

CONNECTION CARD

We'd love to know you were here!

Change In Contact Information

1st Time Guest

2nd Time Guest

Regular Attendee

Member

NAME _____

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This Week at FirstCov

SUNDAY 7/07	10:00am 1:00pm	Summer Worship Service (gym) Esperanza Covenant Church (rm. 222)
MONDAY 7/08	12:30 - 2:30pm	Pantry (fellowship hall)
TUESDAY 7/09	12:30 - 2:30pm	Pantry (fellowship hall)
WEDS. 7/10	2:30 - 5:00pm 6:30 - 8:00pm	Open Gym Esperanza Bible Study (rm.116)
THURS. 7/11	7:00 - 9:00pm	Worship Team/GYM
FRIDAY 7/12	6:00 - 9:00pm	Rehearsal Sr. High returns from CMMBC
SAT. 7/13	8:00 - 4:00 pm	Wedding
SUNDAY 7/14	10:00am 1:00pm	Summer Worship Service (gym) Esperanza Covenant Church (rm. 222)

The church's full calendar can be found on our website.

- Pantry Needs -

Flour, Sugar, Jam & Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Pork & Beans, Chicken & Tomato Soup, Canned Peaches & Fruit Cocktail, Canned Corn, TP, Apple Juice & Sauce, Canned Tuna and Chicken. (No hand/bath/dish soap, mac-n-cheese or black beans, we have plenty). No outdated or opened items can be accepted.

Have a prayer request? Email Our Prayer Chain at firstcovprayerchain@gmail.com

OFFICE PHONE (616) 453-6346

www.firstcovgr.org

FIRST EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

July 7, 2019

10:00am
Summer Worship Service
(Family Life Center/gym)

There will be no children's church today.
There are activity sheets at the Connection Corner.
Busy Bags are in the back hallway.

Nursery Provided

Infant	rm. 101
Toddlers	rm. 103
Preschool	rm. 108



Coffee and tea are available upstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

OUR STAFF

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES (birth - 6th Grade)

Children's Worship will resume in August.

Activity Sheets for kids in worship are available at the Connection Corner and Information Center. Show Karin your completed sheet for the answers and prize.

CLUB 56 (5th & 6th grade) Save the dates:

- Tuesday, 7/16 Bonfire @ the Alferink's! Meet at church and head to a bonfire, devotional, basketball and yard games! S'mores, hotdogs and TONS of fun!
- Tuesday, 7/23 Pool Party 6 to 8pm @ the Popa's! Wear your swimsuit and meet at the Popa's: 2767 Dixie Ave SW, Grandville.

Family Night at the Park is August 14 from 6:30 - 8pm. Meet at Walker Community Park for a night of fun & popsicles! Bring your whole family!

YOUTH MINISTRIES (7th - 12th Grade)

JUNIOR HIGH (7th & 8th grade)

Save the date!! Monday, 7/22 6:00 - 8:00pm Junior High hike & ice cream! Meet at church at 6pm and we will head to Aman Park for a short hike and then out for ice cream at Double Dip Depot!

JH & SH Cedar Point Trip, Sunday, 8/4 - Monday, 8/5 Cost is \$85. Includes one night lodging, trip to the park, and food! Must sign up by Sunday, July 21st! Contact Michelle Ludge or Josh Hinken

SENIOR HIGH (9th - 12th Grade)

THIS WEEK: Mission Trip to Covenant Mountain Bible Camp!

WEDNESDAY | JULY 17: Incoming 9th & 10th grade STEP UP Night at the Ludge's place (2115 Lamont Court) at 7pm.

WEDNESDAY | JULY 24: We are heading to the Whitecaps game! Cost is ONLY \$5 for your ticket! PLUS bring \$\$ for food. Meet at church at 5:30 pm and we will return after the game/fireworks (10:30ish).

SUNDAY | JULY 28: Pool Party at the Hansma's! Details to come.

Stay Connected: Facebook (Firstcovgr Youth Group), Instagram (Firstcovgr_sh), & Texting (txt "firstcovseniorhigh" to 31996)

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES (18 - 29)

THURSDAY | JULY 25: We are heading to the Whitecaps Game! \$2 Drinks & \$2 Hotdogs! Details to come.

Stay Connected: Stay Connected: Facebook (Firstcovgr Young Adults) & Instagram (Firstcovgr_ya)!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FirstCovgr Retreat

**A Family Camp Experience for Everyone
August 16 - 18. Portage Lake Bible Camp
See Brochures at Information Centers**

UPDATE FROM THE SEARCH TEAM - The Search Team is finishing up first round interviews with the men and women that applied for our opening. We are blessed to have several excellent applicants. Please continue to pray for discernment and complicated scheduling during the summer months. ~The Search Team

Leadership Team Meetings - Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30pm and Monday, August 19 at 6:30pm.

Pray for Mission Trip: A team of Senior high students and leaders left yesterday for Covenant Mountain Mission Bible Camp to serve 4th - 6th grade students. Please be praying for them as they are the hands and feet of Jesus this week. The list of participants is in today's prayer guide.

Worship/Tech Team Gathering - Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 to 8:00pm. Come for dinner, dessert and community. We will spend time getting to know Steve Gabriele, our interim worship leader, and his wife Patti and give them the opportunity to get to know us and our team as well. Please RSVP to Tammie George (gtmgeorge@comcast.net) (616-915-0815) or Geoff Shalow (616-206-7952)

Come to the Table this Summer! You will have the opportunity to gather for a relaxed evening of conversation, forging relationships, and sharing a meal together. Go to the Information Center to see the available dates this summer and sign up. See you at the table. Questions, contact Ginger Mastaw at 616-784-5888 or Penny Gutierrez at (847) 370-9001.

SAVE THE DATE! On Sunday July 28, during the combined 10:00 service we will be honoring our members turning 90 years old. Be sure to join us for this special day.

Men's Bible Study will start up again on September 10.

Don't forget to turn off lights when leaving rooms and make sure doors are locked when leaving church. Let's keep costs down.

July 7, 2019

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT

- Youth Ministry
- Kids Hope USA
- Children's Ministry
- Prayer Ministry
- Nursery
- Greeting/Ushering
- Baptism/Dedication
- Church Membership
- Becoming a Follower of Jesus

COMMENTS/PRAAYER REQUESTS _____
