

Welcome to our Guests

Thank you for joining with us today as we worship our risen Lord and Savior—Jesus Christ! Our prayer is that you would be spiritually enriched as you join us in singing praises to God, hearing from God's Word, and being together with other members of God's family. If you have children, please entrust them to the care of our dedicated teachers. Childcare is available for infants, toddlers, and elementary-age children. Hearing assistance receivers are available at the sound booth.

Lenten Symbols

The word *Lent* comes from an Anglo-Saxon word referring to the lengthening of days in the move from winter to spring. Beginning on Ash Wednesday (February 14) and culminating in Holy Week (March 25-29). Lent includes forty week days and six Sundays. It is meant to be a reflective season as we remember the suffering and sacrifice of Jesus on our behalf and look forward to celebrating Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday (April 1). Each Sunday of Lent we will bring forth a symbol related to Jesus' crucifixion. Today's symbol: The Purple Robe.

The Lord's Supper

You are welcome to share with us in the Lord's Supper if you are a follower of Jesus Christ and you seek to lead a life that is pleasing to Him.

Benevolent Offering

A benevolent offering will be received following the service. Moneys go to assist those in our congregation and community who have financial needs. Please place your contributions in the offering plate on the table in the foyer.

Covenant Café this Wednesday, March 7

Join us this Wednesday in Fellowship Hall for Covenant Café! Dinner is served at 5:30 PM and the cost is: \$7 for adults, \$5 for high school and under, with a maximum of \$20 per family. The menu this Wednesday is: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans w/ bacon, salad, rolls, and dessert. Please make dinner reservations by checking the appropriate line on the green bulletin insert.

Connecting people with God, each other and the world!

Ministers of Jesus Christ in Life and Work – All of Us!

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Welcome to First Covenant Church of Eureka *The Third Sunday of Lent*

9:30 AM Worship Service

March 4, 2018

Meditation passage: "I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13

Prelude

Welcome and Friendship Registration

Presentation of the Lenten Symbol – The Purple Robe

God Reveals Himself To Us

Responsive Scripture Reading #379

Christ, The Redeemer

***Hymn #43**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Opening Prayer – closing with the Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem

Do You Know Jesus? – Medley

We Reflect On What God Has Done For Us

Scripture Reading

John 6:22-40

Preschool – 2nd Grade dismissed for Children's Church

(Following the service parents may pick up their children in Room 3 of the Fellowship Hall; children will only be released to their parents.)

Message by Rick McRostie

Encounter: Jesus Encounters People Losing Their Faith

We Receive The Symbols Of God's Grace

Hymn of Preparation #413

Break Thou the Bread of Life

The Lord's Supper

We Respond To God With Praise And Thanksgiving

Responsive Scripture Reading #524

Salvation by Grace

Worshiping God with His Tithes and our Offerings

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15

***Hymn #358**

Because He Lives

***Benediction**

*The Congregation will please stand

The Rest of Today

- 10:30 AM Coffee Time in the Peterson House
11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
6:00 PM SOLOS – Covenant Young Adults at Brandon’s home
(1036A Huntoon Street, Eureka)

Events of the Week

Monday, March 5

- 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study in the Peterson House

Wednesday, March 7

- 5:30 PM Covenant Café in the Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM Choir Practice in the Peterson House
6-8:00 PM *First Cov Youth* – for Senior High in the Youth Room
6:30 PM Creation Class upstairs in the Peterson House

Thursday, March 8

- 12 NOON 55+ Potluck in the Fellowship Hall
6-7:30 PM *First Cov Youth* – for Junior High in the Youth Room
7:00 PM Small Group Bible Study in Luke at the Fuller’s
(2388 Ridgewood Drive, Eureka); call Val at 798-1195

Friday, March 9

- 6:30 AM Men’s Bible Study in the Peterson House

Saturday, March 10

**NOTE: Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 AM on March 11;
don’t forget to turn your clocks forward 1 hour!**

The Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 11

- 9:30 AM Traditional Worship Service; Nursery in Fellowship Hall;
Children’s Church for Preschool – 2nd Grade (dismissed
from the service); and Adult Sunday School in the
Peterson House
10:30 AM Pancake Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
Nursery & Sunday School for birth – 5th Grade in
Fellowship Hall; Adult Sunday School in the Peterson
House and the Carriage House
6:00 PM Hymn Sing and Dessert Social in the Peterson House
6:00 PM SOLOS – Covenant Young Adults at Brandon’s home

Coffee Hour Coverage

- March 4 Volunteer Needed
March 11 Pancake Breakfast
March 18 Jeannine Brandenburg and Margie Flanagan
March 25 Volunteer Needed

Childcare for Today – March 4

- Nursery: 9:30 AM – Kiah Martin
11:00 AM – Autumn Jimenez
Children’s Church: Kendall Martin and Kiah Martin
NOTE: Children in Preschool through 2nd grade will be dismissed from the
9:30 AM Worship Service for Children’s Church.

