2020 Report

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace and peace to you, and greetings from the Evangelical Covenant Church denominational offices. I pray for God’s greatest blessings as you gather for your church’s Annual Meeting and celebrations this year. Even amidst the difficult year we have had together, there is much to celebrate in God’s goodness and faithfulness.

This winter we welcomed Grace Shim, Asia Regional Coordinator of Serve Globally, to speak at our staff chapel. Grace is a trained and licensed counselor and was able to share some insights with our Covenant staff as we walk through this challenging season. Her three takeaways were: Embrace the sorrow. Savor the good. Leverage your strengths.

As Covenanters across the United States, Canada, and serving in our global contexts, we have all faced feelings of grief and loss in this past year. It may have been a job loss, loss of financial stability, loss of the ability to travel and visit our loved ones, or loss of good health. We are reminded, daily, that we are in this together. We choose to walk alongside one another through times of grief and cast all our cares on our God who cares for each one of us.

While it’s easy to see the challenges in this year, God invites us to turn and notice what the Holy Spirit is doing to further God’s kingdom. This past year we have much to be thankful for when we look at what God has done through the Covenant. Local churches have participated in ministry-building and life-changing Covenant opportunities, such as the 30-day pivot, online gatherings for youth, pastoral cohorts to work toward racial righteousness, and webinars on peacemaking led by Covenant global partners from South Sudan and Israel/Palestine. I give thanks to God for our partnership together in the whole Gospel.

Heading into 2021, we look to build our resiliency and leverage our strengths - as individual churches and together as a denomination. Each of our 890 Covenant churches is uniquely positioned in its community to share the hope and love of Jesus in meaningful ways. I encourage you to lean into your strengths in the coming year and go boldly into the places where the Holy Spirit is leading you. We do this together as the Covenant denomination by continuing to Start and Strengthen Churches, Develop Leaders, Make and Deepen Disciples, Love Mercy Do Justice, and Serve Globally.

Most importantly, we know that our greatest strength comes when we take the time to sit with our Savior and remember who we are and whose we are.

Be encouraged that after a year of challenges, God’s love still pursues us faithfully and the Holy Spirit continues to find new ways to inspire us to go deeper in Christ and further in mission, together.

“Love the Lord, all his faithful people! Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.”  
(Psalm 31:23a-24)

In Christ’s love,

[Signature]

John S. Wenrich  
President – Evangelical Covenant Church
“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one – I in them and you in me – so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.” ~ John 17:22-23

December 2020

Dear Friends,

The year 2020 has certainly been one we will not soon forget. Over the past 10 months, we have experienced a global pandemic, escalating racial tensions, a divisive election, wildfires, and more. Yet in addition to these challenges, we have also experienced great opportunity. We have learned new methods for connecting virtually and explored creative new ways to carry out ministry. Leaders throughout the conference have engaged in book studies and Zoom seminars for meaningful engagement around discipleship, prayer, finances, justice issues, church health, exploring a call to ministry, and more. Our first Equip cohort gathered virtually this fall where 30 students began their seminary education. Churches have come together to care for vulnerable sisters and brothers that have experienced the economic impact of COVID-19.

In this time of great uncertainty and heightened emotions, we have witnessed excessive damage to relationships both inside and outside the Church. In the midst of cultural chaos and division, we have been given the great opportunity to show the world how to navigate differences with love and grace. John 17:22-23 emphasizes the importance of living in unity so that others will see Jesus and know that he is real. As we prepare to enter a new year, I pray that your church will navigate this difficult season of life and ministry in a way that allows others to see Christ’s love at work as you move forward in unity.

I am excited to invite you to join us April 23-24, 2021, for our next Annual Ministry Celebration, which will be held virtually. We hope that this format will make participation more accessible for more people. This online gathering will still have all of the exciting elements that make it such a meaningful experience—worship, workshops, opportunities for dialogue, etc. While it may look a bit different, our time together will continue to be an incredible celebration of our ongoing ministry.

I know that your own congregation’s Annual Meeting may look a bit different this year, as well. Regardless of the format, I pray that it will be a celebration of the many ways in which God has sustained your ministry in these challenging times. Thank you for the privilege of serving alongside you in ministry. We pray for you and give thanks to God for the impact you are making in the lives of those you serve.

