



Pass It On

June, 2018

Dawson Covenant Church

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CONFIRMATION

Confirmation was held on Sunday, May 20 with 10 students being confirmed. Pictured from left to right in the first row are McKenzie Ruether, Parker Steinke, Kannon Wicht, Wyatt Wiebe, and Vi Horst. In the back row are Charlie Ulstad, Wylie Wiebe, Ezekiel Sather, Katelynne Ashling, Cade Buer and Pastor Erik Carlson. We wish congratulations to these students as we pray for them to continue to learn and grow in their faith.



BUSINESS MEETING

The quarterly congregational business meeting will be held on Sunday, June 3 immediately following the worship service. All members are encouraged to stay after the worship service to attend this meeting.

Ice Cream Social

A planning meeting for the annual Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, June 10 following the morning worship service. Please come to the meeting with any ideas or suggestions for this year's program and meal.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is being planned jointly with Crossroads Lutheran Church of Dawson and will be held August 5-9 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. A meal will be provided to kids and volunteers at 5:30 p.m. each evening. More information will be coming soon!

Eagle's Rest International Ministry



Mission of the Month

Throughout the month of June we will especially keep in prayer our mission of the month, Eagle's Rest International Ministry and Doug and Jill Nelson. Taken from their facebook page, Eagle's Rest is, *"An international ministry dedicated to sharing the Good News and developing faith and the unity of the Spirit among followers of the Lord Jesus Christ."*

It goes on to say, *"Our unique approach to sharing the Good News and fostering faith and unity is to come alongside other ministries to undergird their efforts and to serve them in any manner the Lord puts into our hands to do. Our core concept is to help provide rest and refreshment to full time ministers so that they might go forth strengthened and energized to train and serve the Body of Christ to do the work of the ministry."*

Doug and Jill Nelson are currently serving in Thailand. We will collect a special offering for them throughout the month of June.

Giving at Dawson Covenant Church

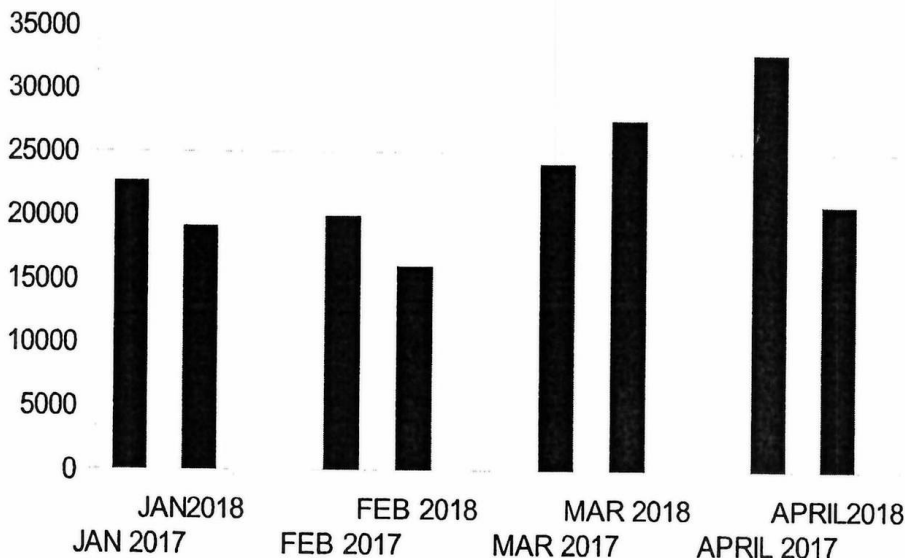
The graph below is a comparison of receipts for the first months of the year in 2017 compared to 2018. This graph is provided as a visual reference so that the congregation can see the income that is received each month and how reduced giving might affect our budget. Our mortgage payment due each month is approximately \$4,000. In addition, there are many months that we have been able to pay down an additional \$10,000 in principal.

