

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)

first covenant church of saint paul ~ 1280 arcade street ~ saint paul, mn 55106  
(651)774-0344 ~ [www.first-covenant.org](http://www.first-covenant.org) ~ prayer line: (651)772-9212  
[office@first-covenant.org](mailto:office@first-covenant.org)



## **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.*

**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.

**10:30am**

**Celebration!** *Upper Fellowship Hall*

Please join us for food, festive music and inspiring words as we celebrate together!

***Welcome to Addin and Karen!** This week we welcomed two new Ministry Team members. Please join us in welcoming Addin Vang, Summer Youth Intern, and Karen Rogerzinsky, Bookkeeper. We are thrilled they will be contributing to our team in the ministry of God's work. You will have the opportunity to meet them during our celebration this morning.*

**Please pick up your Summer Calendar 2017 before you leave today**, which includes details of all that is happening at FCC this summer. Calendars are by the exits.

**Parent Talk Back Session - Part 2, 11:15am-12:00pm**, *Graffiti Room*

Parents and caregivers of all infants, children and youth are invited for an informative session as we prepare for fall planning. Join us to hear updates from our last session and give your input as we continue to shape our priorities for our children, youth and family ministries for the coming year. Your story matters, your voice matters, your presence matters. Childcare provided for birth-12th graders.

## **NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 28, 10:30AM**

Our summer Worship time of 10:30am begins next Sunday. Spiritual Growth Hour, Children's Church and Sunday School will resume in September.

## **EVERY KID TO CAMP (EKTC) UPDATE**

At First Covenant, we believe that every kid, no matter the family's financial situation, should be able to have a camp experience at Covenant Pines Bible Camp each summer, and our EKTC fund helps to make that possible. So far we have over \$5,800 in our fund to help us meet our goal of sending over 40 kids to camp. You can help close the \$6,200 gap to meet that need. Give your tax-deductible gift, or pay your camper's balance, by using an EKTC envelope available at the camp table in Upper Fellowship Hall. Place it in the offering plate or in the Covenant Pines mailbox in the church office. Make the check out to First Covenant Church with EKTC in the memo line. Questions? See Donovan DeGaetano or Kate Makosky.

## 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.

**Thank you spring cleaners!** We appreciate all those who volunteered yesterday to clean and spruce up our building and grounds.

### **First Covenant Church Scholarship Fund**

Again this year, First Covenant Church is participating with North Park University (NPU), North Park Theological Seminary (NPTS), and Bethel University (BU), in their church scholarship matching grant programs to help FCC students attending these institutions with their tuition costs. Contributions are tax deductible, and must be received by June 30th in order to be used for the 2017-18 academic year. All checks should be written to "First Covenant Church", and designate in the memo line whether it is for the North Park scholarship fund or the Bethel scholarship fund, however, funds cannot be designated to a specific student. If you have any questions see Executive Pastor Tom Cameron.

## UPCOMING EVENTS THIS MONTH

### **Camp Physicals, Wednesday, May 24, 5:00-7:30pm, *First Covenant Church***

Every camper needs a completed physical to attend Covenant Pines Bible Camp each summer. Schedule a 15 minute free appointment with local physicians and nurses at First Covenant Church, by signing up at the Camp Table in Upper Fellowship Hall. For more information see Donovan DeGaetano or Kate Makosky.

### **Nursery Volunteer Training and Parent Info Night, Wednesday, May 31, 6:00-7:30pm *Room 104***

Do you currently volunteer in the nursery, want to volunteer, have a child in the nursery, or do not realize we have a nursery - you are invited to come and learn about the wonderful ministry happening with our little ones and their families. Emily Caro, FCC Nursery Coordinator, will walk us through new policies and procedures. She will also be telling about the awesome curriculum that we will start using the Summer. Questions? Contact Emily, [emily@first-covenant.org](mailto:emily@first-covenant.org).

## UPCOMING JUNE EVENTS

### **Graduation Sunday, June 4, 10:30am Worship with reception following**

- Honoring graduates: We will be honoring those who graduated from high school, college, graduate-level or other course work during the 2016-2017 school year. Please call the church office, or e-mail Kate Makosky, [kate@first-covenant.org](mailto:kate@first-covenant.org). by May 28 with names of graduates.

- Graduate Bibles: Each of our high school graduates receives an NIV Study Bible as their graduation gift from FCC. Help them celebrate this milestone by highlighting or underlining verses for each graduate at the tables in Upper Fellowship Hall.

### **Summer "Soup Groups" are back! Deadline to sign up is June 4**

Last summer, many enjoyed fun-filled evenings sharing a simple meal in homes. Three "Soup Group" events will be held this summer, and you won't want to miss them! If you would like to take part, please fill out a sign-up form at the Welcome Center and return it to Tom Cameron's office mailbox before June 4. Dates are pending, but will be decided soon. Attend one, two, or all three! Contact Barb Johnson with questions: [barbanddickjohnson@q.com](mailto:barbanddickjohnson@q.com).

### **Visitation Appreciation Tea, Wednesday, June 7, 10:00am-12:30pm, Upper Fellowship Hall**

This annual event hosted by the Congregational Life Commission is a way of saying "thank you" to 27 caring individuals who visit 21 homebound from our church once a month. In addition, our Visitation Pastor Ted Nordlund provides communion, song and scripture on his visits. Thank you to Betty Eddy for making the assignments each month and distributing the visitation cards. If you would like to know more about homebound visitation, please contact Betty Eddy at 651-484-8830.

### **Outdoor Worship Service and Potluck, Sunday, June 11, 10:30am**

Join us for our first outdoor worship of the summer with a potluck following. There will be two this summer; the second one will take place on Sunday, August 13. Please help out by choosing one or both Sundays to volunteer to set up, serve or clean up. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Information about food contributions will be available next week.

### **Hero Training Camp (HTC), Monday, June 12 - Thursday June 15, 2:00-5:00pm**

**(Children entering grades K - 6th grade), Phalen Rec Center**

This year's theme is "Gadgets & Gizmos - Uniquely Wired and Wonderfully Made". Every kid is uniquely wired for one reason. They were wonderfully made in the image of God. HTC is geared to capture a kids' imagination about their Creator so they can discover who they are - MADE by God - MADE for a relationship with Jesus - MADE to love others. They will have the opportunity to participate in different sports and art clinics as well (Cooking is back for the WHOLE WEEK). We are also looking for volunteers for the week, grades 7 through adult. HTC brochures, in today's bulletin and on the Summer Camp Table, contain a registration form for your child(ren) and a volunteer form. You can also register on the church website: [www.first-covenant.org](http://www.first-covenant.org). Don't miss out on the **HTC Volunteer Meeting, Wednesday, June 7, 5:30-7:00pm, at First Covenant Church.**