Notes:

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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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 8, 2023 9:30am First Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Isaiah 60:1,3

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you, Nations shall come to this light, And kings to the brightness of his dawn. 0zq

Hymn #193

"I Think of That Star of Long Ago"

Opening Prayer

Reading of God's Word

First Lesson Acts 10: 34-43 (Pew Bible pg. 840) Second Lesson Matthew 2: 1-12 (Pew Bible pg. 738)

Silence for Reflection

Giving of our Tithes and Offering

Doxology #48

Morning Prayer**

Challenge...Blessing

Hymn #192 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

"Gifts for the Christ Child" Message

Rebecca LeMenager

Today

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation

11:00 a.m. Adult Christian Education: Philippians 1

This Week

Hymn #196 "What Star Is This with Beams So Bright" Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Search Committee

Next Sunday, January 15th

The Lord bless you and keep you. 9:30 a.m. Worship Celebration 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: Mary Nelson Ushers: Brian & Julie Hill

** 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.

Rev. John Cowan preaching 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Conversation Ushers: Roger & Gail Johnston 11:00 a.m. Adult Christian Education: Philippians 2

Coming Events

Tuesday, January 17th 9:30 a.m. Project Day Wednesday, January 18th 6:30 p.m. Church Council

Caretakers this week: Russ & Stephanie Carlson

Caretakers next week: Brian & Julie HIII

Pray for:

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