To God be the glory!

Tammy Swanson-Draheim
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Churches working together to transform lives and communities by starting new churches, strengthening existing churches, and developing missional leaders.
Dear Clay Center Evangelical Covenant Church Body,

What a year of ups and downs 2020 has been! The struggles and losses have been numerous for many in our church family, and while we don’t want to look past those, we also want to praise God for his faithfulness to our church over this transitional year. It has been fun and exciting to join in and see God orchestrate the puzzle that we have watched him put together for us. May we continue to seek Jesus first, as we move past 2020, and continually look for opportunities to join him in serving others. For a review, the following is a summary of how God has been so faithful to us.

We searched for the Junior and Senior High Youth position and were able to fill it with our own Pastor Mark. He felt God calling him to the position and was affirmed in several ways. He is now filling the role of Associate Pastor of Youth & Family Ministries after a unanimous call by the church membership. We were also tremendously blessed to be able to ask Jana to fill the new position of Connections Coordinator. This was created by the Leadership Team, knowing we would need assistance with some of the roles that Mark would be vacating. We felt that the gifts Jana possessed would be a great fit, so we were excited when she affirmed to take the position. During this time of working with Jana and Mark’s new positions, we also received Tamara’s resignation letter. God once again showed us his faithfulness by literally bringing Melissa Wisner to our forefront. After hearing that her family had been desiring to move back to the area, and many congregants already knowing her and the skill set that she had, Melissa affirmed that she wanted to come and fill our Office Administrator vacancy - Praise God!

During all of these transitions, the Lead Pastor Search Team and Leadership Team were also working with Pastor Brad and his family, trying to figure out times for visits, as well as an in person preaching opportunity. God pulled together all these details and we were able to have Pastor Brad preach at Dexter Park in July. The church membership affirmed his call with a unanimous decision to call him and the family to join us in Clay Center. As you all know, Pastor Brad affirmed that call and has joined our church family. We were also thrilled to ask Laurie to come out of her interim role and into our official Worship Pastor position, which she humbly accepted. What a true and amazing gift this season has been, even through a pandemic! Only God could orchestrate all of this and I am truly humbled to be able to join Him in this season.

What a blessing it has also been to serve directly with a Leadership Team that is unified in the approach of seeking Jesus first and then working together to try and accomplish that through our church. There have been many extra hours spent this year in meetings and attempting to humbly lead our church through this challenging pandemic season. We know that as a Leadership Team, there have been times that we haven’t made everyone happy with our decisions, but what I can tell you is that each one of them was only made after considerable amounts of prayer and thoughtful discussion. With so much division going on around us and even amongst believers, we as the Leadership Team, have been spared any sort of division and have humbly worked together to serve our Lord and Savior faithfully - Praise God. We look forward to how Jesus will continue to stretch us as believers during the aftermath of this pandemic and may we all lean into our faith and belief in Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Savior, as we move forward.

Another piece of great news to share about our church is that over this past year we have had the ability to partner with the St. Paul’s Episcopal Church and Harvesters for food distribution, utilizing our large parking lot to distribute food on the third Wednesday of each month. What a tremendous opportunity to help other families amongst us who are struggling. We were also blessed to have Pastor Jeff and Betty Schirle join us for our interim ministry season.

I would also like to clearly indicate how thankful we are for Pastor Mark as he assisted Pastor Jeff, and led our staff during the transitional time between Jeff and Brad. He also played a key role in assisting Audrey Keim, as she led our Senior High Youth Ministry during the interim period. We are so thankful that God has led Mark and his family to join us here. We also want to thank Denise Beutler, Vicki Clemons and Melissa Haden for running the church office during the transitional time between Tamara and Melissa Wisner. What a blessing it is when people are willing to step into roles to help the church continue to function seamlessly between personnel changes. Our entire church staff of Brad, Mark, Jana, Arlyn, Julie, Jan, April, Melissa Haden, Laurie and Melissa Wisner humbly seek Jesus first as they serve our church body and community each and every week. We are truly honored to have all of them serving on behalf of our church.

