

## 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 so we will be signing our names at the door as we enter the building.
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. Please sign the attendance register.
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. The nursery and child care are not available at this time.
3. Please refrain from wandering around inside the building.



# *Wintthrop Evangelical Covenant Church*

**October 18, 2020**

*- To Love God and Make Him Known -*

Prelude  
Call To Worship  
Invocation  
Opening Hymn # 376 "Trust and Obey"

Welcome and Announcements

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading 1 John 3:5-9

**Message: - "Obligation in Him" - Paul Menne**

Closing Hymn: # 433 "Solid Rock"

Benediction:



**Office:** 507-647-5777  
**Pastor's Cell:** 507-995-7471  
**Website:** [www.wincov.org](http://www.wincov.org)  
**Email:** wincov@gmail.com  
**Mailing Address:** Winthrop Evangelical  
Covenant Church  
P.O. Box 486  
107 W. Third Street  
Winthrop MN 55396

## Leadership Team Members

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

**September General Income** \$9,653.00

**August General Expense** \$13,336.44

**YTD Actual Giving (as of the end of September is )**  
\$98,582.50

**YTD Expense (as of the end of September is )**  
\$107,433.42

## Prayer Points

### Home

**Those in need of health and strength:** Jim and Sharon Kendall, Alex Fenske, Shirley and Reuben Rosnau, Sue Meuleners, and Jim Wilmot's mother.

**Continue to Pray For:** The continued healing and recovery for Lowell Kavan and for Jacob Espey.

**Let's continue to remember:** the Boehning Family at Mary Jo's homegoing and pray for their peace and comfort in the days ahead .

**College Student of the Week:** Matthew Henderson at Stanford University in Stanford CA.

### Country

**Let us remember:** Our country in this time of anger and unrest.

Let us also pray that we have a peaceful and efficient election and that we each examine our hearts and minds with God's direction and vote.

Please pray also for our President and his wife as well as numerous other people surrounding him, who are in recovery from the Coronavirus.

### World

**Let us pray:** For a swift and effective vaccine for the coronavirus and an efficient, fair distribution to the population of the whole world.

**Our Missionaries:** Helen and Timothy Smith in the DR Congo serving in Christian Formation and Community Development. For missionaries David and Celia Stockamp in DR Congo serving in Seminary and Pastoral Education. See the Serve Globally calendar page 55 for more details.

## Announcements

### Nursery

During this time of limitations due to Covid-19 we will not be providing a nursery for the worship service. This is subject to change as restrictions are lifted.

### Sunday Servants

Our lists of volunteers are outdated due to Covid-19 restrictions. We need volunteers in the areas of:

- Scripture Reading, Ushers, and Song Leaders. All folks interested in any of these should contact Jim and Debbie Wilmot for special instructions.
- We also need greeters. Those folks should contact Joanne Redman for instructions.
- Other areas such as Sanctuary Décor, Lawn Mowing, will continue as scheduled.
- Sound booth folks contact Eric Sandberg.
- Counting Team contact Sondra Redman.
- Those interested volunteering for Meals on Wheels or Nursing Home Devotions will have further opportunities as those areas open up to public involvement. Thank you.

### Ladies

Love to decorate for the holidays? Here's your chance to put your talents to use for the church. We are in need of someone, or a group, to take the lead on decorating for the church for Advent and Christmas. Contact JoAnn Ruff or the church office if your are moved to take this on. Thank you!

### Upcoming Dates

**October 18:** Sunday School begins today

**October 18:** LOL Kickoff

**October 24:** Youth Group 7:00 pm

### Covid 19 Update

Change can be hard but we want to thank you for your continued positive response to the current requirements to meet together in our Sunday services. Wearing of masks while in the building and social distancing can be annoying. Currently we are registering at the door as we come in and will continue with this procedure for the present time. Also please consider others as you are seated. Filling up the front sections first ensures that we maintain social distancing. Please be willing to go first and that way, everyone else can be seated promptly. Thank you for working with us.

## Announcements

### Nursery

During this time of limitations due to Covid-19 we will not be providing a nursery for the worship service. This is subject to change as restrictions are lifted.

