

We believe the Bible is the Word of God and the only perfect rule for faith, doctrine, and conduct.

We believe in the necessity of the New Birth, and a continuing life in fellowship with our Living Lord, Jesus Christ.

We believe we “are blessed to be a blessing.” We seek to **BLESS** others as we: Begin with prayer,
Listen with care,
Eat together,
Serve with love, and
Share our story.

Immerse is our eight week Bible reading program that includes the first five books of the Bible. We will begin reading during the season of Lent. You can find additional information about *Immerse*, including signup sheets, in the narthex. If you have any questions please speak with Pastor Karl.

Young-at Heart will meet on Tuesday, February 13th. A signup sheet for lunch is on the table in the narthex.

Covenant Church, thank you so much for the love and concern you have shown us during mom’s past years and her passing. The service was beautiful and really captured her spirit. Thanks to all the ladies who helped provide cake and serve the lunch. Thanks to Jo and Marsha for having fun with the little ones in the nursery. The plant is beautiful – love the birds in the nests.

Lovingly, Kim & Brian
Rich & Deb
Dave & Kirsten
and families



February 4, 2018

Evangelical Covenant Church
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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

We Gather in God's Name

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is, by nature, offensive. It confronts us with our sinfulness and calls us to repentance. However, we don't want to cause *needless offense* as we present the Gospel to others.

We Prepare Our Hearts

- * "Praise the Name of Jesus"
- * "Spirit Song"
- * Invocation and Lord's Prayer (sins)

We Hear God's Word

Mark 1:29-39 Old Testament, p. 48
1 Corinthians 9:16-23 New Testament, p. 228

(Children through grade 5 are dismissed to Sunday School)

Message: "Avoiding Needless Offense"

We Respond to God's Grace

- * #551: "As We Gather at Your Table"

Prayer
Offering/Offertory

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

We Are Sent Forth with God's Blessing

- * "Go Now In Peace"
- * Blessing

* Please stand if you are able

Update

Week of February 4 – February 11, 2018

Sunday, February 4, 2018 – 5th Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Worship/Children's S.S./Communion
11:00 am Fellowship Hour

Sunday, February 11, 2018 – 6th Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Worship/Children's SS
11:00 am Fellowship Hour

Greeters –

Nursery – Nancy Salmon

Children's Sunday School – Marsha Pawley

You are invited to participate in our Ash Wednesday prayer vigil (February 14th – from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm). You may come to church and pray in the sanctuary for 30 minutes, or you may pray for 30 minutes at home. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Simply place your name in the time slot you would prefer. Reminder cards are also available. *"Leave all your worries with him, because he cares for you"* (1 Peter 5:7)

Pastor – Karl Larson

Leader – Butch Lewin

Reader – Michelle Small

Piano – Maxine Lewin and Marsha Pawley

Sound – Steve Pawley

Projection – Jeri Willis

Greeters – Nancy & Doug Salmon

Nursery – Marsha Pawley

Children's Sunday School – Tina Larson