

Procedures for Attending Sunday Services

1. If you are not feeling well or experiencing symptoms for COVID-19, please stay at home. If you have been exposed to COVID-19 within the past 14 days, please stay home.
2. You must register to attend the service. Please register by calling the church office (507.647.5777) or phoning or texting the Pastor (507.995.7471). You can also email either wincov@gmail.com or garygilkinson9@gmail.com.
3. Please review the health screening checklist posted on the entry door before entering the building.
4. You may enter the building only through the front door posted "Enter Here". Once you are in the building, please have your face masks on and maintain proper social distancing.
5. Once you are in the foyer, please access the hand sanitizer and pick up a mask if you forgot to bring your own. A church bulletin will be available for personal pick up.
6. Please proceed to the auditorium and someone will meet you to assist you in being seated. You may place your church offering in the plate provided.
7. Once you are seated, feel free to talk with others while in your seat but please refrain from wandering while in the auditorium.
8. At the conclusion of the service, someone will help you in exiting the auditorium. Exiting the auditorium and the building will proceed through the Overflow Room to the back hallway and out the back door (posted "Exit Here") by the Pastor's Office.
9. Please access the hand sanitizer before exiting and deposit your mask (if you borrowed one) in the zip lock bag in the proper receptacle. Another opportunity for receiving your church offering will be available if you missed giving as you entered.
10. While visiting outside, please observe proper social distancing.

Additional Notes:

1. Please remember that this situation is temporary. Therefore, let's be sensitive to our friends and neighbors and help one another as we worship together.
2. For now the basement is closed off.
3. The nursery and child care are not available at this time.
4. Please refrain from wandering around inside the building.



Winthrop Evangelical Covenant Church

August 9, 2020

- To Love God and Make Him Known -

Prelude

Call To Worship

Invocation

Opening Hymn #430 “Blessed Assurance”

Welcome and Announcements

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading 2 Timothy 3

Message: - “The Authority for Faith: The Bible” Rev. Gary Gilkinson

Closing Hymn: # 354 “My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

Benediction:



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Darren McKinney, Chair
Greg Linsmeier, Vice Chair
Sondra Redman, Financial Officer
Tiffany Messerli, Secretary
Becky Baker
Delaine Elseth

Ministry Team Members

Jim & Debbie Wilmot, Worship Ministries
Bix Baker, Outreach Ministries
Dan & Tiffany Messerli, Education Mins.
Dale & Betty Boyum, Properties and Fac.
Chuck & Barb Peik, Care Ministries

Who we are

We are rescued

You can find life here

We are rooted

You have a place here

We are relational

You are not invisible here

We are renewed

You are family here

Finances

The approved budget for 2020 is \$156,811.50

When divided evenly, each month has a financial goal of \$13,067.63. Designated offerings and expenses are not reflected in the approved budget or in the values below. If you have any questions, please see a member of the leadership team

June General Income \$15,021.98

June General Expense \$12,955.84

YTD Actual Giving (as of the end of June) is
\$66,124.01

YTD Expense (as of the end of June is) \$68,383.22

Prayer Points

Today's Missionaries: Eugenia and Pia Restrepo in the Caribbean and Latin America serving as regional Coordinators. Also Nepal with four ministry partners and six ministry areas. See the Serve Globally Calendar page 27 for further details.

Those in need of health and strength: Jim and Sharon Kendall, Alex Fenske, Elsie Linsmeier, and others with ongoing needs.

Please Pray For: Please pray for healing for Lowell Kavan, peace and comfort for Mary and the girls and wisdom for his doctors.

Please Pray for: Jim Wilmot who is recuperating from knee surgery

Let's pray for: Mary Jo Boehning as she is recovering at home. Please also pray for Al as this is very difficult for him as well.

Please Pray: Healing for Shirley Rosnau as she recuperates from a broken hip and pray for comfort for Reuben.

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