



July 21st - August 25th 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Are you looking forward to the upcoming election season? Do you think we engage politics in a healthy way? Do you long for a better way? We are excited for our next Community Conversations: Politics. We will engage with "The After Party: Toward Better Christian Politics". This curriculum helps the church better engage with the politics of our land, seeking to be faithful to following Jesus. We will meet beginning July 21 from 11-12:30 for six weeks. For more information please watch this [video](#). You can sign up [here](#) on Realm.



July this summer - 8:30 AM

Lectio Divina has been extended through July! Spend some time on Sunday mornings in scripture with the practice of Lectio Divina. We will meet at 8:30 AM in the library and use the morning's scripture for our practice. Questions contact Cathy Christiansen.



Meet our new members Cole & Mary Kate Anderson and Cathy Mann Christiansen. If you didn't get a chance to welcome them this past Sunday, please extend a warm welcome to them soon.

Cole & Mary Kate Anderson

Shortly after we got married, we came to First Covenant looking for something new and found just what we were looking for. We have been married for 3 years, have a golden retriever we adore (Sully) and are expecting our first baby in just a few weeks. We also love time with friends & family, beach vacations, and following our favorite sports teams.



Cathy Mann Christiansen

I enjoy being involved at First Covenant! I have been married to Scott for 45 years, we have 3 sons, 2 are married. Sign Language interpreting is my life-long profession. I am a Spiritual Director and am very involved with Nebraska Contemplative Outreach. I love birds (especially Hummingbirds), reading and leading workshops and retreats.



Here is a quick recap of last Sunday's annual meeting. The 2023 Congregational Meeting minutes were approved as revised. New officers and team leaders were approved. Andrew Lieben presented the 2023-24 financial report and the proposed 2024-25 fiscal year budget. The budget for 2024-25 was approved. Here are your new officers and team leaders:

Julie Kraaz - Lead Team; Bob Drake - Lead Team Vice-Chair; Blair Andrews - Lead Team Chair; Maddie Lickteig - Student Christian Formation; Jim Small - Nominating Committee; Andrew Kejr - Adult Christian Formation; Diane Drake - Love the World/Love Omaha; Larry McChesney - Properties; Melissa Lambert - Personnel Team; Terri Small - Personnel Team



Pastor Greg was in Cincinnati, OH the last week of June for the Covenant Church's Annual Meeting. It was a wonderful time to hear about the amazing things God is doing in our denomination. Enclosed is a two page summary of the business meeting of the church.



Do you sing or play an instrument? The worship team would love to have you join them. Reach out to [Chris Wright](#) to get connected.



First Covenant Church has had the opportunity to support the Omaha Street School this past year. Along with collecting donations of food, our Retired Men's Group has provided lunch on a couple of occasions. This summer the Omaha Street School is seeking donations to support their programming. Summer is here but kids still need hope, expenses continue as the Omaha Street School prepares for the next school year. If you are interest in donating you can learn more at the [Omaha Street School](#) website.



Summer barbecues and the *Unoffendable* book discussion continues next Wednesday, July 10th.



1 King 18:16-46