January 2017	\$22,713
January 2018	\$19,149
February 2017	\$19,957
February 2018	\$16,051
March 2017	\$24,158
March 2018	\$27,610
April 2017	\$32,899
April 2018	\$20,907

Financial Snapshot

Below are the account balances as of the end of April, 2018:

General account	\$7,003
Savings account	\$21,423
Building Fund	\$6,726
Mortgage balance	\$339,051



SHINE
This Summer

Nursery



**Volunteers
Needed**

The nursery is an important part of our ministry to families with young children. Adults and high school students are needed to staff the nursery during Sunday services each week. Please sign up in the fellowship hall if you are able to help in the nursery this summer. Thank you for serving in this important way!

District Blitz 2018

A large group of Hi-Leaguers attended District Blitz, a retreat offered by Converge North Central and the Evangelical Free Church. They were invited to attend this retreat along with the Calvary Baptist youth group. Chaperones included Andy Greiner from DCC and Pastor Eric Spickelmier, Shelly Stafki, and Nicole Siedschlag from CBC. The kids had a great time hanging out with other Christians and learning about the love of Jesus and our mission for Christ.



The photo at top left shows the group of over 20 kids from our combined Hi-League with Calvary Baptist Church who attended District Blitz.

Chaperones Shelly Stafki and Nicole Siedschlag from CBC are pictured at top right. They also help out with the youth group on Wednesday evenings.

The photo at left shows the group hard at work cleaning up trash in a park as part of their service work during District Blitz.



THANK YOU!

Our regular Wednesday evening youth activities wrapped up at the end of May. A very special thank you to the volunteers from Dawson Covenant Church including Shane Myers, Andy Greiner, Kayla Koch and Emma Weber for volunteering their time each week and filling in as needed. We are also thankful for the volunteers from Calvary Baptist Church including Pastor Eric Spicklemier, Joe and Shelly Stafki and Nicole Siedschlag who give so much of their time to our youth. Thank you to those who provided and served meals as well!

MUUUCE stands for "The Most Unbelievable, Ultimate, Urban, Camping Experience." This high-energy, fast-moving, multi-day event is designed to give middle schoolers and junior highers a chance to connect with Christ and their peers.

This event is designed and hosted by Crossroads Covenant Church in Woodbury, MN and includes students from the NW Conference.

If you have a middle schooler you should have received a registration form in your church mailbox. See Phil for more information.



This year's camp theme is "Discover the Truth!" *And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. John 8:32.*

Summer camps are here! We have several kids from our congregation attending camps this summer. Please keep them in prayer.

Junior High #1 June 10-15
Trailblazer #1 June 17-21

For more information visit Lake Beauty at lbbc.com, call them at (320)732-3218, or email them at lbbc@lbbc.com. Or talk with our own camp representative, Bonnie Gustafson.



Opportunity to join in ministry at Lake Beauty Bible Camp

We are inviting our licensed health care professionals a chance to come enjoy a week of camp! If you are an RN, EMT, or licensed practitioner, we would love for you to help care for our campers. In order for us to run a week of camp we must have a licensed health care professional available throughout the week of camp. To give you yet another reason to consider joining God in His ministry at Lake Beauty, we are able to offer you one free week of camp for a camper of your choice as a thank you for volunteering your time with us this summer!

Please email Matt, or call (320) 732-3219.



Congratulations

A special time of recognition and prayer was held for Johnathan Kimmel who recently graduated from Dawson-Boyd High School. His church family wishes him all the best and will keep him in prayer as he continues his education in Watertown, SD.

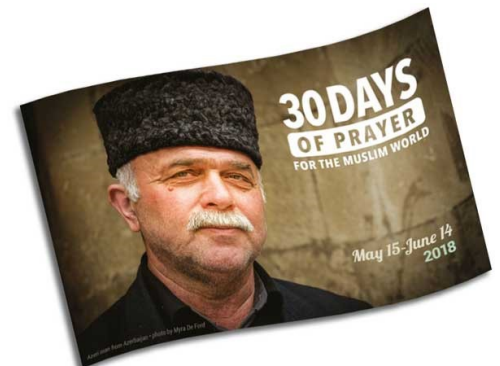


30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World

Everyone should have received a prayer booklet titled, *30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World*, in their church mailbox. *30 Days of Prayer* is an international movement that began in 1993. It calls the church to make a deliberate but respectful effort to learn about, pray for and reach out to our world's Muslim neighbors. It coincides annually with the important Islamic month of religious observation — Ramadan, a time of the year when Muslims are much more deeply aware of spiritual matters.

