

The Evangelical Covenant Church believes 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 that the fellowship of Christians strengthens us for the ministry of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is our task until the return of our Lord.

**Thank You:** Thank you for your generous support of our church this past year. We will distribute the 2018 year-end giving statements soon.

**Greeters/Fellowship Hour Hosts:** If you would be willing to greet and host the fellowship hour please place your name on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

**To All You Wonderful Evangelical Covenant Church Friends** – What a wonderful gift God gave us by leading us to your church many years ago. It's a privilege to have met and enjoyed all of you so many years ago. We love each and every one of you and may God bless you and your families during 2019! Love, Kim & Cindy Richter  
(Please see the "Thank You" card on the bulletin board.)

**Thank You** for everything! The Kliever Family  
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**Christmas Greeting to the Church:** Please see the bulletin insert for a list of those who sent Christmas greetings to the members and friends of our church.



December 30, 2018

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First Sunday after Christmas

# Welcome

## We Gather in God's Name

This morning we remember the journey of the Wise Men. Guided by the star, these Magi brought their precious gifts to Jesus.

## We Prepare Our Hearts

Prelude -

\* Gathering - #146: *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*  
#179: *O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful*

\* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

## We Hear God's Word

Isaiah 60:1-6 Old Testament, p. 807

Matthew 2:1-12 New Testament, p. 2

**Choir** - *Wise Men Still Seek Him*

(Any and all who have ever sung with the choir are invited to come forward and sing.)

**Message** - "The Wise Men and the Star"

## We Respond to God's Grace

\*Hymn - #154: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Confession of Sin/Words of Assurance

Prayer

Offering

Offertory

## We Are Sent Forth with God's Blessing

\* Hymn - *We Three Kings*

\* Blessing

\*Please stand if you are able

# Update

Week of December 30, 2018 - January 6, 2019

## Sunday, December 30, 2018

10:00 AM .....Worship/Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM ..... Fellowship Hour

## Tuesday, January 1, 2019 - Happy New Year!

## Wednesday, January 2, 2019

8:00 PM ..... Nominating Committee

## Saturday, January 5, 2019

2:00 PM ..... Tabitha (Monter) Metcalf Baby Shower

## Sunday, January 6, 2019

8:30 AM ..... Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM .....Worship/Children's S.S./Communion

Greeters - TBA

Nursery - TBA

Sunday School - TBA

## Serving In Worship Today

Pastor - Karl Larson

Leader - Butch Lewin

Reader - Tina Larson

Organist - Lorey Wadell

Pianist - Maxine Lewin

Trumpet - Elizabeth Larson

Sound - Chris Small

Projection - Jeri Willis

Greeters - Ruby & Chuck Andersen

Nursery - Tina Larson, Elizabeth Larson,  
and Ella Sandstrom

Children's Sunday School - Nancy Seeman