

FIRST COVENANT Church

May 05, 2024

10:15 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SONG

“And Can It Be” (Blue 306)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 98

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORSHIP IN SONG

“I Will Follow” & “Build Your Kingdom Here”

SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:9-19

MESSAGE

“Rise Above: Liberated”

Pastor Peter Dibley

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF RESPONSE

“In Christ There Is No East or West” (Blue 593)

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we might delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your great name.

Amen

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever.

Amen

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended to the dead; the third day he rose
from the grave; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the
right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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WEEK OF MAY 05th

- Today 9:00am: Sunday School & LifeTime Hour
10:15am: Sunday Morning Worship Service
4:00pm: Young Adult Hang Out
- Mon 7:30am: Walking Club
- Tues 6:30pm: Board of Elders meet
- Wed 7:30am: Walking Club
6:30pm: "Level Up" meets in Fireside Lounge
- Fri 7:30am: Walking Club
- Sun 9:00am: Sunday School & LifeTime Hour
10:15am: Sunday Morning Worship Service

There is a drop box in the narthex to leave your offering. Another option is to give online. Visit our website firstcovrockford.org and click on the: Give Online button. **Don't forget to pick up your name badge each Sunday.**

Congregational Meeting...today, immediately following our morning worship service. We will be voting on delegates to the ECC Annual Meeting and voting on Deacon of Facilities.

Next Sunday, May 12th, there will be a reception following the morning service for Pastor Cody Taylor who graduated on Saturday, May 11th from North Park Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree.

"Better Together" A Membership & Inquirers Class will be offered for those interested sometime on Saturday, May 18th & 25th from 9:00am - Noon.

Level Up...on Wednesday evening, 6:30pm. This is a deep dive into the amazing, puzzling, and mysterious details that lay behind the Bible. We will explore your questions, like "Why is there a talking snake in the Garden of Eden?", "Is there behind the scenes info about the Nephilim?", "How did the Bible become the Bible?", and many more. Childcare provided.

Wood Road Bikers...Sunday, May 19th. Meet at the Perryville Peace Plaza @ 2:00pm and ride to Cattle & Cream in Cherry Valley.

Summer Park...June 17th thru August 23rd, Monday thru Friday 9:00am-3:00pm. A summer day camp for students entering grades 1st-6th. Programming includes outdoor games, arts & crafts, science projects, Bible lessons, field trips and lunch is provided. \$100 per week per student (scholarships available). For more information & to register visit www.firstcovrockford.org.

Pantry Needs for May: Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Mashed Potatoes & Mac N' Cheese. You may bring your donations Sunday mornings or anytime