### Sunday Servants

Our lists of volunteers are outdated due to Covid-19 restrictions. We need volunteers in the areas of:

- Scripture Reading, Ushers, and Song Leaders. All folks interested in any of these should contact Jim and Debbie Wilmot for special instructions.
- We also need greeters. Those folks should contact Joanne Redman for instructions.
- Other areas such as Sanctuary Décor, Lawn Mowing, will continue as scheduled.
- Sound booth folks contact Eric Sandberg.
- Counting Team contact Sondra Redman.
- Those interested volunteering for Meals on Wheels or Nursing Home Devotions will have further opportunities as those areas open up to public involvement. Thank you.

### Ladies

Love to decorate for the holidays? Here's your chance to put your talents to use for the church. We are in need of someone, or a group, to take the lead on decorating for the church for Advent and Christmas. Contact JoAnn Ruff or the church office if your are moved to take this on. Thank you

### Upcoming Dates

**October 18:** Sunday School begins today

**October 18:** LOL Kickoff

**October 24:** Youth Group 7:00 pm

### Covid 19 Update

Change can be hard but we want to thank you for your continued positive response to the current requirements to meet together in our Sunday services. Wearing of masks while in the building and social distancing can be annoying. Currently we are registering at the door as we come in and will continue with this procedure for the present time. Also please consider others as you are seated. Filling up the front sections first ensures that we maintain social distancing. Please be willing to go first and that way, everyone else can be seated promptly. Thank you for working with us.

## More Announcements

### Clothes Closet Ministry Update / Volunteers

Thank you to all who helped with the Clothes Closet Garage Give Away on 9/19. We were blessed by the Lord sending many workers, and some people who needed clothing for friends and family. The dining room area is cleared out now in case there is a need to use it for prayer, bible study, or other needs. The Closet has reached overcapacity for some clothing groups: Women, Men, and Infants – Toddlers, so please help us by not dropping off clothing for these groups until further notice. There is however, still some room for clothing for kids 5-teenage for now so we are able to accept clothing for this age group. We are also blessed with a new rotating crew for the Saturday Clothes Closet days. If you are interested in participating in the ministry please contact Keira and Eric Sandberg so we can work out a place to plug you in.

### Leadership Team

Greetings from the Leadership Team! You may recall earlier this year, as a church body, we discussed God's provision of "extra funds" from 2019. On February 16, Pastor Gary sent out a letter outlining the process the LT would use to determine ways to best use these funds. However, since we have been dealing with Covid-19 and all its extra challenges since March, we have not been able to proceed with that process as we had hoped. In August 2020, the Pastoral Relations Committee made the recommendation to the Leadership Team that WECC should cover the costs associated with the Green Card (permanent residency) process for Pastor Gary and Pam. The LT agreed with the recommendation and we are moving forward with it. We expect these expenses to occur in both 2020 and 2021 for a total not to exceed \$10,000. We are grateful for God's provision to be able to help the Gilkinsons in this way. If you have any questions, please see a member of the Leadership Team.

### AWANA

We are happy to announce that we have more kids than last year in Awana but we are short a few leaders. We need a leader for the Sparks group (Sparks covers K-2nd graders), we need a leader for the T&T group, (T&T covers 3rd-6th graders) and a Games Leader. Please prayerfully consider helping in this ministry. Breeze

### Audit

The 2020 mid-year financial audit is complete. The audit was performed on Wednesday, Sept 30th for financial transactions dated January 2020-August 2020. Keep up the great work Pam and Tiffany!

## More Announcements

### Clothes Closet Ministry Update / Volunteers

Thank you to all who helped with the Clothes Closet Garage Give Away on 9/19. We were blessed by the Lord sending many workers, and some people who needed clothing for friends and family. The dining room area is cleared out now in case there is a need to use it for prayer, bible study, or other needs. The Closet has reached overcapacity for some clothing groups: Women, Men, and Infants – Toddlers, so please help us by not dropping off clothing for these groups until further notice. There is however, still some room for clothing for kids 5-teenage for now so we are able to accept clothing for this age group. We are also blessed with a new rotating crew for the Saturday Clothes Closet days. If you are interested in participating in the ministry please contact Keira and Eric Sandberg so we can work out a place to plug you in.

