—

The church has a wonderful array of supplies available for all-church use in the room marked "C.E. Office" which adjoins the church office. It has storage all around the room with a large counter in the center for work space.

This treasure trove of supplies serves not only for Sunday School and HIS Kids teachers and helpers, but for any church-related activities. Here are some of the available resources, along with Protocol.

### Supply Cabinets (about 60 boxes of C.E. supplies) \*

Boxes 1-9	Teacher / Classroom (white board supplies
	staplers)

Boxes 10-26 Student supplies (scissors, crayons, glue)

Boxes 27-59 Craft items (felt, magnets, pipe cleaners)

#### Additional:

Large boxes located in cabinet to the left of the photocopier (glitter, paint, stamping)

\* Can't find something? See alpha list posted on bulletin board (on north side of supply cabinet).

Box number? See listing posted on south side of supply cabinet.

#### Protocol:

These boxes

need to stay

in their slots at all times. Take out the items you need, but please leave the box in its place.

If a box is getting empty, please use the blue slips hanging on the bulletin board to alert the Sunday School Supply Committee.

If a particular item is permanently needed for your classroom, please note that on a blue slip hanging on the bulletin board.

### —and More

Are you on a committee to prepare for a church event?

# "Office In a Box" (OIB) is your friend!

- Locate in C.E. Office, south wall, bottom cabinet
- Move it to your location
- Unpack the box so you can access everything (from sticky notes to pliers to clipboards)
- Use as needed
- Return to C.E. Office
- If anything is missing, please leave a note for the church secretary.

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Howdy all... I trust all had a good summer and for you parents out there I know how exciting the beginning of school can be. For many this is a big transition depending on what stage of life your children are in. Know that we are praying for you and your children. We have a Covenant Car Care coming up on October 13. This is a great event for fathers and sons... Please join us if you are able and if you desire to bless someone in our community with a car service there will be announcements forthcoming.

There are two Encounter the Cross Men's events upcoming; September 7th through the 9th and October 26th through the 28th. If you are interested in deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ, please sign up at: http://www.encounterthecross.com/men or contact any of the pastors or church leaders, scholarships are available. There is also a Women's Encounter which is October 5th through the 7th, if you know someone interested in attending a Women's Encounter you can direct them to http://www.encounterthecross.com/women.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. --Romans 15:13

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. -- Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)



Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. is *See You At The Pole* (SYATP). SYATP is an ecumenical student-led prayer event that happens once a year around the high school flagpole. It is not a rally and is not denominational. It is prayer. Students pray for each other, their school, their community and their world. Please pray for them as they gather on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Congregational representatives on the Worship & Music Committee are Sharon Schragforthe



8:00 a.m. service and Vivian Blanchat for the 10:55 a.m. service. If you have feedback to share you may contact one of these people.

### Missions Reports

### From KICY Radio, Nome, Alaska

When I am asked how we know KICY is having an impact I think of CareForce. In the past week I, personally, have fielded calls from people asking prayer for their children and grandchildren, alcohol and drug over-use, grief due to suicide and natural causes, physical ailments, work needed, and more.

As I have prayed over the phone with each one (requests come in round the clock, not just during the show) I have been reminded again and again what a great God we serve. He is able to meet all our needs, to comfort and strengthen, to encourage and empower. And sometimes He uses others to remind us of that.

Almost every request that comes in also includes a prayer of thanksgiving for KICY and the opportunity to share needs. It is never a burden to stop what I am doing to pray with someone over the phone, nor is it a burden for other staff members to do the same. In fact, I count it a privilege and am humbled that so many trust us with their deepest desires and needs. Thank you to all the pastors who participate in CareForce. Your ministry through the air waves touches many more than you will ever know.

Prayer requests: That God would raise up one year volunteers for the station.

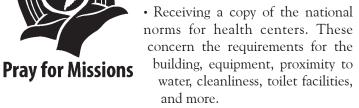
The Fall Salmon Dinner Tour begins September 27. Pray for safe travel and fruitful sharing of the ministry of KICY.

Praise God: For all who support KICY in prayer, with finances, and as volunteers. For the abundant harvest of fish and berries.

