Notes:

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

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First Covenant Church

Welcome to our church! May you know the joy of salvation, which is ours through Jesus Christ and that through the warmth of our fellowship you may grow in God's grace and love.

Worship Celebration

October 23, 2022 9:30am Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

From Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

My heart longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord.

O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield;

he bestows favor and honor,

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness

Hymn #520

"Open Now Your Gates of Beauty"

Opening Prayer

Reading of God's Word

First Lesson Psalm 65 (Pew Bible pg. 436) Second Lesson Luke 18 : 9-14 (Pew Bible pg. 801)

Silence for Reflection

Giving of our Tithes and Offering

Doxology 48

Morning Prayer**

Hymn #354 "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

Message

"The Gospel of Jesus" Mike Hannay

Hymn #350 "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners"

Challenge...Blessing

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

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

Postlude

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Worship Leader: Julie Phaneuf-Hill Scripture Reader: Brian Hill

Ushers: Roger & Gail Johnston

The 4th Quarter of The Covenant Home Altar is available in the narthex.

Today

10:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation

This Week

Tuesday, 1:00 pm— Salvation Army Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Church Council

Sunday, October 23rd

9:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Rev. Randy Swenson, preaching We will receive a retiring offering for KICY, the Covenant radio station in Nome Alaska Ushers: Wayne & Bernie Christiansen 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation 11:00 a.m. Church Quarterly Business Meeting 2:00 p.m. Service at Waterview Pines

Coming Events

Sunday, November 6th Daylight Savings Time Ends Tuesday, November 8th, Election Day

Christ's Body in Action

Church caretakers:

This week: Shirley Koski & Barb Knapper Next Week: Russ & Stephanie Carlson

Pray for:

Military personnel: Sarah Skogman, Grace Koski Area Public Safety personnel

^{**} For the Morning Prayer, you are invited to offer a prayer request or praise item. To do this, please write out your request on a slip of paper provided in the pew rack. Then place it in the offering plate as the offering is taken.