



Pass It On

March, 2020

Dawson Covenant Church

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While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

Matthew 17:5-8

For such a short passage, these verses are packed with meaning. They give us a profound window not only into why Jesus came in human form, but also speak to our experience as disciples in this life. These verses are part of the larger Transfiguration narrative. Jesus takes a few of his disciples away from the crowds and up on to a mountaintop -- a place that more than once has symbolized a space for meeting God. The Father does not disappoint, first sending Moses and Elijah to greet Jesus and then the spectacular display described above. Many of us understand the importance of Jesus sacrificial work on the cross. To die so that we might live. However, on full display here is another reason for Christ that we may sometimes overlook -- human beings are downright terrified when they get the smallest taste of the glory of God. Throughout scripture, the most common response to an encounter with God or an angelic messenger of God, is terror. There is something about the amazing otherness of God that causes the sinful human being fear and trembling.

The arc of the journey for the disciples go from following Jesus, to confusion, then terror, and finally back to following Jesus. Had it not been for Jesus' reassurance, I'm not sure Peter and the other disciples would have taken their faces out of the dirt. It is Jesus, God in human flesh that is able to come to them, touch them, tell them not to be afraid in a way that they actually seem to be reassured. You can't miss the tenderness of God in the actions of Jesus here, actions that are made possible because he took on human flesh. It is through the common bridge of humanity that God connects with us in ways that were not possible otherwise.

I've always been struck by the words in verse 8: "When they looked up they saw only Jesus." How many times have we hid ourselves out of fear to the call of God, or to the threats of this life, only to eventually find it is Jesus who is pursuing us? Perhaps at this very moment you are in a time of life that is fearful. In my own life I have found again and again, that the way forward out of the fear starts with singular focus on Christ. It is in Christ alone that our fears can be put to rest. Fear will inevitably visit us. The trick is not in avoiding fear all together, but rather to learn to raise our heads and see only Jesus.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Erik

**While he yet spoke,
behold, a bright cloud
overshadowed them: and
behold a voice out of the
cloud, which said, This is
my beloved Son...**

—Matthew 17:5

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
10:30 a.m.	Prayer Meeting
10:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Confirmation

Community Prayer Service

A community prayer service will be held on Tuesday, March 17 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Presbyterian Church in Dawson. This monthly service is hosted by a different church within the Dawson-Boyd Ministerium each month.

Open House Baby Shower

An open house baby shower will be held for parents-to-be Darren and Bayley Schluter on Saturday, March 21 at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.



Covenant World Mission is our mission of the month for March. The vision of the Evangelical Covenant Church is to see more disciples among more populations in a more caring and just world. By God's grace Covenant World Mission seeks to fulfill that mission by being:

- Disciples true to God's mission of love and grace;
- Participants in God's sending to all nations;

- Companions with all God's people serving God's Kingdom;
- Partners in God's work of transformation and reconciliation.

You can support global projects and missionaries through Covenant World Mission. Your gift will empower missionaries and international partner ministries as they seek to proclaim the gospel in over thirty countries around the world. There will be baskets in the back of the sanctuary to collect for CWM throughout the month of March. If you would like more information about CWM visit www.covchurch.org/mission. CWM thanks you for your investment and much appreciated partnership in world mission ministries.



A new gym use policy has been posted on the bulletin boards and is also available on the website. If you have any questions about the policy, please see Steven, Pastor Erik or one of the Church Council members.

GYM POLICY

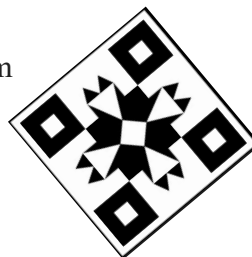


DAWSON COVENANT QUILTERS

2020 Schedule first and third Thursdays from 10am – 3pm

Jan 9 & 23	May 7 & 21	Sept 3 & 17
Feb 6 & 20	June 4 & 18	Oct 1 & 15
Mar 5 & 19	July 2 & 16	Nov 5 & 19
Apr 2 & 16	Aug 6 & 20	Dec 3 & 17

