



Notes:

Birthdays in August

August 30 - Linda Pogorelec

Birthdays in September

September 8 - Ralph Ainsworth
September 8 - Kate Barnes
September 14 - Shirley Koski
September 24 - Andrew Branstrom

Ushers for the month of September

September 8 - Roger Linden
September 15 - Brian & Julie Hill
September 22 - Roger & Gail Johnston
September 29 - Bernie Christiansen

Caretakers for the month of September

September 8 - Jeffrey & Heather Jones
September 15 - Mike & Kathy Hannay
September 22 - Roger Linden
September 29 - Lucas & Cassie Hill

*The mission of First Covenant Church is to WORSHIP God,
EQUIP people to live in faith,
SHARE God's love,
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

August 25, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship Psalm 34:18-19, 21-22 (NIV)

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted;

And saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The righteous person may have many troubles;

But the Lord delivers him from them all.

Evil will slay the wicked;

The foes of the righteous will be condemned.

The Lord will rescue his servants;

No one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

*Hymn #500

"Now Before You, Lord We Gather"

Opening Prayer

Reading of God's Word:

First Lesson: Psalm 84

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Second Lesson: John 6:63-69

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Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #48

Morning Prayer

Hymn #318

“We Come, O Christ, to You”

Message: “The Gifts and Calling of God”

*Hymn #614

“Christ, You Call Us All to Service”

*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, give you peace.

Postlude

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Scripture Reader: Mary Nelson

Worship Leader: Jeffrey Jones

Ushers: Bob & Mary Nelson

Accompanist: Digital Hymnal

Today

10:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation

This Week

Tuesday, August 27, 12:45 p.m. Salvation Army

August 29-31, Final YFC Peach Fundraiser

Next Sunday, September 1st

Services are canceled (Labor Day weekend). We have been invited

ALL CHURCH SERVICE

Sunday, September 1st, 2024

Minnesota Discovery Center

Fellowship, 10:00 a.m.

Worship, 11:00 a.m.

Iron Range Renewal mission: *“Awakening the Church regionally through prayer and worship; renewing our commitment to Jesus Christ.”*

Caretakers this week: Linda Skogman, Russ & Steph Carlson

Caretakers next week: None needed

Ushers Next Week: None needed

Coming Events:

Tuesday, September 3, noon - Ladies' Lunch at Little Gourmet Deli

Sunday, September 8th, 9:30 a.m. - Communion

11:00 - Adult Study begins

Wednesday, September 11th, 6:30 p.m. - Church Council

September 13-15, Women's Retreat at CPBC

School supplies are now on sale - time to be thinking of Operation Christmas Child. Needs: composition books, crayons, pencils, pens, erasers, glue sticks, scissors, solar calculators, etc. See Bernie for questions or details.

“Our Community” Prayer Interests:

Area public service personnel: (military, law enforcement, First Responders, health care workers, teachers, chaplains, social workers, etc.).

Special Missionary Prayer Focus for this week:

Karl & Sue Peterson, Mexico: Congregational Vitality; Leadership Training; Theological Education; Holistic Care of the Vulnerable; Discipleship and Spiritual Direction.

Prayer request: Please pray for discernment, creativity, persistence, joy and grace.

Covenant Park Bible Camp:

September 13-15, Women's Retreat at CPBC

Congo “soup can” Donations

Did you know that 80% of the people of Congo live on \$1.25 or less a day? We recently received \$26.88 from can donations. Wow! That would take care of a person for 21 days. Keep the cans coming!!

Special prayer need: Mesabi Range Youth for Christ

School schedule starts in September:

Every Monday @ The Haven, Hibbing

Every Tuesday @ True Hope, Virginia (Midway)

Jake Grass, Director – jake@mesabirangeyfc.org

Mollianne Lendacky - recently hired as Campus Life Director

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