

CONNECTION CARD

We'd love to know you were here!

Change In Contact Information

1st Time Guest

2nd Time Guest

Regular Attendee

Member

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ Landline Cell

This Week at FirstCov

SUNDAY 7/14	10:00am	Summer Worship Service (gym) Esperanza going to Thornapple Covenant Church
MONDAY 7/15	12:30 - 2:30pm	Pantry (fellowship hall)
TUESDAY 7/16	12:30 - 2:30pm 6:30 - 9:00pm	Pantry (fellowship hall) Club 56 Bonfire at Alferink's
WEDS. 7/17	2:30 - 5:00pm 6:30 - 8:00pm 6:30 - 8:00pm	Open Gym Esperanza Bible Study (rm. 116) Worship/Tech Team Gathering (fellowship hall)
	6:30 - 8:30pm 7:00 - 9:00pm	PRC Making Disciples (rm. 220) STEP UP Night 9th & 10th Grade (Ludge's)
THURS. 7/18	7:00 - 9:00pm	Worship Team/GYM
FRIDAY 7/19	10:00 - 1:00pm	God's Quilts (510 Clover Ridge NW)
SUNDAY 7/21	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 -

Canned vegetables & fruits. Spaghetti/sauce & rice-a-roni. Canned chicken, tuna, SPAM & ham. Pork -n-beans. Refried beans. Soups. Juice. Jam or jelly. Flour, sugar, condiments, coffee, & tea. Pancake mix, cereal, syrup. Puddings & Jell-O and laundry soap.
No outdated or opened items can be accepted.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

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FIRST EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

July 14, 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 at the Alferink's, 6:30 - 9:00pm! 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 6:00 - 8:00pm at 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 - 8:00pm. 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 6:00pm 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 WEDNESDAY, JULY 17: Incoming 9th & 10th grade **STEP UP Night** at the Ludge's place (2115 Lamont Court) at 7:00pm.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24: We are heading to the Whitecaps game! Cost is ONLY \$5 per ticket! PLUS bring \$\$ for food. Meet at church at 5:30pm 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**

Pregnancy Resource Team, Making Disciples class will be meeting this Wednesday evening, July 17 from 6:30 - 8:30pm in room 220.

Leadership Team Meetings - Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30pm and Monday, August 19 at 6:30pm. **Our new Leadership Team officers** are Chair: Steve Alkema, Vice Chair: Ginger Mastaw, Secretary: Tammie George, Treasurer: Steve Palma. Jeanine Holquist and Mike Gutierrez are also on the team.

This is our 2019/2020 Diaconate—Chair: Randy VanDusen, Treasurer: Dan Ahlem, Jane Gotberg, Curtis Hagberg, Lisa Deiters, and Sue Carlson.

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)

Our Come to the Table summer dinners are almost full! If you'd like to gather for a relaxed evening of conversation, forging relationships and sharing a meal together don't delay! **Go to the Connection Corner,** to sign up. Questions, contact Ginger Mastaw at 616-784-5888 or Penny Gutierrez at 847-370-9001.

SAVE THE DATE! On Sunday July 28, during the Summer/Common 10:00am service we will be honoring our members turning 90 years old in 2019. Cake will be served in the fellowship hall upstairs after the service. Be sure to join us for this special day.

It was last September Covenant Retirement Communities announced approval from its board of directors for the new corporate name, new community names and identities. Now, with all of the legal filings and documentations complete, the official rebranding to Covenant Living Communities and Services is in effect. As part of the Covenant Living family, **Covenant Village of the Great Lakes is now Covenant Living of the Great Lakes.**

Don't forget to turn off lights when leaving rooms and make sure doors are locked when leaving church.

July 14, 2019

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT

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

COMMENTS/PRAYER REQUESTS _____