Letter to the Congregation
We have had a tremendous demand for technology needs this year, and Jan was and has been extremely busy fulfilling them. Seeing there needed to be more resources available we set up a Technology Team that Jan can utilize for support. We are extremely grateful to Josh Macy, David Macy, Roger Desrosier and Steven Hilt for all they have contributed in this area. We also have many lay leaders within the congregation that continue to faithfully lead many ministries in our church and we are so thankful and blessed to have them serving among us. It's truly a blessing to serve among all of the gifted followers of Jesus within our church body. May we continue to unify and lead others into the fellowship of God. May we also continue to pray for each other as the Lord leads and guides us each and every day.

As I reflected over the ending of last year's letter, written by Bob Larson, it is important to note that our mission as a church has not changed. For he wrote, “As we look back on 2019 with wonder and thanksgiving, let us prepare our hearts, minds, and souls for whatever God has in store for each of us individually as well as for our church and community for the year 2020. We pray for healing for the hurting, strength for the tempted, wisdom for the searching, and most urgently, for revival among believers and salvation for the lost.” I don't think anyone was prepared for what the year 2020 has brought us, but as believers it has affirmed the importance of placing Jesus First in all that we say and do each and every day. For we do not know the hour on which he will return, but we do know that there are many that are unprepared. As a church body let us unify and put Jesus First, as we strive to bring others into the body of Christ in 2021.

In Christ,

Shawn Stratton
Leadership Team Chair
Colossians 1:3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you.

Hearts full of gratitude:

- Kelly and I are so very grateful for Clay Center Covenant issuing the call to be part of the pastoral team! We thank God when we pray for you!

- Our journey to the church began in early 2020 as we asked Superintendent Tammy to include our name in the list of potential candidates. The candidating process involved a series of last minute clarity (at least from our perspective). For example, just hours prior to the first zoom interview with the Pastoral search team, we received news of the death of my sister’s ‘husband’. We struggled with whether we should proceed with the interview and at the ‘last minute’ we decided to continue with the process. Similar ‘last minute’ experiences continued throughout the entire process including well-timed phone calls, words from friends and family members, and what we understood as Holy Spirit pauses. We thank God for this experience throughout the decision process as it helped Kelly and I draw closer to God and closer to one another.

- We thank God for the Pastor search team! We are grateful for their honesty, prayers, patience and affirmation. Our circle time outside Life’s Finer Moments will not soon be forgotten.

- I thank God for the amazing privilege of being part of this team of pastoral staff! Clay Center Covenant has pooled together an outstanding team of gifted leaders and dedicated followers of Jesus! I often look around at staff meetings and think to myself – wow! I thank God when I pray for each of the staff members.

- We were repeatedly told that the church values prayer – now that I have a whopping 4 months under my belt I whole-heartedly affirm that value! Thank you for being a praying church! Thank you, Leadership Team, for approaching, never rushing, through prayer in order to get to ‘business’. Thank you -- intercessors within the church -- for the prayer walks, the prayer drives, the prayer room sessions, for the mid-week, post-week, all-week praying! I have always believed that the church proceeds forward on its knees (prayer) – thank you for calling us to join you on this journey!!

- Thank you for moving us in – 2 times!!

- Thank you for the phone calls, the texts, the invitations to harvest, fish, walk, talk, eat...

- Thank you for being gracious in the season of learning – learning names, systems, procedures, values and needs. It truly has been more difficult than the typical transition. Yet, as we all can attest, ‘typical’ is probably not a descriptive word we can rely on too often.

I am excited about:

- The emphasis that the Leadership team is placing on the mission of: Knowing Jesus, Loving Jesus, and Pointing to Jesus!

- The opportunity to really get to know people at CCCov!

- Seeking God for the Kingdom purposes He has planned for our church to walk in 2021.

- Boys and girls and men and women to come to know Jesus as their Savior and Lord!

- Having the roots of faith grow deeper and deeper for each one of us!

I will always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when I pray for you.
Thank you!