### Leadership Team

Greetings from the Leadership Team! You may recall earlier this year, as a church body, we discussed God's provision of "extra funds" from 2019. On February 16, Pastor Gary sent out a letter outlining the process the LT would use to determine ways to best use these funds. However, since we have been dealing with Covid-19 and all its extra challenges since March, we have not been able to proceed with that process as we had hoped. In August 2020, the Pastoral Relations Committee made the recommendation to the Leadership Team that WECC should cover the costs associated with the Green Card (permanent residency) process for Pastor Gary and Pam. The LT agreed with the recommendation and we are moving forward with it. We expect these expenses to occur in both 2020 and 2021 for a total not to exceed \$10,000. We are grateful for God's provision to be able to help the Gilkinsons in this way. If you have any questions, please see a member of the Leadership Team.

### AWANA

We are happy to announce that we have more kids than last year in Awana but we are short a few leaders. We need a leader for the Sparks group (Sparks covers K-2nd graders), we need a leader for the T&T group, (T&T covers 3rd-6th graders) and a Games Leader. Please prayerfully consider helping in this ministry. Breeze

### Audit

The 2020 mid-year financial audit is complete. The audit was performed on Wednesday, Sept 30th for financial transactions dated January 2020-August 2020. Keep up the great work Pam and Tiffany!

## **Additional Announcements**

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Would you like to bless kids throughout the world this Christmas? We need a coordinator and promoter for the Operation Christmas Child project at our church. We also need people to bring items to pack in boxes, people to pack their own boxes, and people to pray for the boxes to meet needs for the kids in the countries wherever they go. Contact Bix Baker if you feel led to coordinate this project this year. Thank you, Bix Baker

### **Living Out Loud**

**Live Out Loud (LOL)** will have a kickoff Sunday, today October 18th. We will be meeting here at church at 3:00 pm.

### **Lake Beauty Bible Camp Annual Meeting**

Attention WECC members: The Lake Beauty Bible camp (LBBC) annual meeting is scheduled for Saturday October 31st. Up to two WECC members can attend this meeting as delegates. The meeting can be attended either in person or virtually (via Zoom). If you would like more information or if you would like to be a delegate, please contact Sondra Redman by Wednesday, October 21st.

### **Fall Cleanup**

Calling all Fall clean up enthusiasts!!

The men's ministry would like to know if you are interested in helping those in our church and communities who may need help with fall yard clean up, (raking, leaf blowing, leaf bagging, leaf mulching if the homeowner has a mower, other light debris clean up). There will be a limited number of appointments depending on the helper list. Women and teenagers are welcome to help out too. Kids under 13 would need to have their parents with them. Please contact Eric Sandberg (651-233-8868) if you are interested in helping with serving those with fall clean up needs; if you need help with fall clean up, or know someone with fall clean up needs.

## **Additional Announcements**

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Would you like to bless kids throughout the world this Christmas? We need a coordinator and promoter for the Operation Christmas Child project at our church. We also need people to bring items to pack in boxes, people to pack their own boxes, and people to pray for the boxes to meet needs for the kids in the countries wherever they go. Contact Bix Baker if you feel led to coordinate this project this year. Thank you, Bix Baker

### **Living Out Loud**

**Living Out Loud (LOL)** will have a kickoff Sunday, today October 18th. We will be meeting here at church

### **Lake Beauty Bible Camp Annual Meeting**

Attention WECC members: The Lake Beauty Bible camp (LBBC) annual meeting is scheduled for Saturday October 31st. Up to two WECC members can attend this meeting as delegates. The meeting can be attended either in person or virtually (via Zoom). If you would like more information or if you would like to be a delegate, please contact Sondra Redman by Wednesday October 21st.

### **Fall Cleanup**

Calling all Fall clean up enthusiasts!!