Childcare for Next Sunday – March 11

- Nursery: 9:30 AM – Sharie Cook
11:00 AM – Diane Carstensen
Children’s Church: Helen McRostie and Nate Hartman
NOTE: Children in Preschool through 2nd grade will be dismissed from the
9:30 AM Worship Service for Children’s Church.

Sunday School Classes

9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

- ➔ Nursery (newborn - 3 years) – Room 7, downstairs in Fellowship Hall
- ➔ Children’s Church for Preschool – 2nd Grade – children are dismissed
from the worship service; Room 3, downstairs in Fellowship Hall
- ➔ *First Cov Youth* – Junior High & High School; Youth Room, downstairs
in Fellowship Hall
- ➔ Café Connect – A study in Philippians; Main Room of the Peterson
House; facilitated by Mike Kellogg and Cecil Wilson

11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

- ➔ Nursery (newborn - 2 years) – Room 7, downstairs in Fellowship Hall
- ➔ Sunday School for Preschool–5th Grade – all classrooms are downstairs
in Fellowship Hall
- ➔ A study in the book of Romans; Carriage House; facilitated by Lawana
Martin.
- ➔ A study on *The Signature of God*; Church Office in the Peterson House;
facilitated by Hardy Ziesak

Because we are a family of people who have experienced the life-changing love of Christ, it is our purpose to:
bring people to the same life-changing relationship with Christ, love and nurture each other to Christ-like
maturity, equip each other for service in our church family, community and the world,
and gather together to worship God.

Coming Events

March 11	Pancake Breakfast (10:00-11:30 AM)
March 11	Hymn Sing & Dessert Social (6:00 PM)
March 17	Celebration of Life for George Gillenwater (1:00 PM)
March 18	Covenant Women's meeting at Laura Morris' home (7 PM)
March 30	Hope Reborn at FCC (7:00-9:00 PM)
March 31	Hope Reborn at FCC (10:30 AM-4:00 PM)
April 1	Easter Sunday (One Worship Service at 10:30 AM; Easter Potluck Lunch at 12 NOON)

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request or praise please note it on the back of the green registration insert and place in the offering. If you have a prayer request to send out during the weekend or after office hours, please contact Laura Morris at 599-7141 or email her at 78soccerfan@gmail.com.

Hymn Sing and Dessert Social – March 11

Join us next Sunday evening for a Hymn Sing and Dessert Social in the Peterson House. We will be singing hymns by request at 6:00 PM with a dessert social to follow. So, come sing your favorite hymns and bring your favorite dessert to share. Hope to see you there!

Celebration of Life for George Gillenwater – 3/17

There will be a Celebration of Life for George Gillenwater on Saturday, March 17 at 1 PM in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Please pray for Barbara and family during this time of grief. Cards can be sent to:

Barbara Gillenwater
Alder Bay Assisted Living
1355 Myrtle Avenue #315
Eureka CA 95501

Annual TLC Dinner Auction on Saturday, April 21

FCC will be hosting the Annual TLC Dinner Auction on Saturday, April 21. Tickets are \$30/person and may be purchased in the church office or from Lawana Martin. In order to make this a successful event we are asking for auction items. Here are some suggestions for possible donations: \$15 gift certificates (Starbucks, Jitter Bean, Target, Safeway, Winco, etc.), fire wood, paintings, gift baskets, jewelry, quilts, photographs, or services (gardening, painting, hauling, cooking, cleaning, etc.). Donated items are needed at FCC by April 17. For more information contact Lawana Martin at 442-0487.

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FCC Family Prayer Needs

March 4, 2018

Pray for those from our congregation who are serving in the military:

Jonah Knife (Navy in Helston, U.K.) Raleigh Willoughby (Marines in Washington)
Kennan Mann (Army at Fort Campbell, KY) Ryan Straub (Air Force Reserve in Maryland)
Randy Scheffler (Army National Guard – Pittsburgh, CA)

Relatives of those in our congregation who are serving in the military:

