

FOR GUESTS

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today and look forward to seeing you again soon. We know that visiting a new church can feel awkward until you get to know people. So, we will do the best we can to help you feel at home. Do stop by our Welcome Table for more information about us; grab a cup of coffee, visit so we can get to know you.

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services. There are “quiet bags” available to occupy small children. Please ask ushers for assistance. For those who prefer, our nursery is open throughout the morning for children age 6 months to age 3.

CONNECT TO GOD

UPCOMING PRAYER EVENTS

FCC PRAYER GATHERING
Tuesday, April 2, 6:30pm
at First Covenant Church

RED WING UNITED IN PRAYER
Sunday, April 14, 5:00pm
at New River Assembly of God

CONTACT OUR CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS

Are you interested in becoming a member of First Covenant? Pastor Marc is offering a one-day afternoon class on Sunday, April 7th following the second service. A light lunch will be provided, and child care offered if needed. Please let him know if you plan to attend.

It's time to order the plants for the Easter Memorial Garden. See insert in the bulletin to place your plant orders. All orders need to be in by April 8th.

Lydia Circle will be meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Disciple Room. We are discussing chapters 11-12 of *It's All Under Control*. All women are welcome. Contact Gail Devery at gfwinds@yahoo.com for information.

Adult Discovery Hour: In April we will have a series similar to the one last fall where guests explored the intersection of their faith and their jobs in health care. In this spring series our of guests will explore the intersection of their faith and their jobs in public service. Our guest April 7th will be Police Chief Roger Pohlman, on April 14th Fire Chief Shannon Draper, and on April 28th Tom Anderson who works for the department of corrections. Come and listen and enter into conversation with our guests about faith and its intersection with their jobs in community service.

CONNECT TO ONE ANOTHER

Fifty-five and Older Fellowship Lunch—Come Ring in Spring with the Bells of the Bluffs! This event is for our 55-year old's and older. (your non-55-year-old spouse is invited too). Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m., April 13th in the Family Life Center. After the lunch we will adjourn to the sanctuary to listen to a concert by Bells of the Bluffs handbell choir. Please RSVP by April 8th to Ruth Allen: 319-361-0172 or lifesong.ra@gmail.com.

CONNECT TO THE WORLD

Mission of the Month: Red Wing Area Food Shelf

Alaska Missions: April is Alaska Awareness month highlighting two of the ministries our congregation supports: 1) Radio Station KICY, the only volunteer Christian radio station broadcasting into Northwestern Alaska and Eastern Russia. Our church will observe "100% Buck Sunday" next Sunday; with that we are asking for only \$1.00 (or more) from each of you; and Alaska Christian College on April 14 and 28th with a look at current projects in Soldotna. For more information take a look at these websites: kicy.org; accsowersalaskacc.org; or redwingfirstcov.org.

MOPS and MOMSnext are hosting MOPS KIDS PARTY on Saturday, April 6th from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.. Parents mark your calendar for a DATE NIGHT! We will provide care, fun, games and pizza for your children 3 months to 12 years. \$20 a child, \$10 each additional, \$50 maximum per family.

Reservations to Rose Gerdes 507-421-1807 or redwingmops@gmail.com

LIFE GROUP MINISTRIES

Life Groups | Weekly | Hosted at various homes and times

Men's Bible Study | Tuesdays | 9:30 a.m. | Apostle Room

Women's Study-Hearing God's Voice | Tuesdays | 9:30 a.m.

Women's Bible Study | Wednesdays | 9:30 a.m.

Lydia Circle | 2nd Tuesdays | 6:30 p.m. | Disciple Room

MOPS/MOMSnext | 2nd and 4th Wednesdays | 9:00-11:00 a.m.

MOMSnext | 1st and 3rd Tuesdays | 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Discovery Hour | Sunday mornings | 9:45 a.m.

