

SPRING WORSHIP SERIES

IN GOD WE TRUST

HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

You will be enriched in every way
to be generous in every way,
which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.
- II Corinthians 9:11 (ESV)

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HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

April 30, 2017

9:30 a.m.

Gathering Time

Passing of the Peace

Greeting

Please complete the connect card and place it in the offering plate.

Invitation to Worship

*Opening Hymn 318

We Come, O Christ, to You

*Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

I Kings 10:26-29, 11:1-4, Galen Carlson

James 1:5, 3:13-17, Danielle Lo

3rd Grade Bible Presentation

*Songs

Be Thou My Vision

Ancient of Days

Faith Story

Kate Makosky

Prayer of the People

Giving and Living Out of Our Abundance

Choral Offertory

And Can it Be? (arr. Albin C. Whitworth)

Children in grades Pre-K through 2nd grade are invited to continue worshipping in Children's Church after the Offertory. Please meet the teachers in the back of the Sanctuary.

Message

The Wisdom of Enough

Pastor Tom Cameron

*Closing Hymn 376

When We Walk With the Lord

Sending Words

II Corinthians 9:11

Postlude

Darnell's 148th (arr. M. Burkhardt)

Prayer Time for Health and Wholeness is offered in the Prayer Chapel following Worship.

TODAY

Welcome to Worship at First Covenant Church! Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, we are glad you are here. The connect card in your bulletin provides a way to give or receive information, or to ask for prayer. Many are already part of our e-mail communication. If you would like to receive periodic church updates electronically, please indicate this on your connect card. Place your completed connect card in the offering plate.

Today we present our soon-to-be 3rd graders with 'The Adventure Bible.' 'The Adventure Bible' is geared for children ages 8-12. First Covenant Church of Saint Paul presents Bibles to our children and youth throughout their young years - infant baptism or dedication, 3rd grade, entering confirmation, and high school graduation.

Romans 10:17 "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing from the word of Christ."

9:30am

Worship

Nursery Care, (birth through age 3), *Rooms 105 & 106*

Children's Church, children pre-k - 2nd grade are dismissed with leaders during Worship and will return with leaders during the final song in Worship, *Room 104*

Resource Table for children and youth, please check out this table as you enter Worship, where you will find worship bulletins, crayons and Bibles for children, and worship notes for Confirmation students.

10:30am

Fellowship Time, *Upper Fellowship Hall*

10:40am

Youth Group Music Lessons, *Graffiti Room*

11:00am

Nursery Care (birth through age 3), *Room 105*

Children's Sunday School, *(all start in Room 104 together)*

Please pick up your children at 12:00pm in the following rooms:

Pre-K - K, *Room 106*

Grades 3-4, *Room 104B*

Grades 1-2, *Room 104A*

Grades 5-6, *Room 201 (upstairs)*

Grades 7 - Adult, Spiritual Growth Hour, *Upper Fellowship Hall*

Your Story + My Story = Our Story continues with part 2 - building our future together.

You will not want to miss it!

Gratitude Journals

Last Sunday, "the Gratitude Challenge" was introduced in our new sermon series. Today you can pick-up your own Gratitude Journal at the Welcome Center. If you have children or youth in your family, make sure you get journals for them as well. This is a great activity to take-on together! You can also join-in "the Gratitude Challenge" on the First Covenant Facebook page where we can share what we are grateful for together!
facebook.com/firstcovenantstpaul

NEXT SUNDAY IS CONFIRMATION SUNDAY!

Confirmation Sunday, May 7, 9:30am Worship

Join us next Sunday as we celebrate God's Spirit alive in the life of our congregation as our 8th grade Confirmation students confirm their faith during Worship. A Blessing Ceremony and reception in their honor will be held in Upper Fellowship Hall following Worship. We will not have Spiritual Growth Hour as we will use this time to celebrate our Confirmands.