### From Covenant Kids Congo

One of the initiatives of Covenant Kids Congo powered by World Vision is to train up Citizen Advocacy Groups. Covenant Kids Congo only started training the first Citizen Advocacy Group in 2017. The group was trained to recognize and assess issues within their neighborhoods and then

prepare them for presentation to the local authorities. They reported the following:



- The group compared two health centers to the national norms, taking pictures where appropriate.
- •They then prepared a report, which was presented to the Minister of Health for the South-Ubangi province, the medical head of the Gemena health zone, other government health authorities, and the local neighborhood leaders.

The response of the government authorities was to toss out former reports and demand that changes take place. Immediately the local neighborhood leaders decided to take action to improve the bathing area and toilets for the health centers in question.

Since the history of the DR Congo has included much oppression, there has not been great precedence for citizen advocacy.

As Citizen Advocacy Groups are trained and multiplied, they have great potential to create positive change in their neighborhoods. I celebrate the government leaders' response to this group's initial report and look forward to hearing about more activities and solutions.



#### From Covenant Women

Thanks to all who ate at the Covenant Women fund-raiser meal on July 22. Thanks to all who helped with the preparation, serving and clean up also! We appreciate you all!

### From Pregnancy Service Center

Thank you so much for your participation in our "Change for Life" baby bottle campaign. Your ministry raised \$2,450.23 toward our goal of \$30,000! A total of \$30,027.24 has been given so far! We are thankful for the partnership we have with you to encourage "life, healing, and purity" in our community.



### College Ministry

8:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

August 26	Kickoff, Galatians Ch. 1
September 9	Galatians Ch. 2
September 30	Galatians Ch. 3
October 14	Galatians Ch. 4
October 28	7:00 p.m. Meal & hangout
	following Fall Break
November 11	Galatians Ch. 5
December 2	Galatians Ch. 6
December 9	7:00 p.m. Study Break -
	food & games

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

### Women's Bible Fellowship

Begins Wednesday, September 5 at 9:45 a.m. in the Church Library

### Covenant Car Care

Saturday, October 13 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sign-up sheet for appointments will be on the Information Table.



Please note the following changes on your church directory:

- Reece, Howard & Diane, no longer using 227-8979. Howard - 906-0479, Diane - 906-0480
- Mary Heidbreder is at Riverview Estates, Room #6, in Marquette. She'd love visitors!
- Add Claire Quinn Schwindt, born August 12 to Jeff & Amanda
- Add Charles Michael Hinman, born August 21 to Philip & Abby Hinman

October Newsletter Deadline September 17

### September Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 2 Dave and Sharon Schrag
- 3 Steve and Melinda Hansen
- 5 Branden Call
  Darline Cummings
  Jim Tillberg
- 6 Brian and Michelle Adolf Kevin Fisher
- 7 Jay Perry
- 8 Deb Garretson

Carrie Ahlenius

Chris Lohrey

Zachary Lott

Paul and Sheryl Noren (Congo)

Craig Roebke

Jaden Schwindt

Keith Swenson

10 Jason and Lynette De Vore

Jordyn Elseth

Hank & Hannah Kummer Jay and Suzette Perry

11 Sophia Peterson

- 12 Mary Ann Johnson
  - Lisa Smith

Richard and Barbara Wilson

- 13 Anna Reece
- 14 John Woods
- 16 Mac Fisher
- 17 Jaime Elseth Kristin Nelson
- 18 Bruce Peterson
- 20 Rande and Tracy Repp

22 Brycten Call Norman Yoder

23 Sara Lusk

Marshall Lohrey
25 Aaron and Emily Power
Kim Rodgers

- 26 Mikaela Johnson
  Hank Kummer
  Kristina Peterson (in memory)
  Telea Peterson
- 27 Nathan Peterson Ed Radatz
- 28 Brandon Krehbiel
- 29 Pat and Kandis Crawford
- 30 Ruth Houghton

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

Thanks!