*July date may change to 2nd & 4th Thurs because of 4th of July



SERVING SCHEDULES

Sunday, March 1

Communion Servers:

Becky & Daryl Schutte, Joyce & Charlie Busiahn

Greeter:

Dolly Jibben

Scripture Reader:

Heather Diaz

Sunday, March 8

Greeter:

Sather Family

Scripture Reader:

JT Ulstad

Sunday, March 15

Greeter:

Buer Family

Scripture Reader:

Dean Pearson

Sunday, March 22

Greeter:

Henry & Fran Greiner

Scripture Reader:

Justin Perkins

Sunday, March 29

Greeter:

Manley & Laurel Peterson

Scripture Reader:

Laurel Peterson

MAILBOXES

A reminder that the mailboxes for Pastor Erik, Steven, Karla and their families are located in the fellowship hall. Some additional family mailboxes are located there as well due to the limited number of boxes available in the hallway. If you're looking for a specific box you can't find, check the fellowship hall! You can also find mailboxes for the treasurer and secretary there. We are trying to post all sign-up sheets on the small bulletin board in the fellowship hall as well for easier access and better visibility.

2020 Church Council

The church council members for 2020 are listed below. Contact information for each council person is posted on the bulletin board at church.

Laurel Peterson, Council Chair
Joyce Busiahn, Secretary
Duane Haugen, Treasurer
Loral Webster, Financial Secretary
John Sather
John Lee
Kayla Koch
Gary Goplen
Ashley Tensen

Ex-officio members include Pastor Erik Carlson and Steven Diaz. Church secretary, Karla Perkins also attends meetings to record minutes.



A PLACE SET APART WHERE THE HEART, MIND, BODY AND SOUL OF EVERY GUEST CAN ENCOUNTER THE LIVING GOD.

Get ready for another great summer at LBBC. This year theme is 'Return of the King.' April 6th is the registration deadline to receive an early bird discount. The discount is \$10 for Frontier Kids and \$20 for the other camps. See Bonnie, camp representative, for the Church's Transfer Code, and you can go on-line at www.lbbc.com to register. Remember the church pays half of each camper's fee for the children from our church family. A \$50 deposit is required when you register. (The \$50 deposit will be deducted from the half of the parents share.)

If you have any questions contact Bonnie (507-200-2770) or visit Lake Beauty Bible Camp (320-732-3218) at lbbc.com.

For information on upcoming spring activities at Lake Beauty Bible Camp, visit their website.

Junior High #1	June 7-12
Trailblazer #1	June 14-18
Frontier Kids #2	June 30-July 2
Senior High	July 26-31

2020 Committee Chairs

The following administrative committees have been established at Dawson Covenant Church. You do not have to be a member of the church to be involved with a committee. Everyone is invited to participate! The committee chairs are members of the church council and are as follows:

Evangelism & Outreach: Laurel Peterson, Kayla Koch

Missions: Gary Goplen

Administration: John Lee

Finance: Duane Haugen, Loral Webster

Christian Education, Discipleship & Personnel Committee: Kayla Koch

Music & Worship: Joyce Busiahn

Fellowship & Service: Ashley Tensen

Properties: John Sather

Dawson Covenant Church at Lake Beauty

DCC has reserved Lake Beauty Bible Camp for the weekend of July 31 - August 2. Cabins and campgrounds are available for rent. Cabins hold up to 14 people and campsites have full hook-ups. Our weekend at camp includes 4 meals (Saturday breakfast, lunch, supper and Sunday breakfast), 2 nights lodging, and meeting room to use. Rates per person are:

Adults (9th grade & up)	Cabin: \$102.00 Campground: \$75.00
Youth (K-8th grade)	Cabin: \$51.00 Campground: \$38.00
Infant through Pre-K	No Charge

Activities that can be added for additional cost include Horse Trail Rides, Climbing tower & zip line, High Ropes Activities, Archery Tag, Pontoon Rental. Other activities like Gaga Ball, 9 Square, Disc Golf, Carpet Ball, Volleyball or Basketball are available at no additional cost.

The swimming beach will be open as long as parents are present and take responsibility for their own children.

