

We are the Apple of His Eye!

Ladies, join us for an a-peeling evening as we sip cider, sample some apples, make and take an appelicious treat, and find out what it means to be the apple of God's eye! **Monday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m.** at the church.

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Mark your calendar for our **Adopt a Highway Ditch Cleaning** on Saturday, October 15, at 9:00 a.m. We have two miles of ditch cleaning to do, participants need to be 12 years of age and older to help. Come prepared with gloves and work boots or leather footwear.

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New Members Class is going to be held on Saturday, October 29, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church or learning more about our denomination is invited to attend.

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**LBBC ANNUAL MEETING DELEGATES:** Darren and Gale or Breeze McKinney will serve as the WECC delegates on Saturday, October 29th.

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Mark your calendar: our next Congregational Meeting will be held on **Sunday, October 30th, at 11:00 a.m.**

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Advanced Scripture reading for next Sunday's message: **Acts 2.**

**Finances**

The approved budget for 2022 is \$175,826.12

When divided evenly, each month has a financial goal of \$14,652.18. 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.

**August General Income** \$16,339.25

**August General Expense** \$14,184.93

**YTD Income (as of the end of August is)** \$98,975.20

**YTD Expense (as of the end of August is)** \$111,415.61



*Winthrop Evangelical  
Covenant Church*

**October 9, 2022**

*~To Love God and Make Him Known ~*

Prelude

Call To Worship

Opening Hymn: #600 “We Are God’s People”

Welcome and Announcements

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 36:16-28

Message: “**The Spirit of God**” Pastor Gilkinson

Closing Hymn: #684 “We All Are One In Mission”

Benediction

## Prayer Points

### Church

Please be praying for the current finances of our church as well as our needs. We are seeking wisdom in knowing how to proceed so as to be good and faithful stewards of what we have been given.

### Home

#### **Please Pray For:**

- The family of **Dennis Weitzenkamp** who passed away recently.
- **Alice Heisel** as she continues to work through health concerns.
- **Jennifer**, Heidi Gerold’s mom, has continuing health struggles.
- George Gerold’s son, **Brayden**, who needs wisdom and guidance.
- **College Student:** Aaron Elseth is attending Bethel University in St. Paul.

#### **Those in need of health and strength:**

- Judy (Becky Baker’s friend)
- Allen (Gary Schafer’s cousin)
- Jan Gerold
- Alex Fenske
- Sue Meuleners
- Darwyn (Delaine Elseth’s cousin)
- Harlan (Greg Elseth’s cousin)

### World Alaska Covenanters Rebuild from Massive Storm

Three weeks ago, as here indigenous fishermen from villages along the western coastal areas of Alaska were gathering in their winter provisions of fish, Typhoon Merbok roared into town. Intensified by warm Pacific waters, it brought massive flooding along over a thousand miles of western Alaskan coast before blowing off into the Artic. Brian Nanninga, Alaska Conference associate superintendent for the Covenant, said that Alaskans are used to severe storms, they live in Alaska after all, but they usually hit later when all is frozen over. This one happened before the winter freeze and involved 90 mph winds and high tides up to 18 feet above normal.

Nanninga said a house in their community in Nome had a house float away, and their parsonage in Mountain Village had its roof ripped off which will need replacing before winter hits soon AND supplies will have to be brought in by plane. In Hooper Bay, 20 people are living in the church because they don’t have homes to return to.

Communities pull together and many are starting to rebuild, but the needs are daunting. And many churches are pastored by lay leaders so there is an acute need for pastoral care as well. They invite anyone to come to help or to give via the Covenant Domestic Disaster Response giving portal.

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### **Leadership Team Members**

- Eric Sandberg, Chair
- Marlys Woods, Vice Chair
- Delaine Elseth, Financial Officer
- Becky Baker, Secretary
- Phil Konsor
- Greg Linsmeier

### **Ministry Team Members**

- June Oman, Worship Ministries
- Bix Baker, Outreach Ministries
- Dan & Tiffany Messerli, Education Mins.
- Dale & Betty Boyum, Properties and Fac.
- Chuck & Barb Peik, Care Ministries

## Sunday Servants

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| <b>Sound Booth</b>      | Evan Ryd                                             | Eric Sandberg                   |
| <b>Nursery</b>          | Pam Gilkinson, Claire Messerli, Asher & Emi McKinney | Tiffany, Eden & Claire Messerli |
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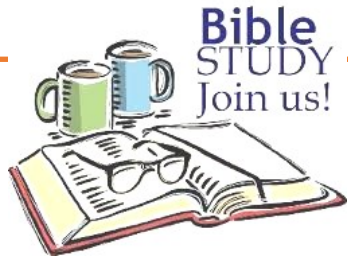
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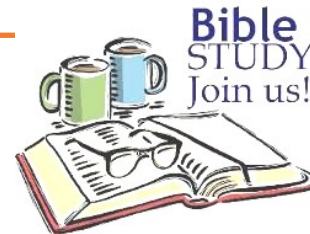
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