Brad Mann,
Lead Pastor
Interim Pastor

Serving as the Interim Lead Pastor for Clay Center Covenant Church has been quite an adventure. I am thankful for the spiritually strong and mature staff and leadership teams in the church. Together we have managed our way through some challenging times, far beyond the typical expectations of an interim transition period. I have often, jokingly, said, “I totally missed this class in seminary.” But with God’s hand obviously working on us and all the positive attitude within the church, this has actually been a fun year.

Besides the parting of our Lead Pastor and the Worship & Youth Pastor, we also had to bid farewell to our Office Administrator, Tamara Hutsell. Our Leadership and Search Teams were able to find replacements for Lead Pastor, a new Office Administrator, an Interim Worship Leader, and with some role changes between Mark Peterson and Jana Cott, our Youth Ministry and Connections Ministry are covered well.

On top of that, the coronavirus hit and we had to shut down our church facility. Through Pastor Mark Peterson, Beth Catlin and the Pastoral Care Team, we were able to develop a call list to stay connected with all our members, especially those who were isolated and alone. Our Technical Team, headed up by Jan Keim made it possible to record and broadcast our Sunday Worship. We got such great feedback from our congregation that we decided to purchase some new equipment to continue recording and sending out our worship services via the internet even after we begin to meet in person again.

We were inspired to worship outdoors and got permission from the Clay Center Parks Department to use the Band Shell in Dexter Park. We have had good attendance and have had quite a few visitors from the community. Thanks to our creative and industrious Worship Team under the direction of Laurie Larson and our Technical Team, lead by Jan Keim. What a year!

Synopsis of pastoral activities January-June—

Preaching a sermon every Sunday

**IMMERSE: Kingdoms series- January to mid-March**

Included a “Children’s Moment” during each service to engage with the kids and offer an object lesson for the sermon of the day

**Covid19 Church Closure – sermons done online video**

“Preparing for Easter” sermons

The Easter Challenge series- April to mid-May

**Worship in the Park** at the Dexter Park Band Shell with live-streaming video

The God Questions series- June

Staff meetings- attend and lead the weekly meetings

Worship Planning- attend the weekly meeting

Leadership Team meetings- attend the bi-monthly meetings

Pastoral Care Team meetings- attend the monthly meeting

No hospital & nursing home visits allowed during Covid lockdown

Home visits to shut-ins; serve communion- restricted to phone conversations with lockdown

Was able to serve communion ‘through the window’ with the new communion kits

Men’s Study Group- participated in the Wednesday morning group

Taught a season of “Dangerous Prayers”

Presbyterian Manor Chapel Service – presented a monthly chapel until Covid lockdown in March

Covenant Midwinter Conference- attended the January event in Chicago

Iron Sharpens Iron Conference- took some men to the March 6 event in Omaha, NE

Blue Valley Covenant Pastors Association- attend monthly meetings

Clay Center Ministerial Alliance- attend monthly meetings

Memorial Service- for Steve Johnson, June 24

Community involvement

Clay Center Lions Club – attend weekly meetings before and after the Covid shutdown 3/24-6/9

Jeff Schirle, Interim Pastor
It is such a blessing to serve on the pastoral team at Clay Center Covenant.

This year once again brought about significant changes within the church staff as we continued to fill the gaps from the pastoral transitions that began in the middle of 2019. I’m proud of the staff as they have stepped up and tackled the challenges head on.

- In June we said goodbye to our office administrator, Tamara Hutsell as her and her husband, Bryce moved up to Omaha, Nebraska. We’re grateful to Denise Beutler and Vicki Clemons for bridging the gap in the office until Melissa Wisner arrived in September to step into the office administrator role.
- At the end of June, I was called to serve as the Associate Pastor of Youth and Families and transitioned from my previous role of Pastor of Connections in the middle of July. At the same time, longtime middle school youth pastor, Jana Cott transitioned from her role to serve in a newly created role of Connections Coordinator and Audrey Keim stepped back from her role of volunteer lead of the high school ministry which she took on at the beginning of August 2019.
- In July we said goodbye to Jeff Schirle who served as the interim pastor from July 2019 until the end of July 2020. We’re excited that Brad Mann has been called and arrived at the beginning of September to serve as lead pastor!
- In August, Laurie Larson transitioned from serving as Interim Worship Pastor to Worship Pastor.

