
FCC NEWS

TODAY is Kick Off Sunday! First day of Kids & MS Discovery and the first week of Adult Groups!

We will meet for a Congregational Meeting immediately after the second service this morning to vote on the recommended amendments to the Bylaws. All members able to attend are encouraged to do so, yet everyone is welcome.

September Mission Awareness of the Month is Hope Coalition. Locally, Hope Coalition offers crisis ongoing support services to all survivors of sexual assault. All services are provided free of charge.

EXPLORE IS SEPTEMBER 17! Explore is a two-hour dinner starting at 5 p.m. to explore the Covenant Affirmations, our church's governance, and what it means to be committed to a church community. We invite those new to First Covenant or anyone who wants more information on FCC to attend. Please RSVP to Sarah. (assistant@redwingfirstcov.org) Let us know if you need childcare. The next Explore is February 18, 2024.

Meet the Pastor is September 17! We invite our guests and regular attendees to meet with Pastor Jim to learn more about First Covenant. We meet monthly after the second service in the Apostle Room.

We Are Hiring! At the July 9th Congregational Meeting, the membership approved expansion of our staff. We are hiring a Kids Ministry Director at 10 hours a week. If you or anyone you know is interested, the posting and job description is online. <https://www.redwingfirstcov.org/employment.html>

NEW LIFE GROUP: Hearts and Hands. Join the new service and scripture life group in September. Our goal is to be service minded both within our church family and the community. We will meet twice each month: one day to complete a service project and another evening (to be determined by the group) to study scripture. Our first meeting is tonight at 6:00 pm at the home of Jodie & John Alpers. To sign up or questions, contact Janine (651.380.4885) or Jodie (651.380.1963).

PARENT GROUP: We are launching a new parent group with childcare provided each Wednesday night starting September 13 at 6:30pm at the church. This group will discuss and further explore the principles from each week's message for the first half of the semester. Then the second half will be focused on 10 specific actions parents can take to move from a reactive, quick-fix approach to parenting to a more healthy, intentional approach to parenting. This group is led by Dave & Patti Fredrickson. See our website to register Under Ministries: Adult Groups.

Our sympathies are given to the Eckbald family at the passing of Priscilla Eckblad on Saturday, September 2. Her funeral is here on Wednesday, September 13 at 11:00 am with visitation from 5:00-7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 12 at Mahn Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service. Please continue to hold the family up in prayer, Bruce, Shelly, Nikki and Jackie and their families.

Our sympathies are given to the Trok family at the sudden passing of Adam Trok on Tuesday, September 5th. Adam is the son-in-law of Dave & Vivian Hoseck and husband of Julie. His funeral is here on Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 11:00am with visitation one hour prior to the service. Hold them in prayer.

GriefShare, a Christian grief support group, will be starting a new session beginning Monday, Sept. 11th from 6:30-8:00pm at First Covenant Church. Registration is appreciated to have an adequate supply of workbooks available. Sign Up: griefshare.org (find a group) or call Susan (651.380.9362)

Gather Around: Learning to Rest. Ladies, join us at the home of Nancy Shoemake (4999 Chalet Court, RW). On September 17 from 5:30-7:30pm. As the Fall season kicks off let's be intentional about personal and spiritual rest. Bring something simple (5 ingredients or less) or pick something up premade. (to share or just bring yourself). See you soon.

FCC Crafters meets Monday Sept 11th, 10-2. Please bring your lunch and favorite craft. Any questions, please call Sheryl at 651-212-8513.

Happy Birthday to Donna Alms! Donna turns 97 years old on Tuesday, September 12th. May God continue to bless you!

CARE CHAIN



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PRAYER REQUESTS: Do you have a prayer request?

Email the Care Chain at care@redwingfirstcov.org.

JOIN THE CARE CHAIN: The Care Chain is an email list to which we will send out care notices. To join, please send an email to care@redwingfirstcov.org.

OFFERING COMPARISON

2023 OFFERING UPDATE

Giving YTD Comparison: (Budget = \$8868/week):

2023- \$312,222 (2.2% under Budget)

2022- \$298,247

2021- \$288,315

Last 4 Weeks Comparison:

2023- \$32,226

2022- \$23,319

2021- \$26,532

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, September 10 Kick Off Sunday | Congregational Meeting

- 8:30AM Blended Worship
- 10:00AM Kids & MS Discovery | Kids Wing & Youth Room
- 10:00AM Contemporary Worship
- 11:15AM Congregational Meeting
- 6:00PM Hearts & Hands | Alpers Home | 818 Hi Park Avenue

Monday, September 11

- 10:00AM FCC Crafters | Disciple Room
- 6:30PM GriefShare | Disciple Room
- 6:30PM Bible Study Fellowship – Men | Apostle Room
- 6:30PM Bible Study Fellowship – Women | Youth Room

Tuesday, September 12 Sarah out of the office

- 9:30AM Women's Bible Study | Disciple Room
- 10:00AM Staff Meeting | Apostle Room

Wednesday, September 13

- 9:30AM MOPS & MOMSnext | Youth Room
- 10:00AM Visitation
- 11:00AM Funeral
- 6:30PM Parent Group | Disciple Room
- 7:00PM HS Youth Group | Youth Room

Thursday, September 14

- 9:30PM Men's Bible Study | Disciple Room
- 6:00PM Worship Team Practice

Sunday, September 17 Meet the Pastor | Explore

- 8:30AM Blended Worship
- 10:00AM Kids & MS Discovery | Kids Wing & Youth Room
- 10:00AM Contemporary Worship
- 11:00AM Meet the Pastor | Apostle Room
- 5:00PM Explore | Apostle Room
- 6:00PM Gather Around | Nancy Shoemake | 4999 Chalet Court

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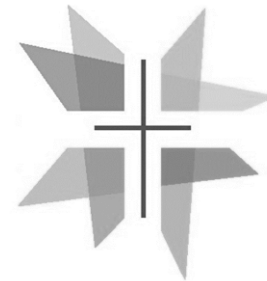


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