#### **Church Caretakers:**

This Week: Wayne & Bernie Christiansen Next Week: Shirley Koski & Barb Knapper

### Pray for:

Military personnel: Sarah Skogman, Grace Koski Area Fire Departments



Harvest Community is a shared journey of being transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Christ, experiencing and expressing love for God and others.

# First Covenant Church of Virginia, MN

The mission of First Covenant Church is to WORSHIP God,
EQUIP people to live in faith,
SHARE God's love, and
SERVE the community around us.

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# **Worship Celebration**

March 6, 2022 9:30 am
First Sunday in Lent

The one who led the Israelites into a land flowing with milk and honey, the one who ministered to Jesus in the wilderness, cares for us today in times of trial.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Pastor: When disasters strike, where can we go?

People: God is always there.

Pastor: When enemies surround us, whom can we trust?

People: Christ is always with us.

Pastor: When life is hard, who can ease the load? People: The Spirit is always there to sustain us.

Pastor: Come! Let us worship the God of our salvation.

Hymn 408 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

**Opening Prayer** 

Reading of God's Word

First Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (Pew Bible pg. 149) Second Lesson Romans 10:8-13 (Pew Bible pg. 864)

Silence for Reflection

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings Doxology 48

Pastoral Prayer\*\*

Song Father, I Adore You

Father

Jesus I adore You. Lay my life before You, how I love you.

Spirit

Sermon Luke 4:1-13 (Pew Bible pg. 785)

Such a Hindrance

Holy Communion

Preparation for the Table

Confession of Sin and Words of Assurance

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, but what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not love you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen

Words of Institution
Prayer of Consecration
Sharing the Bread and Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn 377

Take Time to Be Holy

Challenge.... Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face to shine upon you And be gracious, gracious, gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you And give you, give you, give you peace.

Postlude

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Ushers: Shirley Koski

Technical Assistance: Roger Johnston Scripture Readers: Roger Linden

\*\*For Pastoral Prayer, you are invited to offer a prayer request or prayer praise. To do this, please write out your request/praise on a slip of paper provided in the pews (chairs). Then place them in the offering plate at the time of the Offering to be given to the pastor for prayer.

### For the Week of March 6, 2022

Sun 10:30am Coffee and Conversation

11:00am Covenant Clusters - Video Series:

"Walk as Jesus Walked"

Wed 5:30pm Confirmation

6:30pm Council Meeting

Sat Time of move your clocks ahead one hour as

Daylight Saving Time begins.

# Next Sunday - March 13, 2022

9:30am Worship Celebration 10:30am Coffee and Conversation 11:00am Covenant Cluster Ushers: Wayne & Bernie Christiansen

Technical Assistance: Bob Nelson

## **Coming Events**

Mar 15 6:30pm Going to Pieces Quilters Mar 22 1:00pm Salvation Army Dinner

Mar 27 9:30pm Update from CPBC – Dane Strom, Program Director



March is Food Shelf Month. There is a box at the top of the stairs in the front entry where you may leave your donations of non-perishable food items. Any checks should be made out to the Quad Cities Food Shelf.

If you would like to supply a treat for coffee time after worship, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.

At this time, given the recommendation from St Louis County Board of Health, we are encouraging the recommendation of people to wear masks in the church building.