Cultures in Conflict | Roger Johnson | Disciple Room

Women's Study-Lazarus Awakening | Rebecca Beaulieu | Apostle Room

Confirmation | Todd Mehrkens & Julie Malyon | Choir Room

Man Camp | Cory Doden | Youth Room

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Kids Discovery Hour

Sunday | 9:45 a.m. (ages 3-6th grade) | Meets in basement

Awana Club

April 3 | Easter Story | ages 3 – 5th grade | 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Supper | 5:00 p.m.

On April 3rd, we will have our Awana Store Night. We are in need of new or gently used stuffed animals, toys, jewelry and games, in addition to candy. Bring your donated items to Sarah's office marked "Awana Store" by April 1. Keep in mind these are for K - 5th grade kids.

Awards/Family Night

Awana is coming to the end of the year on Wednesday, April 10th. Come and see what these kids have learned throughout this whole year! It will start at 6:00 p.m. following supper and will finish at approximately 7:00 p.m.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

ROOTS (Wed, 6:00-7:30pm in the Youth Room)

For students in grades 6-8 to connect with one another and with God through friends, games, and biblical teaching.

Confirmation (Sun, 9:45-10:45am in the Choir Room)

For students in grades 7-8 to dig into the building blocks of our faith and explore the Old and New Testament.

Fusion (Tues, 3:00-5:00pm at the Church)

For students in grades 5-7 to gather after school to build friendships and develop life skills.

Breakfast Club (Sun, 9:45-10:45am in the Kitchen)

For students in grades 9-12 to connect with one another around food and faith discussions on relevant topics.

CORE (Sundays, 6:30-8:00pm at Host Homes)

For students in grades 9-12 to dig deep into God's word with a core group of friends and learn how to apply it to our everyday lives. We meet tonight at the Snyder home | 2245 Bevans Circle

FCC Sanctuary Remodel Pledge Drive

A Sanctuary Remodel Committee was formed in the fall of 2017. This team reviewed all aspects of the sanctuary which included: flooring, lighting, paint, upholstery, windows and treatments. This remodel project will include carpeting, painting, window coverings, sanctuary doors, band area platform/ramp, dimmer controls, soffit/fascia on sanctuary/garage, and AC replacement in friendship room. The remodel project for the sanctuary was approved by the congregation at the December 2018 business meeting for a total of **\$85,000**. The project is to be financed by the following:

1.Sweat Equity – There are some areas of the project that members can help with labor to reduce the cost like carpet removal, painting, tile work/removal, wall paper removal. If you have experience or would like to help install, please let us know. Contact Jim Larson.

2.Memorial Fund – These are funds donated in memory of loved ones with the intent to help the church with capital purchases. Not to exceed **\$15,000**.

3.Capital Improvement Fund/ existing Sanctuary Remodel Fund - \$8,500

4.Designated Sanctuary Fund from 2017 surplus- \$8,000

5.New pledges – We need **\$53,500** in new pledges.

You will be able to use pledge cards or make direct donations with “FCC Sanctuary Remodel” in the memo of your check. **Pledge cards will be available at the Welcome Table or your mailbox and are to be placed in the offering plate in March.** Thank you for giving to our Pledge Drive.

Proposed Timeline:

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| Capital campaign - | March/April 2019 |
| Estimate Start construction - | June 2019 |
| Estimate Complete construction - | September 2019 |

Sanctuary Remodel Committee

Chairperson Martha Svedvik, Soren Svedvik, Sharon Loquai, Tom Zenzen, Jamie Beaulieu, Pastor Marc, Pastor Mike, Anna Bechtold, Dave & Patti Fredrickson

Sanctuary Finance Committee

Jim Larson, Jay Van Loon, Kathy Johnson and Sharon Loquai

KICY Call Letter

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Toll-Free: 1-800-478-5429 e-mail: office@kicy.org web page: www.kicy.org February, 2019

Manager's Mic

Among the miraculous beginnings of this radio station, a few men stand out as those who had the vision and the skill to get KICY on the air. Bill Hartman was one of those men.

