

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.

**“Thank You”** to our Worship Planning Team for preparing and serving the refreshments following last Sunday evening’s concert by Kevin & Heidi Cheng. The sherbet floats, along with the cookies and bars, were great.

**Music Requests on Sunday, September 1, 2019:** on Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, we would ask you to come to our 10:00 am worship service prepared to request your favorite hymns and songs from either our Blue Hymnal or our Silver Song Book. We will take requests from the congregation, singing one or two verses from each song requested.

**“Thank You”** to all of you who have provided food for various church functions over the past several weeks. Your willingness to donate baked goods, etc., is much appreciated as it creates a great atmosphere of hospitality and friendship. Your empty (and clean) dishes, bowls, etc. can be found on the cart in the narthex.

**Address Correction:** Gary & Elaine’s winter address is:

5066 Saddlebag Lake Road  
Lake Wales, FL 33898

Please make a notation in your 2019 Church Directory. We apologize for the error.



August 18, 2019

Evangelical Covenant Church

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# Welcome

## We Gather in God's Name

The Apostle Paul acknowledges that our present experience is one of suffering. He then points decisively to our future hope as disciples of Jesus. How do we keep hope alive when life is hard?

## We Prepare Our Hearts

- \*Blue Hymnal #12: *Lord, When We Praise You*
- \*Blue Hymnal #13: *We Exalt Thee*
- \*Invocation and Lord's Prayer (sins)

## We Hear God's Word

Romans 8:19-30                      New Testament, p. 210  
(Children through grade 5 are invited to Sunday School)

**Message** - "The Polar Bears"

## We Respond to God's Grace

- \*Blue Hymnal #431: *Why Should I Be Anxious?*
- Prayer
- Offering

## We Are Sent Forth with God's Blessing

- \*Blue Hymnal #744: *Because He Lives*
- \*Blessing
- Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

# Update

Week of August 18 - August 25, 2019

## Sunday, August 18, 2019

- 10:00 am.....Worship/Children's Sunday School
- 11:00 am.....Fellowship Hour
- 11:30 am.....Executive Committee

## Wednesday, August 21, 2019

- 1:30 - 3:00 pm .....Pastor Karl & Lorey Wadell leading services at our local care facilities
- 2:30 pm ..... Confirmation

## Thursday, August 22, 2019

- 12:00 pm ..... Brown Bag Bible Study

## Sunday, August 25, 2019

- 10:00 am.....Worship/Children's Sunday School
- 11:00 am.....Fellowship Hour
- Nursery - Jo Gakemeier
- Sunday School - Maxine Lewin
- Greeters - Josh & Ashley Gibson

**Greeters Needed:** we are still in need of greeters/fellowship hour hosts for the month of September. A signup sheet is on the table in the narthex.

## Serving in Worship Today

- Pastor - Karl Larson                      Leader - Suzanne Rauert
- Reader - Doug Salmon                      Sound - Steve Pawley
- Organ - Lorey Wadell                      Piano - Marsha Pawley
- Nursery - Julie Shively
- Sunday School - Philip Shively
- Greeters - Steve & Marsha Pawley