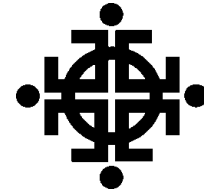


Notes:



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

January 1, 2023

9:30am

First Sunday after Christmas

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Christ is born

Hope and joy and peace are born.

God is born a person

Persons can be born again.

No wonder the angels sang.

Let us celebrate the birth of our Lord!

*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.*

Hymn #148

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Opening Prayer

Reading of God's Word

First Lesson Isaiah 63: 7-9

(Pew Bible pg. 573)

Second Lesson Matthew 2: 13-23

(Pew Bible pg. 738)

Silence for Reflection

Giving of our Tithes and Offering

Doxology #48

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Morning Prayer**

Hymn #179 "O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful"

Message Linda Freeman

Service of Holy Communion

Hymn #179 "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Hymn #151 "In the Bleak Midwinter"

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: Roger Linden
Scripture Reader: Andrew Babbini

** 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.

Christmas greeting from Pastor Roger and Marjean, Pastor Dennis and Mary and Ken and Linda Pogorelec are posted on the bulletin board next to the church office.

Today

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
11:00 a.m. Discussion of this morning's sermon

This Week

Tuesday, 12:00 p.m. Ladies Lunch at Saigon Café
Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Covenant Park Annual Meeting at
Gethsemane Covenant, Duluth

Next Sunday, January 8th

9:30 a.m. Worship Celebration
Rebecca LeMenger preaching
10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation
11:00 a.m. Adult Christian Education
Ushers: Brian & Julie Hill

Coming Events

Wednesday, January 11th 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Search Committee

Caretakers this week: Shirley Koski & Barb Knapper

Caretakers next week: Russ & Stephanie Carlson

Pray for:

Military personnel: Sarah Skogman, Grace Koski,
Area Public Service personnel.