2017 Confirmation Class: Solomon Como, Katie Flanagan, Alianna Garcia, Brita Hagfors, Rachel Luchsinger, Ian Sandau, Anja Swenson and Sylvia Zupfer.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Stay connected: Stop by the Welcome Center to order a CD of any worship service. Weekly worship bulletins and podcasts can be found on the church website under the Worship and Arts tab. Podcasts of our recent Spiritual Growth Hours can also be found on our website under Life Together - Spiritual Growth Hour.

Gospel Mass Good Friday Concert CD's can be ordered. Stop by the Welcome Center to sign up. Cost: \$10 which will help cover the cost of our music programs here at FCC.

Visit the Summer Camp Table in Upper Fellowship Hall where you will find all you need to know about 2017 summer camp opportunities for children and youth. There are also envelopes available if you would like to donate to our Every Kid To Camp fund (EKTC). Questions? See Kate or Donovan.

We extend our sympathies to Gordy Swanson, Pastor Anne Vining, and family, in the loss of Gordy's mother, Harriett Swanson, who joined the church triumphant on April 22. Harriett joined First Covenant this past September, but was not able to be active in our life together following her stroke in October. A Memorial Service will be held today, April 30. Memorial Visitation: 4:00pm, Memorial Service: 5:00pm, all at *Covenant Village, (5800 St. Croix Ave. N, Golden Valley, MN)*. God's peace to those on a journey through loss and grief.

THIS WEEK

Phalen Heights Park Community Event, Monday May 1 or Thursday May 4, 7:00pm
First Covenant Church, Upper Fellowship Hall

Learn how you can protect and improve the water in Phalen Lake and the Mississippi River by participating in neighborhood projects. Experts will be here to show you how you can make a difference. Sponsored by Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District & Freshwater Society. Both meetings are the same, so you only need to attend one. Questions? Contact Bill Cranford, (billcranfordjr@gmail.com) or Rachel Hanks (rachelhanks11@gmail.com)

Tuesday, May 2, music rehearsal day/time changes: Worship Team: 5:00-6:00pm, Gospel Choir: 6:00-7:30pm. This will allow for all to attend the "In It Together" Prayer Gathering on Thursday, May 4.

In It Together Prayer Gathering, Thursday, May 4, 6:00pm
Contender for the Faith Church, 580 Case Avenue East

On the National Day of Prayer, gather with friends from Contender For the Faith Church, Family Values for Life and First Covenant Church to pray for our nation, community, leaders and people. Meet at First Covenant Church at 5:30pm to carpool, as parking is limited. Plan to stay for refreshments and time to socialize following the Prayer Gathering. Contact Susan Carlson at 651-247-8082 if you can provide 2 dozen bars or if you have questions.

Men's Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, May 6, 8:00-9:30am
Upper Fellowship Hall

All men, young and old, are invited to join us for breakfast, study, fellowship and prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, May 12, Alley Shoppe closes for the summer

Thank you for your generous donations of items to the Alley Shoppe this past year, collected in the bin in our east entry. We have a longstanding partnership with the Alley Shoppe, which is housed in Arlington Hills Lutheran Church, and provides free clothing and household items to eligible families in Ramsey County. The last day you can place items in the bin is Friday, May 12, as the Alley Shoppe closes for the summer. Thank you to Roger Valois for coordinating the weekly delivery of the items from FCC to the Alley Shoppe.

Fifth Annual Mother/Daughter Tea, Saturday, May 13, 3:00-6:00pm

First Covenant Church, Upper Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to this partner event, presented by Family Values for Life Jump Start Program and women of First Covenant Church. Cost: \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door, (girls under 12 are free). This event includes guest speaker Donna Pratt, entertainment, door prizes and dinner. For more information or to register: familyvaluesforlife.org, or 651-774-6663.

All Church Cleaning Day, Saturday, May 20, 8:30am-12:00pm

First Covenant Church

Would you like to lend a hand in a Spring cleaning of our church building and grounds? The Building and Grounds Team and the Men's Saturday Morning Prayer Meeting are jointly sponsoring an all church cleaning day. Cleaning supplies will be provided. There will be tasks for all abilities and ages. Please sign up at the Welcome Center so we can plan. Questions? Contact Bob Johnson, johnsrp24@gmail.com.