I remember meeting Bill for the first time in 1999. I had just arrived



Patty Burchell

to begin a year of voluntary service at KICY and Bill was in Nome to supervise the erection of two new towers that

would allow our signal to be sent far into the Russian mainland. I quickly learned I was in the presence of a KICY legend. If I remember correctly, the crews had to work pretty hard to keep the spry 80-year-old from climbing the towers! He was incredibly encouraging to this radio newbie, and I appreciated his ready smile and quick wit.

God used Bill as the catalyst to get me to Nome in a surprising way. In the mid-1990s, I had been receiving the Call Letter, but didn't know how I got on the mailing list for an obscure radio station in Nome. I learned later that Bill had put every member of the Pacific Northwest Conference on the list. God used those newsletters to get me here.

So much more could be said. Suffice it to say, Bill was a champion for God's work through KICY.

Well Done, Good And Faithful Servant

The following is a portion of the tribute penned by Gail Withuhn, Bill Hartman's daughter. It is excerpted here, with permission.

Bill Hartman passed away on December 16, 2018, at the ripe age of 102 years. His faith in his Creator was strong; he knew where he was going.

Daddy was a man of many parts. But all who knew him not only admired his intelligence, his honesty, his integrity, his far ranging interests, his probing questions, but also admired his humor, his stories, his grace, and his ability to get along with anyone.

...Daddy served in the Texas Forest Service primarily in fire control from 1939-1950 - interrupted only by naval service in 1944-45, where he refused an officer's slot in order to get electronics training. After the war, Daddy used his electronics training to bring short wave radio communications to the Forest Service.

...After getting his MA in 1951, Daddy joined East Bay Municipal Utility District (in California) as its land superintendent until he retired in 1979.

...Any account, however brief, must include Daddy's volunteer work in Alaska for the Covenant Church.



Bill Hartman at 100 years-young

Since Daddy always was involved in outside projects (most of which did not make money), Mother suggested that he try his hand at doing something "for the Lord." As it happened, in the early 1950's he became fast friends with missionary bush pilot Roald Amundsen, based in

Nome, Alaska, who let it be known that there were no communications among villages in western Alaska, short of dog sleds and airplanes. Daddy got donations, bought government-surplus short-wave radio equipment, and led men as they modified the equipment to meet western Alaska's needs. The radio equipment installed, Roald, the visionary preacher-bush pilot, then kept talking about a radio station, as no public radio station existed in western Alaska. The result: Daddy wrote a successful application to the FCC, and KICY went on the air in 1960.

(Editor's note: Bill worked tirelessly with others to build the towers and other necessary equipment to get KICY on the air in 1960, and again with the power upgrade in 2000. He also spent many years on the ABA Board.) ■

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, March 31

8:30AM Blended
9:45AM Discovery Hour
9:45AM Breakfast Club | Confirmation
11:00AM Contemporary Worship
12:30PM Hispanic Church Plant
6:30PM CORE | Snyder's Home | 2245 Bevans Circle

Monday, April 1

3:00PM Choir Room Reserved
5:30PM FLC Reserved
7:00PM GriefShare (Disciple Room)

Tuesday, April 2

9:30AM Men's Bible Study (Apostle Room)
9:30AM Women's Study (Disciple Room)
3:00PM FUSION
5:30PM MOMSnext
5:30PM Mission Committee
6:30PM Prayer Gathering

Wednesday, April 3

9:30AM Women's Bible Study (Disciple Room)
5:00PM Supper
6:00PM Awana | Easter Story | Awana Store Night
6:00PM ROOTS

Thursday, April 4

6:00PM Worship Team Practice

Friday, April 5

3:15/5:30PM FLC Reserved

Saturday, April 6

4:00PM MOPS Kids Party

Sunday, April 7 Holy Communion

8:30AM Blended
9:45AM Discovery Hour
9:45AM Breakfast Club | Confirmation
11:00AM Contemporary Worship
12:30PM Miss Red Wing Meeting
12:30PM Membership Class
5:00PM FLC Reserved
6:30PM CORE | Mason's Home | 3426 Lake Street

CONNECT WITH US

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