• FIRST COVENANT CHURCH of Omaha CONNECTION CARD

Date _____ Name(s), Email, Phone:

First Time Guest

Return Guest

Regular Attender

☐ Member(s)

What is Your Next Step today?

□ I am making a first-time commitment to trust and follow Jesus

□ I am taking steps back to God (I've been away)

□ I am taking a step to give God this area of my life:

□ I am taking a step to:

□ I would like a pastor to contact me about my next-step decision



PRELUDE: Christmas Collage

PROCESSIONAL

ADVENT LIGHTING & READING: Bob and Diane Drake

CHOIR ANTHEM: Child of the Promise Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates #126

WELCOME

Come As You Are

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 11:1-10 Scripture Reader: Lacey Markt

Waiting Here For You

SERMON: Peace Pastor Mary Peterson

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERING - Ding, Dong, Merrily On High *Glory Be to the Father #112*

OFFERATORY PRAYER

Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE - Come Thou Long Expected Jesus v. 2

POSTLUDE: For Unto Us A Child Is Born · 读· FIRST COVENANT of Omaha

Our Vision:

Love God and Our Neighbors

December 09, 2018

Luke 10:27



We're glad you've chosen to join us this morning! Childcare is available during the service for infants and toddlers in Room 204. During the offering, children ages 3 - 2nd grade are invited to Children's Worship in room 207. We return during the last song. We'd also love for you to join us for coffee and refreshments after the service in the Fellowship Hall. Just ask an usher to point you in the right direction.



New Members

The following individuals have applied for membership at First Covenant Church: Lukas and Lauren Rathjen, Abe and Melissa Lambert. They have all gone through our membership class and had a positive interview with our Lead Team. The Lead Team is honored to present these folks to our church for membership approval. Should you have any concerns, please contact our church chair David Hemphill at dchemphill1@gmail.com.

Choir Christmas Concert and Tea

Please join us tonight at 5:00p.m for Choir Christmas Concert, Dancers and Tea. All are welcome, come for all or part of the festivities!

Staff Christmas

As a church family, Christmas is the time of year we set aside to express our deep appreciation to our staff and their families. If you would like to participate in this financial gift of love, please place your donation in the offering plate, pay online at fccomaha.org/give or mail a check to the church by December 16. Please indicate that your gift is for the church staff. We appreciate your generosity.

Nursery Support

We are looking for four loving adults to help support our nursery for the next few months during worship and Covenant Groups. Please contact Pastor Mary if you are interested in helping out.

Tree of Books

It's that time of year again - time for giving to the Tree of Books. This is our annual fundraiser, the one time during the year that we call upon you for support for our library. You will find one of the librarians standing outside the door of the library, waiting to receive your gifts. Remember to fill out a receipt so that you an include it in your church giving for the year. Thank you for your generous giving to our library which allows us to fulfill our mission statement, to provide a balance of literature for varied ages and interests and to promote individual spiritual growth and wholesome reading. Thank you!

Yale Park Family Needs

Thanks for the first round of items for the Yale Park family! Items have been delivered to the family. They are a Christian family from the Karen tribe in Thailand/ Myanmar. We're hoping to furnish their house with beds/bedding in the next two weeks. To make sure the family gets what they need, we have created an Amazon Wish List. You can shop online and the items will be delivered to the church. If you would like to be on the delivery team or help them set up beds, please contact Jim Small at 402-740-1883. Please visit http://a.co/4nmXyNy. If you need help with the online ordering, don't hesitate to reach out to anyone in the office!

Christmas Cards

Want to send Christmas cards to your church friends? You may leave cards (and pick up your own) in the boxes located in the hallway near Coby Fishers' office. Donations (in lieu of postage) are appreciated to support summer youth trips.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAISE

- **PEACE** that comes in Jesus
- Those that worked to decorate the church for Christmas
- Those delivering poinsettias to home bound this week
- Those making decisions to trust Jesus as Savior
- · Generous people that gave to the benevolence fund

PRAY FOR

- Elaine Quinn as she broke her leg this week
- Peace in chaotic world
- Our nation and leaders
- Families grieving at loss of loved ones
- Christmas concert and tea today
- Continuing generous giving
- Church leaders & vital discussions
- Sudanese Covenant Church Johnson Thach
- Chin Immanuel Church Jahei Thabal
- Burmese family we at FCC are helping in resettlement

HOMEBOUND

Pat Bivens

Bob Carlson

Dean BraggLois LandisBill HammondRae OlsonJeannette HorwathJeff PinegarRudy HorwathElaine QuinnMax JamesGladys Vermillion

Charlotte White Shirley Woodward Jim Harrel

Alaina Shelsta

Bonny Swaggard

Please keep this confidential

- Add this to bulletin prayer sheet
- Add this to email prayer chain
- I would like a pastor to call

I would like more information:

- Receive "The Loop" (weekly emails)
- Receive Prayer Chain email updates
- Beginning a relationship with Jesus
- Explore FCC (what are we about?)
- Joining FCC on Mission (Membership)
- Small Groups / Bible Studies
- Children's / Youth Ministry
- onrealm.org/FirstCovChurch
- FCC Facebook Group

Prayer/Comments/Updates

Please use this space for any of your prayer requests. We pray for these every week at staff meeting. You may also use this space for helpful comments or other information for the office such as address changes. If you are a guest, welcome!

Please let us know how you found First Covenant or who you came with this morning.

• PASTORAL STAFF

PRAYERS FOR ONGOING NEEDS

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