



A day we shall never forget – Mountain Shadows fire – Tuesday, 26th of June 2012. We salute our firefighters!

Summer & Fall schedule

- July 24th – Picnic with softball team
- August 12th – Karaoke dinner night
- September 9th – Sunday school starts
- September 16th – Progressive dinners
- October 1st – 6th – Bible study groups launch

VOLUNTEERS TODAY

- Worship Hour Nursery: Dick and Cheryl Prince
- Ushering: Matt & Cathy Ernst
- Communion Set Up: Ray Sanford
- Closing: Bruce Nicklas
- Counting: Bruce Nicklas & Cathy Ernst

OUR STAFF

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FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

Sunday, July 1st, 2012

America the Beautiful and the Great

French writer Alexis de Tocqueville, after visiting America in 1831, said, "I sought for the greatness of the United States in her commodious harbors, her ample rivers, her fertile fields, and boundless forests--and it was not there. I sought for it in her rich mines, her vast world commerce, her public school system, and in her institutions of higher learning--and it was not there. I looked for it in her democratic Congress and her matchless Constitution--and it was not there. Not until I went into the churches of America and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because America is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great!"

Let us stand strong, hand in hand, and be a part of keeping this land great!

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Kids Camp

Covenant Heights has several camp programs for your kids this summer! Here are the dates:

3rd – 6th graders: July 15-20

7th – 10th graders: July 8-13

To find out more information, visit www.covenantheights.org.

There are **full sponsorships available**. Please inquire from Pastor Naas.

Family Camp

This year's family camp will be held at **Covenant Heights Camp near Estes Park from July 4th - 7th**. Pastor Naas will be the camp speaker. This is a great opportunity to have a really neat camping experience where you can engage in great fellowship, relaxation, and spiritual growth for your family!

St. Ignatius' Prayer

"O Christ Jesus, when all is darkness and we feel our weakness and helplessness, give us the sense of Your presence, Your love, and Your strength. Help us to have perfect trust in Your protecting love and strengthening power, so that nothing may frighten or worry us, for, living close to You, we shall see Your hand, Your purpose, Your will through all things." -*Saint Ignatius of Loyola*

Lead Team Recommendations

If you have any more names for the Lead Team to consider, please submit them to any of the current Lead Team members.

Grateful for prayers

Matt and Cathy Ernst, as well as the Tredoux family, thank you for your prayers. They have truly felt the support of our church family and feel encouraged to know that in spite of the fear of losing their homes and belongings, they will never lose the love of their Faith friends. Let us continue to be in fervent prayer for our community and for those who have battled the Waldo Canyon fire so tirelessly this past week.

Opportunity knocks

Peter Marshall, standing before the U.S. Senate, said it ever so well in a prayer many years ago. "Lord Jesus, thou who art the way, the truth, and the life; hear us as we pray for the truth that shall make all free. Teach us that liberty is not only to be loved but also to be lived. Liberty is too precious a thing to be buried in books. It costs too much to be hoarded. Help us see that our liberty is not the right to do as we please, but the opportunity to please to do what is right."

Suggestions for how you can show honor:

(Based on last week's sermon about honoring one another)

- See everyone as made in God's image and someone Jesus died for.
- Say "thank you" often.
- Affirm and encourage others.
- Return calls, texts, and e-mails promptly.
- Don't keep others waiting.
- Stand up when someone enters the room.
- Call if you are running late.
- Don't correct adults in front of others.
- Let your subordinates shine.
- Give the credit away.
- Keep the promises you make.
- Treat subordinates as equals.
- Do not pull rank on someone.
- Keep confidences sacred.
- Do not use information shared in confidence against that person.
- See others as wearing a sign that reads, "Make me feel important."
- Only speak negatively of ideas or policies, not people.
- Never criticize someone else's children.
- Do not milk a friend for information.
- Never conspire with others against a friend.
- Do not let friends get blindsided by their weaknesses.
- Clarify issues with truth.
- Be sensitive with practical jokes.
- Never flatter.
- Don't get involved in others' affairs unless invited.
- Compliment deeds done well.
- Clean up after yourself.
- Use good manners.
- Don't compete, complete.
- Never climb over someone to get ahead.
- Lend a hand.
- Laugh with others, but only laugh at yourself.
- Notice when others need encouragement and give it.
- Honor others by seeing them as "*Jesus in disguise*".