# This Is Sunday Night For September, 6:30

16th 55+ Hymn Sing

23rd Hospitality Night (no service planned at church, but you are encouraged to use this evening for your own hospitality ministry)

30th Praise & Prayer Service

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 8:00 Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 10:55 Worship	3 Office Closed	4	5 9.45 Women's Bible Fellowship 6:00 Supper 6:30 HIS Kids 6:30 Jr High 6:30 Adult Bible Study 7.45 Sanct Choir	6 2.30 Bethany Hm Coffee	7	1 7:00 am Men's Prayer 8 7:00 am Men's Prayer
9 8:00 Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 10:55 Worship 2:30 CWM Scavenger Hunt 6:30 Sr High 8:00 The Station	10 7:00 Ind Boards 8:15 Church Board	11	12 6:00 Supper 6:30 HIS Kids 6:30 Jr High 6:30 Adult Bible Study 7:45 Sanct Choir	13 10:00 55+ Planning 2:30 Berhany Hm Coffee	14	15 7:00 am Men's Prayer
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### SEPTEMBER 2018 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.

#### 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

#### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 2

Holly and Craig Lofton, Ernie Diederich, Conley Nichols, Micki Swenson, Neill Walker, Don Blanchat, Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell & Kate Cooper

#### **CAREGIVERS** 3

#### 4 C.E. BOARD

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

#### 5 HIS KIDS

Pastor Jeff, Kristen Carlson, Jodi Duncan, Barb Wilson, Tracy Repp, Jennifer Tillberg, Sharon Harrell, Mike & LoRita Doherty, Debbie Johnson, Russ & Jamie Weibert, Martha Hett, Jacob Rathlef, Howard Reece, Joseph Carbonneau, Warren Hett, Elijah Waugh, Adam Tillberg, Veronika Huse, Sarah Carlson, Ed & Jane Radatz, Mikaela Carlson, Kristi Peterson, Chris & Sarah Lohrey, Pam Kellogg, Joe & Sharon Vajgrt, Julie Waugh, Vivian Blanchat, Kathy Peterson

#### 6 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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

#### 7 COVENANT WOMEN MINISTRIES

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

#### 8 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Nursery & Children's Church teachers & helpers, Kristen Carlson, Nursery Coordinator

#### 9 THE STATION

Kendal & Caelan Peterson

#### **CHURCH BOARD** 10

Pray for church board meeting

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

#### 11 DIACONATE

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

#### 12 WEEKDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

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

#### 55+ MINISTRY 13

Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Coordinators

#### SCRIPTURE READERS/USHERS 14

#### 15 IR/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUPS

Pastor Jeremy and the Start up of programming for the vear.

#### WORSHIP LEADERS 16

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen, Cheryl Spare, Caren Ebling, Keith Swenson, Greg Peterson, Elijah Waugh, Micah Waugh, Iim Tillberg

#### 17 MIDWEST CONFERENCE STAFF

#### 18 MISSIONS INTEREST GROUP

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

#### WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE 19

Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen, Caren Ebling, Judy Pilewski, Sharon Schrag, Vivian Blanchat

#### 20 BETHANY HOME MINISTRY

#### 21 MISSIONARIES

Paul & Shervl 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

#### MEN'S MINISTRY 22

Brian Bowman, Coordinator

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 23 2 YRS - KINDERGARTEN

Lynette DeVore, Mary Pywell, Joe Vajgrt, Bruce Peterson, Ruth Houghton, Nancy Walker

### SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS

GRADES 7-12

Marla Peterson, Diane Reece, Jodi Duncan, Pastor Jeremy & Jaime Elseth, Ashley Losey

#### STEPMC PROGRAM 24

#### SMALL GROUP LEADERS 25

Willard Keding, Ruth Peterson, Pastor Darrell, Harris Terry, Pastor Jeff, Lori Shultz, Delores Stevens, Suzanna Swenson, Micki Swenson, Keith Swenson, Pete Duerksen

#### **STAFF**

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

#### STUDENT MINISTRIES COMMITTEE 27

Pastor Jeremy, Marla Peterson, Tracy Repp, Clark Shultz

#### 28 TRUSTEE BOARD

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

#### 29 OUR COUNTRY AND ITS LEADERS

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 30 **GRADES 1-6**

Suzanna Swenson, Kristi Peterson, Keith Swenson,

Josh Johannsen, Kelly White, Edragene Hart, Kathy Cooper, Stacey Lott, Kendal & Caelan Peterson, Cheryl Spare, Jody Heizelman



LET THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH

——AND THE-

**MEDITATION OF** BE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU.

MY REDEEMER

**PSALM 19:14, NRSV** 