The men's ministry would like to know if you are interested in helping those in our church and communities who may need help with fall yard clean up, (raking, leaf blowing, leaf bagging, leaf mulching if the homeowner has a mower, other light debris clean up). There will be a limited number of appointments depending on the helper list. Women and teenagers are welcome to help out too. Kids under 13 would need to have their parents with them. Please contact Eric Sandberg (651-233-8868) if you are interested in helping with serving those with fall clean up needs; if you need help with fall clean up, or know someone with fall clean up needs

## Sunday Servants

Service	October 18	October 25
<b>Piano/Organ</b>	Joanne Redman	June Oman
<b>Greeters</b>	Erik Ahlstrand	Rose Adema
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Paul Menne	Penny Gnekow
<b>Sound Booth</b>	Aaron Elseth	Eric Sandberg
<b>Clothes Closet</b>	<b>10/17</b> Keira & Eric Sandberg, and June Oman	<b>10/24</b> Keira & Eric Sandberg and Rose Adema
<b>Count Team</b>	<b>Oct.</b> Sondra Redman and Bob Gnekow	<b>Nov:</b> Greg or Kay Linsmeier and Sondra Redman
<b>Sanctuary Floral</b>	<b>Oct:</b> JoAnn Ruff	<b>Nov:</b> Marlys Woods
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Oct:</b>	<b>Nov:</b>

### Weekly Calendar

<b>Sun. Oct. 18</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am	Worship Service Sunday School
<b>Mon. Oct. 19</b>		
<b>Tues. Oct. 20</b>		
<b>Wed. Oct. 21</b>	9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Ladies' Prayer Meeting AWANA Confirmation Class
<b>Thur. Oct. 22</b>	9:30 am 6:30 pm	Ladies' Bible Study Men's Bible Study-Peiks
<b>Fri. Oct. 23</b>		
<b>Sat. Oct. 24</b>	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Clothes Closet Youth Group
<b>Sun. Oct. 25</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am	Worship Service Sunday School

## Sunday Servants

Service	October 18	October 25
<b>Piano/Organ</b>	Joanne Redman	June Oman
<b>Greeters</b>	Erik Ahlstrand	Rose Adema
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Paul Menne	Penny Gnekow
<b>Sound Booth</b>	Aaron Elseth	Eric Sandberg
<b>Clothes Closet</b>	<b>10/17</b> Keira & Eric Sandberg, and June Oman	<b>10/24</b> Keira & Eric Sandberg and Rose Adema
<b>Count Team</b>	<b>Oct:</b> Sondra Redman and Bob Gnekow	<b>Nov:</b> Greg or Kay Linsmeier and Sondra Redman
<b>Sanctuary Floral</b>	<b>Oct:</b> JoAnn Ruff	<b>Nov:</b> Marlys Woods
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Oct:</b>	<b>Nov:</b>

### Weekly Calendar

<b>Sun. Oct. 18</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am	Worship Service Sunday School
<b>Mon. Oct. 19</b>		
<b>Tues. Oct. 20</b>		
<b>Wed. Oct. 21</b>	9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Ladies' Prayer Meeting AWANA Confirmation Class
<b>Thur. Oct. 22</b>	9:30 am 6:30 pm	Ladies' Bible Study Men's Bible Study-Peiks
<b>Fri. Oct. 23</b>		
<b>Sat. Oct. 24</b>	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Clothes Closet Youth Group
<b>Sun. Oct. 25</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am	Worship Service Sunday School

**Obligation in Him (1 John 3:5-9)**

**I. He takes away our sin**

But you know \_\_\_\_\_.

No one who lives in him \_\_\_\_\_.

**II. Do not be led astray - Do what is right**

Do not let anyone \_\_\_\_\_.

The one who is does right \_\_\_\_\_.

**III. Born of God**

No one who is born of God will \_\_\_\_\_.

**Obligation in Him (1 John 3:5-9)**

**I. He takes away our sin**

But you know \_\_\_\_\_.

No one who lives in him \_\_\_\_\_.

**II. Do not be led astray - Do what is right**

Do not let anyone \_\_\_\_\_.

The one who is does right \_\_\_\_\_.

**III. Born of God**

No one who is born of God will \_\_\_\_\_.