Kyle Clark (Army National Guard – Middle East) – Lena Clark's son & Denysa's brother
Jacob Conway (Navy – Pensacola, FL) – Cory & Sharie Cook's nephew
Luke Hallsten (Army in Maryland) – Mark & Kathy Hallsten's son
David Irving (Coast Guard in Kodiak, AL) – Minnie Wolf's nephew
Jessica McGayhey (Navy on USS Saratoga) – Sharon McCornack's granddaughter
Anthony Pasquale (AR) – Ron & Barbara Stephens' grandson
Sam Ratlin (Yuma, AZ) – Doug & Sandy Powell's "adopted" son
RJ Wirtz (Airforce) – Marilyn Bainbridge's grandson

Please pray for the following missionary supported by FCC:

Ross and Cindy Queener with CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) in New York City

To show support for other area churches, we ask that you pray for the following church:

Harvest Church

Scriptures to Pray for Those Who Do Not Know Christ

Father, I pray that You will draw _____ to Jesus Christ in true faith and repentance.
John 6:44

Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus, I pray that You will destroy any false ideas that _____ has about Jesus Christ and salvation through Him. Proverbs 14:12

Update on Lucas Corwin (2/27): As of 5:25 PM today, the tongue part of the surgery is done. It went well, and the doctor did not need to put in a graft. Margins are clear. The neck dissection portion of the surgery is now under way, and it will be a couple of hours more. Thank you so much for your continued prayers!

Original Request (2/27): Lucas Corwin's mom would like prayer for Lucas as he is going into surgery now. Please pray for a successful surgery and healing for Lucas. Thank you.

Update on Minnie Wolf: Thank you for praying. My surgery was just under an hour. I was home resting by 2:30 PM. The doctor told Chuck all went well. Now pray for patience, 6 weeks of very limited activity, do not strain the stomach muscles at all, no lifting over 10 pounds. Thanks Minnie Wolf

Original Request (2/23): From Minnie Wolf: I am having surgery on Monday, February 26 at 11:20 AM to repair an incision from a previous surgery. Please pray for the doctors to do a good job and for fast healing. Please no visitors. Thank you.

Prayer Requests from Sunday, February 25:

- Praise God...an epic time to be alive in Christ. Please keep me in prayer for I am praying for the Lord to prepare a place for me where I can continue to live in sanctuary, living a life, serving Him for His glory...wait for it, it will come. I pray to keep my head on High, the Holy Spirit forever guiding my way...until the glorious day I can walk in the garden with Him...Praise God!!! Thank you, Mark Grimes
- Please pray for travel safety, for good health, and good fellowship along with Bible teaching on my trip to Egypt & Israel on March 3-24. Thank you, Suzie Cook
- Please continue to pray for my dad. He had some amazingly clear days and we thought he was "out of the woods" but now he has become foggy again. Thank you, Stacey Tanuma Original Request (2/13): Please pray for my dad. He is in a recovery center and is having a rough time eliminating the CO2 gas from his body, due to chronic bronchitis and kidney failure. Once he is clear headed he can go home to convalesce. Thank you.
- I want to Praise the Lord, a prayer request has been answered. Please keep praying for another unspoken prayer request. Thank you, Jeanne Stanley

From Jeannine Brandenburg (2/22): George Gillenwater passed away last night (2/21). Please pray for peace and comfort for his wife, Barbara, and family during this time of grief. Thank you.

Update from George Eitzen (2/20): My brother's procedure went well – he had 3 stents put in. He is feeling better and will have valve replacement surgery on Tuesday, March 6. Please continue to pray for healing for Bob and strength and patience for those of us caring for him. Thank you.

Prayer Requests from Sunday, February 18:

- Update from Duane Lemley: I am happy to let you know my mom, Mary, is doing much better. Thank you for your prayers.
- William's brother, Jim, had surgery on his lung (not heart as we'd expected). They found a contained mass that had cancer that they had to remove before any heart surgery could happen. He's doing well. Thank you for all the prayers that have gone up for our family! – Karen & William Frazee
- Please pray for an unspoken prayer request. Also, please pray for Gary and Pam as the travel up here. Thank you, Jeanne Stanley
- Kevin is having surgery again on February 23 to stimulate his vocal cords. Please pray that this will work and he will be able to swallow. Thank you, Russ & Terri McNamara

From Jacque Smith (2/16): Please pray for unspoken needs for a friend. The Lord knows the issues that need to be resolved. I pray that the friend would be open to the Lord's leading. Thank you.

From Sigrid Weir (2/16): Please pray for an unspoken prayer request. Thank you.

From Stacey Tanuma (2/13): Please pray for my dad. He is in a recovery center and is having a rough time eliminating the CO2 gas from his body, due to chronic bronchitis and kidney failure. Once he is clear headed he can go home to convalesce. Thank you.

"Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances." 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18