While media sound bites about Islamic extremism can too easily incite anger, fear and even hatred towards Muslims, we seek to resist this temptation to generalize, and instead, resolve to respond and pray with the mind and heart of Christ.

If you have any questions or concerns, please see Pastor Erik.



ABBEY OF THE HILLS TOUR



A group of ladies from Dawson Covenant Church recently visited the Abbey of the Hills near Marvin, SD for a luncheon tour. The Abbey began as a Benedictine monastery which ministered for over 60 years and today is owned and operated by a nonprofit organization who have opened its doors to the public for visits, retreats, and guided tours.

News Alert!

Dawson Covenant Church was recently featured in two articles on rural churches. In case you missed them the links are provided below.

www.tristateneighbor.com

You can find the feature titled "Prayers on the Prairie" under the Rural Life tab.

www.northwestconference.org

You can find the article under the News & Events tab in the newsletter archives.

Word of Witness

You may have noticed that our worship services periodically include a "Word of Witness". This is a time for individuals from the congregation to share their personal testimony or to give a witness to their faith. If you would be interested in sharing your story please see Laurel Peterson or Pastor Erik.

SUMMER

Mark your calendars for these upcoming summer events! More youth events to be added.

Sunday, June 3

10:30 a.m. Congregational Business Meeting

Sunday, June 10

10:30 a.m. Ice Cream Social Planning Meeting

Thursday, June 21-23

Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church

Saturday, July 7

All-Church work day at the church and parsonage

Thursday, July 14-21

CHIC trip to Tennessee

Thursday, August 2-4

MUUUCE youth trip

Sunday, August 5-9

Vacation Bible School



intentional evangelism initiative

The congregation recently took part in BLESS, an intentional evangelism initiative. Sunday sermons and the Wednesday night studies focused on these five missional practices: **B**egin with prayer, **L**isten with care, **E**at together, **S**erve with love, and **S**hare your story.

All Church Work Day

A summer work day is being planning for Saturday, July 7. There are several projects and odd jobs that need to be completed at both the church and the parsonage. Mark your calendars now and watch for more announcements and a job list to come as the date gets closer. Lots of help makes the work light!



THIS MONTH'S birthdays

4	Luke Christie-Perkins
5	Esther Delp
6	Lee Ulstad
7	Jonathan Fondell
9	Dennis Harding
12	Alyssa Besonen
13	John Lee
14	Aaron Hyché
17	Parker Steinke
21	Joel Ehrenberg
23	John Sather
26	Heath Buer
27	Suzanne Milbeck
30	Frances Greiner

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 Dan Schluter or Wendy Robertson.

*"May we journey together in stewardship...
God's resources deployed through God's
people to accomplish God's mission."*

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.

Free Wi-Fi

The password to sign-in to the wi-fi at the Youth center is "guest2255".

PASS IT ON CONTACT INFORMATION

Deadline for the July *Pass It On* is Wednesday, June 20

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Church Council Meeting Notes

The church website has a password protected page where you will find things like 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.

Attention!

If you are not getting church e-mails (prayer requests, occasional announcements, etc.) and you would like to be added to the list please let Karla Perkins or Pastor Erik know, or send an email to office@dawsoncovenantchurch.org

Pastor's Office Hours

Pastor Erik & Phil's 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 they are available by appointment, and may be reached at church at 320-769-2255 or Pastor Erik's cell: 320-305-9304 Phil's cell: 269-547-7537

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 and click on the Worship tab.

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

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES



Kevin & Sylvia Rosendahl
Joel & Kim Delp
Covenant World Missions
Covenant Youth of Alaska
Randy & Cheryl Bevis
Luke & Emma Christie-Perkins
Covenant World Relief
KICY Radio Station
Operation Christmas Child

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 11:00 Hi-League to Marshall	2
3 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Meeting 10:30 Congregational Business Meeting	4	5 7:00 Church Council Mtg.	6	7	8	9
10 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Meeting 10:30 Ice Cream Social Planning Meeting	11 10:00-3:00 Quilting	12	13	14	15	16
17 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Meeting 10:45 Fellowship Time	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Meeting 10:45 Fellowship Time	25 10:00-3:00 Quilting	26	27	28	29	30