



Confirmation Sunday

May 5 - 10:45 AM

Come support our latest group of confirmands and hear their stories of faith on Sunday, May 5th.



Global 6K

May 18th - 9:00 AM

Registration is open for the Covenant Kids Congo Global 6K for Water! Sponsored by World Vision and the Evangelical Covenant Church, the Global 6K is a community-building event that benefits children and families in the Democratic Republic of Congo who typically walk six kilometers for water. Your registration fee and participation in the event directly helps to provide the life-giving gift of clean water!

The Global 6K will begin at Community Covenant, 15770 Q Street. Arrive at 9:00 AM, the walk begins at 9:30 AM, Saturday, May 18th. The course will take participants through the neighborhood near the church, to Lake Zorinsky, and back to the church. The course is bike, stroller, and scooter-friendly, so register and bring the whole family!

You can register now for [Omaha Covenant Churches](#) at World Vision.



Fast Facts: Global Water Crisis

- 785 million people lack access to clean water. That's one in 10 people on the planet.
- Women and girls spend an estimated 200 million hours hauling water every day.
- The average woman in rural Africa walks 6 kilometers every day to haul 40 pounds of water.
- Every day, more than 800 children under 5 die from diarrhea caused by contaminated water, poor sanitation, and unsafe hygiene practices.
- 2 billion people live without access to adequate sanitation.

What Are the Benefits of Clean Water?

An investment in clean water, combined with adequate sanitation and hygiene behavior change, is one of the most effective ways to improve lives and fight extreme poverty. The benefits include:

- Families becoming healthier: Water, sanitation, and hygiene programs work together to powerfully prevent the spread of most illnesses and are one of the most effective ways to reduce child deaths.
- Children getting better nourishment: Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene help kids grow taller, smarter, and stronger. They get more nutrition from the food they eat because they're not sick. Families are able to use water to irrigate their gardens for more nutritious food year-round.
- Children attending and excelling in school: When children don't have to walk long distances to get water, they have more time to attend school and more energy to learn. This is especially important for girls, who most often collect water for their families.
- Family income improving: Families spend less money on healthcare and are better able to pay for things like school supplies and fees. Clean water is also used for income-generating activities like making soap, bricks, and shea butter, as well as watering livestock and gardens.

Operation Restoration!

The Children's Christian Formation Team is excited to host a VBS event titled "Operation Restoration" on the evenings of June 12-14, from 5:30-8:00 PM. However, we cannot do this alone and need your help to make this event a success! We need volunteers for a variety of roles including Group Leaders, Station Leaders, Meal Preparation, and more. If you are interested in helping out, please contact [Monica](#) or [Pastor Coby](#) for more details. Thank you!



Thank you Monica!

On Sunday, May 5th we will be recognizing Monica Fisher, our Children's Ministry Coordinator. In her role as Children's Ministry Coordinator, Monica prepares activities for children; leads Godly Play during worship; evaluates and chooses formation curriculum; schedules volunteers; organizes children's classrooms and materials and so much more! Be sure to show your appreciation to Monica for all she does to care for our children.



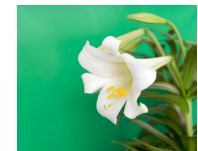
Bridal Shower

Thank you to the hostesses and all who participated in last week's Bridal Shower for Andrea Atkinson!



Thank You

A big thank you to First Covenant Church for the beautiful Easter Lily. It has been a joy to watch the flowers unfold. Thank you for thinking of us. Gunnar & Ingrid Westhoff

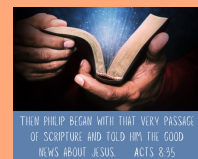


Intergenerational Orchestra of Omaha

Attention musicians and singers...Grant Magnuson has made us aware of an opportunity here in Omaha. The Intergenerational Orchestra of Omaha provides space for musicians under 25 and over 50. They welcome new musicians and singers, as well as people to attend their concerts. Click [here](#) for more information.



Scripture for this week: Acts 8:26-40



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