

Head and HEART



LOVE IS PATIENT, LOVE IS KIND. IT DOES NOT ENVY, IT DOES NOT BOAST, IT IS NOT PROUD.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4

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HEAD & HEART

October 2, 2016

9:30 a.m.

Gathering Time
Passing of the Peace
Greeting

Please complete the connect card and place in the offering.

Invitation to Worship

*Opening Hymn 720

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

*Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading

I Thess. 2:13, II Thess.2:13-17,3:1-5
Sharla Scullen

*Song

Forever Reign

Giving and Living Out of Our Abundance
Choral Offertory

Offertory

The Greatest Gift is Love (Mark Hayes)
Janet Hagfors, violin

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

Message

The Value of Encouragement
Pastor Anne Vining

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

We invite all who follow Jesus as Lord to receive and celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion with us.

*Affirmation of Faith

Sharing out of the Bread and Cup

*Closing Hymn 700

When Love Is Found

*Sending Words

1 Corinthians 13:4

Postlude

Miniature from Op 55(Flor Peeters)

*All who are able are invited to stand

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.

9:30am

Worship, Sanctuary

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

Children's Church, children pre-k - 2nd grade leave with leaders during Worship and will return with leaders during the final song of 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*

If you are visiting, welcome! Please join us for a cup of coffee and a treat.

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 1-2, *Room 104A*

Grades 3-4, *Room 104B*

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

Youth Sunday School (grades 7-12), *Graffiti Room*

Confirmation, *Game Room*

Adult Spiritual Growth Hour *(please see insert for CBE discussion room assignments)*

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

The Twin Cities Marathon is next Sunday! Several members of our First Covenant faith family will be running in the Twin Cities Marathon next Sunday as part of Team World Vision. They are running to raise money to provide clean, sustainable water sources to communities in need all over Africa. World Vision provides more clean water than any other non-government organization in the world. To date First Covenant has raised over \$8,000. We encourage you to be generous in your support, both in your contributions of money and in going out to the race site after service next Sunday to root on our TWV runners. There will be no Spiritual Growth Hour or Youth Group Music Lessons next Sunday as a way of promoting attendance at the marathon. For more information or to donate: www.teamworldvision.org/twincities, click on: donate to this event. Team: FCC Water for Life. Thank you for your support!

THIS WEEK

New class on Wednesday nights, 6:15-7:30pm, Conference Room

Starting this Wednesday, October 5, Pastor Anne will be leading an adult class "Old Testament Journey". The Old Testament is an amazing collection of books of the Bible. There's history, poetry, wisdom, literature, and more that tells us about the past and speaking into our lives still today. No experience necessary. Bring your Bible if you have one. If not, there will be Bibles that you can use.

Jump Start to the New You Workshops for Women, Wednesdays, 6:15-7:30pm

FCC, Upper Fellowship Hall

In partnership with Family Values for Life, these free workshops teach essential life skills to women in areas of health, personal empowerment, financial literacy, and goal setting. For more information, pick up a brochure in the east entry kiosk, or go to: www.familyvaluesforlife.org.

Handbell Choir will be starting this week! The first rehearsal will be Wednesday, October 5, 4:30-5:45pm, *Choir Room*

Gospel Choir Rehearsal for this week, Thursday, October 6, has been cancelled. This month, Gospel Choir rehearsals will be on October 13 and 20 to prepare to sing in Worship on October 23. CDs are available today at the Welcome Center.

Confirmation Get Together (7-8th graders) - Pumpkin-Palooza!

Friday, October 7, 7:00-8:30pm

Pastor Anne and Gordy's Home (1108 Hyacinth Ave. E., Saint Paul, MN 55106)

Join us for our annual fall get together! This is a fun night to get to know one another outside of class, eat good food, and have some pumpkin-themed fun!

RSVP by Wednesday, October 5 with Kate Makosky!

UPCOMING YOUTH RETREATS

MEA Retreats for Youth, Covenant Pines Bible Camp, McGregor, MN

October 19-21: Junior High (7th-8th graders)

October 21-23: Senior High (9th-12th graders)

Don't miss your chance to get away to Covenant Pines this MEA Break! Registration forms are available on the youth bulletin boards. For more information, or if you have a scholarship need, contact Kate Makosky!

OPPORTUNITY FOR LIVING AND GIVING

Looking for a car! Karl, Sue, Zachary, and Jonathan Peterson, missionaries to Mexico City, are living in the Twin Cities for their one year home assignment. Do you have a reliable car for Karl to use as he travels the upper Midwest to Covenant churches to share about their work in Mexico? Contact Bryan Norris at norris.bryan@gmail.com.