We are also permitted to bring a boat, fishing gear and games. Each cabin and campsite has a fire pit. No pets allowed in cabins.

Any questions? Please contact Tina Harding 320-769-4754/320-226-2577

Payment is due in full on or before June 1.



Volunteer nurses are needed for summer camps. If you are an RN, EMT or licensed practitioner, we would love for you to help care for our campers: Junior High 1-June 7-12, Junior High 2-July 12-17, Trailblazer 3-July 19-23. Contact Phil at program@lbbc.com for more information. Thank you for supporting and praying for us as we prepare for SUMMER camps!



1	Daniel Bevis*
1	Sullivan Graven
1	Kim Lindblad
3	Solomon Citrowske
3	Ralph Gerbig
3	Brandon Ulstad
3	Stephanie Weber
4	Joyce Busiahn
4	Paul Iverson
5	Simeon Delp*
6	Susan Kamrath
6	Kadyn Perkins
7	Josh Horst
7	John Norland
8	Emerson Haugen
8	Jacob Koch
10	Abby Myers
10	Courtney Ulstad
11	John Kostad
11	Henry Greiner
11	Deb Schluter
11	Tyson Weber
12	Daryl Schutte
13	Joyce Pearson
15	Bonnie Gustafson
17	Evelyn Hanson
17	Kate Ulstad
18	Jennifer Graven
20	Sylvia Rosendahl*
21	Charlie Busiahn
21	Brian Horst
22	Derek Fjerkenstad
22	Julie Fjerkenstad
22	Kannon Wicht
23	Paula Byhaug
26	Derek Horst

*Missionary

Electronic & On-Line Giving

Dawson Covenant offers electronic giving as a way to automate your regular offering donations. To set up an electronic giving schedule, please complete the Automatic Payment Authorization Form, which can be found on the table in the entry, and place it in the Treasurer's mailbox or the collection plate.

On-line giving is also available through our website at www.dawsoncovenantchurch.org. You can use your checking account, debit card or credit card. If you have any questions, please see Duane Haugen or Loral Webster.

Church Council Notes

The church website has a password protected page where you will find the Church Council Meeting notes and other kinds of information that we want to share with our church family but not necessarily post publicly on the web. Please contact Karla Perkins to get the password. The church website is:

www.dawsoncovenantchurch.org, then click on the "Members" tab. Church council meeting notes are also posted on the bulletin board, and past meeting notes are available to view anytime in the church office.

DAWSON COVENANT CHURCH IS ON-LINE AND ON T.V.

Did you know you can view our past worship services online anytime? Visit our website at dawsoncovenantchurch.org.

Worship services are also shown on local cable t.v. in Dawson at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday and in Madison at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Like us on facebook to receive updates and reminders on your facebook newsfeed!

PASS IT ON CONTACT INFORMATION

Deadline for the April *Pass It On* is Wednesday, March 25.

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Pastor's Office Hours

Pastor Erik scheduled office hours are as follows:

Monday Off

Tuesday 8:30-2:30

Wednesday 8:30-2:30

Thursday 8:30-2:30

Friday 8:30-2:30

Other times he is available by appointment, and may be reached at church at 320-769-2255 or on his cell at 320-305-9304.

Steven Diaz, Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry can be reached at church on his cell at 720-940-4143.



ON-LINE GIVING

Online giving is available through our website and is a powerful way to faithfully give in a consistent manner. Visit the church website at www.dawsoncovenantchurch.org to learn more or to sign-up.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES



Kevin & Sylvia Rosendahl
Joel & Kim Delp
Covenant World Mission
Covenant Youth of Alaska
Randy & Cheryl Bevis
Doug & Jill Nelson
Emma Weber
Luke & Emma Christie-Perkins
Prairie Waters Growing Project
KICY
Joy Boxes

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 8:15 Choir Rehearsal 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Meeting 10:45 Sunday School & Confirmation 12:00 Potluck Meal with Tolberts	2	3 7:00 Church Council Meeting	4 2:00 Release Time 6:00 Midweek Fellowship 6:30 Pioneer Kids, Hi-League & Adult Study	5 10:00 Quilting	6	7
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