

FIRST COVENANT
CHURCH of Omaha
**CONNECTION
CARD**

Please Place in Offering Plate

Date: December, 01, 2019
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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING -
LOVE**

O Come O Come Emmanuel #120

Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

Jesus

DRAMATIC SCRIPTURE READING:

Isaiah 11:1-12

Scripture Reader: Steve Miller

SERMON:

The Place Where Love Grows

Pastor Mary Peterson

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING: Pat-A-Pan

COMMUNION

Hungry

All Who Are Thirsty

BENEDICTION

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LOVE

— Season of Advent —

OUR VISION:

LOVE GOD AND OUR NEIGHBORS

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 Advent, children are welcome to remain in worship. Please visit the activity table for colors, books and other things to help kids engage. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting on December 15th at noon to vote on the conceptual plans for the new building.

Benevolence Fund Offering

Donations benefiting the Benevolence Fund will be collected during service today. Since our last special offering \$14,000 has been spent from the fund. This money has been used to assist people with food, clothing and shelter as well as to support the food pantry at Countryside Church.

Deck the Halls

Join the fun of decorating the church on Tuesday, December 3rd at 6 p.m. (or anytime after dinner). Everyone is welcome! Please meet in the Sanctuary.

Christmas Caroling & Chili

Come and share Christmas joy with our senior church family. We will go out caroling and deliver poinsettias, then return to church for chili, cinnamon rolls, and fellowship.

DATE: 12/08 (Sun). **TIME:** 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm.

LOCATION: Meet at church at 2:30 for assignments. Please RSVP at the Information Center after service, via the Loop or visit fcomaha.org. There is also a sign-up sheet available at the Information Center for those interested in bringing chili, condiments to share.

Family Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 11, 6:30-8 PM. Hot chocolate, crafts, dancing, photo & a visit from Santa. Please bring friends and family! Contact Pastor Mary at pastormary@firstcovenantomaha.org with questions.

Angel Tree

Our Angel Tree is all set up now by the Information Center upstairs. This year we have 30 residents from Maple Crest Health Center. Many of these residents have no family or friends to visit them. Choose an ornament and on the back of it are 3 items that the individual has requested. Please bring your gift with the name on it by Sunday, December 15th. The gifts will be delivered to the home on the 16th. Thank you for bringing joy to these residents at Christmas!
The Mission Team.

Christmas Open House

The Owls, CCF, and Crescendo groups are invited to Dave and Pam Norlen's home (3516 S. 184th Ave.) for a Christmas Open House, fellowship and food on Saturday, Dec. 14th anytime from 4 PM to 7 PM. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAISE

- Celebration of God coming into our world this Advent & Christmas Season
- Joy of celebrating communion today
- Our nation and the freedoms we enjoy
- Our senior adults that have and are continuing to serve at FCC
- Sister churches experiencing renewal
- Covenant groups and leaders
- Gifted staff and lay leaders at FCC and Midwest Conference

PRAY FOR

- Revival and renewal of vision for FCC
- Many Advent and Christmas events
- Our students of all ages
- Plans for our Winter-Spring Covenant Groups
- Those experiencing grief and health issues
- Caregivers of needy family members
- Our nation and its leaders
- Continued unity and vision for "Building On A Faithful Heritage"
- Churches in transition and changes

HOMEBOUND

Bill Freeman	Ruth McIntire	Charlotte White
Bill Hammond	Larry Rundlett	Shirley - Woodward
Jim Harrel	Bonny Swaggard	
Rudy Horwath	Gladys Vermillion	
Donna Langbeh	Bjarne Westhoff	

PRAYERS FOR ONGOING NEEDS

Naida - Aschenbrenner	Pat Bivens Bob Carlson	Juergen Janzik Alaina Shelsta
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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.

- 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
- FCC Database/Directory
- FCC Facebook Group



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CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND TEA

Joy Has Dawned

DECEMBER 15, 2019
5:00 PM

PASTORAL STAFF

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