



FALL 2018
First Covenant Church of Saint Paul

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WELCOME SUNDAY

September 9, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Gathering Time

WAKE UP to Worship

Wake Up (All Sons and Daughters)

*Opening Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

Invitation to Worship

*If you are a visitor, have a prayer request or have a change of address
please note this on a Connect Card found in the pew pockets. Place it in the offering plate.*

Scripture Reading

Lamentations 3:21-23, Psalm 108:1-5, I Thessalonians 5:4-11

*Song

What a Beautiful Name

WAKE UP to What Unites Us

authentic discipleship

Message

WAKE UP..... a new day has begun!
Pastor Anne Vining

Prayer for a New Day

WAKE UP to Generosity

Choral Offertory

Gather the People (Stan Pethel), brass arr. Janet McClellan
Sanctuary Choir and Brass Combo

*Closing Song

We Believe

*Sending Words

Postlude

We Believe (instrumental)

*Stand is you are able

*If you temporarily leave the sanctuary during a Worship service, please return to your seats
using the rear sanctuary doors. This will minimize disruptions. Thank you for understanding.*

TODAY

Welcome to Worship at First Covenant Church! Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, we are glad you are here.

10:30am

Worship

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

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

12:00pm-2:00pm

Welcome Sunday Block Party Community BBQ

Following Worship, everyone is invited to the playground at Farnsworth Aerospace School (across the street) for a BBQ lunch with our church family, partners in ministry, and our community. No need to bring anything, all the food and beverages will be provided! We will meet in the parking lot for a blessing before we all walk to Farnsworth. Please remember to take everything with you, as the church will be locked.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:30am: Worship (NOTE TIME CHANGE), including a brief update from the Como family who is serving in Honduras. As missionaries sent from our own FCC congregation, the Como family currently serves with the Christian Health Service Corp at the Loma de Luz Hospital in Balfate, Honduras.

11:00am: Spiritual Growth Hour for all ages

During Adult Spiritual Growth Hour, Jason and Lisa Como will share more in depth about how God is using them for His service in Honduras.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Welcome to Ellen Jacobson! With Addin Vang assuming full time responsibilities within our youth ministry, we are pleased that Ellen Jacobson is stepping in as Worship Assistant, as well as be Interim Choir Piano Accompanist, until a new Organist/Accompanist is hired.

Stay connected: Weekly worship bulletins can be found on the church website under the Worship and Arts tab. Stop by the Welcome Center to order a CD of any Worship Service.

Missed the Annual Meeting last Sunday? Pick up a copy of the First Covenant Church Annual Report, which covers the ministry and events of First Covenant Church from September 2017- August 2018. Copies are located in the east entry kiosk and at the Welcome Center.

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

RECHARGE: Registration Night for Children, Youth, Parents, and Caregivers (birth-12th grade) Wednesday, September 12, 5:15pm - 7:00pm

This is a special night JUST for our children and youth ministries. Join us for dinner and an abbreviated program where you'll meet your leaders, get reacquainted with our TreeHouse expectations, revisit our partners, and get registered for the year! Handbells and choir still rehearse this evening, however there are no other programs on this night.

RELAUNCH: WELCOME WEDNESDAY, First full Wednesday of programming! Wednesday, September 19, 4:00pm-7:30pm

4:00pm, The After School Program (K-12th Grade)

4:30pm, Handbell Choir Rehearsal

5:45pm, Free Dinner for all from Loaves and Fishes

6:15pm

- Nursery (birth-age 3)
- Big G's Neighborhood (pre-K-6th grade)
- Youth Group (7th-12th grade)
- "Inspired" Bible Study (adults)
- Jump Start to The New You (adult women)
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (adults)

SHARE YOUR TIME AND TALENTS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

The After School Program: we will be kicking off another year of our After School Program for our children and youth starting on September 19. We are seeking volunteers in the area of gym activities, one-on-one mentoring, homework help and more. The After School Program meets on Wednesdays from 4:00-5:45pm. Questions? Contact Chrissy Thomas at Christian.familyvaluesforlife.org.

Dinner: would you be able to help out by doing easy prep, serving and cleaning up one Wednesday night a month? We need volunteers between 4:30-6:45pm, or whatever works for you. We have lots of fun, and it is a wonderful way to serve others without a large time commitment. We also need someone to consistently run the dishwasher. For more information, contact Judy Kline, Wednesday Dinner Coordinator, judy@first-covenant.org.

UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Wednesday Morning Bible Study, (beginning September 12) weekly, 9:30am-11:00am

Upper Fellowship Hall

All are invited to enjoy coffee, conversation, friendships and a Bible study on the Gospel of Mark. Be renewed and encouraged as we study Jesus in action as He overcomes storms, feeds multitudes, and offers victory over death. Led by Dick and Barb Johnson.

Community Bible Study, Thursdays (beginning September 13) weekly, 9:15am-11:15am

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For over 40 years, in over 60 languages and more than 85 countries, Community Bible Study's mission has been to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our communities through caring, in-depth Bible study, available to all. This year's Bible Study will be the books of Galatians, Philemon, 1,2 and 3 John, Jude, 1&2 Timothy and Titus. CBS is for everyone, regardless of age, denomination, gender or Bible knowledge. For more information: stpaul.cbsclass.org.

Fruit of the Vine Food Shelf and La Vina de Saint Paul Farm Fresh Produce Give-Away Fridays, September 14 and October 12, 4:00-6:00pm

First Covenant Church Parking Lot

All can come...and all are invited to pick up farm fresh produce for free! Fruit of the Vine Food Shelf and La Vina de Saint Paul will be distributing fresh produce in the church parking lot. Be sure to bring your own bags.

Fall Golf Outing, Saturday, September 22, 12:00pm

River Oaks Golf Course, 11900 US-61, Cottage Grove, MN 55016

All are invited to a golf outing (scramble format). Sign up at the Welcome Center individually or as a group. Questions? Contact Bryan Norris, norris.bryan@gmail.com.

Nursery Volunteer Training, Saturday, September 29, 9:00-11:00am

Nursery

Calling all current and interested nursery volunteers! Join us as we discuss the new nursery curriculum and procedures, and welcome new volunteers. Questions? Contact Lora Murtha.

For more information on upcoming events, pick up a Wake Up! Fall Guidebook at the Welcome Center or in the east entry kiosk.