Throughout all these transitions, we have seen God’s hand at work and am excited to finish out 2020 and move into 2021 with a full staff team! Thank you to the many volunteers that have stepped up and filled gaps that have been created during these transitions over the past year and a half!

COVID19 brought about challenges on every level of ministry in 2020, but has also brought about many opportunities to do ministry in a different, creative way. I’m thankful for the Leadership Team and how they have navigated this extremely difficult time and for the staff and volunteers as they have adapted to the changes so ministry can continue. I’m also grateful to you as the congregation, for showing those in leadership grace as they have had to navigate through extremely hard, uncharted territory.

On a personal note, although unexpected at the beginning of 2020, I’m excited and grateful to be able to step back into working with middle school and high school students. Outside of the 3 years I have served at Clay Center Covenant as your Pastor of Connections, youth ministry has always been an component of my role. Now in my 20th year of ministry, I am grateful that God has once again lead me back into youth ministry. This church has an amazing group of high school and middle school students, it’s a blessing for me to be able to step into this new role.

In the fall of 2020 I began a four year seminary program to finish my master’s degree...this program is called Equip, it is in partnership between North Park Seminary, the Midwest Covenant Conference and the local church. I’m grateful to have the opportunity to continue to further my education in a way that balances well while in fulltime ministry and be able to utilize what I learn by incorporating it into my ministry context. I’d ask for your continued prayers and support as I finish my master’s degree!

Thank you for continuing to pray for, encourage, support and love on Sara, the boys and I. We count every day that we call Clay Center home a blessing!

Mark Peterson
Associate Pastor of Youth and Families
Connections Ministry

Welcome Ministry

What a privilege it is to welcome those that walk through the doors of the church to worship God each Sunday; both newcomers and those that attend regularly. Almost 25 upbeat servants work to make the rest of us and visitors welcome when we come to worship at our church facility. Areas include Greeting at various entry points, Starting Point hosts, and Ushering. All for 2 services, and some duties are additionally between the services. These volunteers are enlisted for a month at a time. It’s been a JOY to work with our Welcome Team. They have ROCKED the flexibility and been so extremely adaptable about all the changes from week to week.

As we transitioned to the park, we were able to take our “hub” with us as we had a portable Starting Point, we continued to have ushers and welcome hosts but they functioned more in a greeter capacity. We saw a huge up-tick in the number of first time and repeat visitors as we were worshipping in the park!

When we returned the end of the summer, we also added an additional room, the MPR, to worship in. The extra safety steps have caused us all to be incredibly flexible. Leave the doors open so hand germs aren’t spread by touching. Now close the doors. Don’t touch the programs when you greet, now you can pass them out. Don’t pass the offering basket, clean the pencils, block this stairwell to prevent passing each other, now the stairwell is open. Sanitize between services and very quickly before SS starts in that same area. Ensure the communion cups are picked up before they sit down. Oops, now we don’t meet in person for several weeks, but now we need a new team to come in for the new month. A+ for malleable hearts. When you see any Welcome Team hero, be sure and thank them.

Only about half of the regular team volunteers are really coming back for physical face to face worship, so we’ve worked to recruit some more helpers among a reduced pool of in-person attendees. Thanks to those who agreed to help us! The role of welcoming and connecting is not reserved to those that are “serving” on a particular Sunday. It takes the entire congregation to help create an environment where people know they are welcome, feel like they can come and worship even in the midst of their brokenness and sin, and truly know that they have a place where they can freely worship God.

Home Groups

Home groups continue to be a vital ministry at Clay Center Covenant. As the church continues to welcome new people in, it is important that we continue to create the space within the home group ministry for new people to experience the community that takes place within these smaller groups. Home groups are a place where life is shared, where care is given in the midst of struggles, and where lives are transformed as God’s word is studied.

In January, we began eight weeks of being immersed in scripture as many of the home groups spent that period of time reading through Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1st and 2nd Samuel and 1st and 2nd Kings together as we engaged in the third year of Immerse. As the groups gathered, they dialoged about what stood out to them, what they found confusing, how they may view God differently and how they may live differently in light of what they had read. This was a rich time for many of the groups!

In March, many of our home groups adjusted to COVID by taking their home groups online and met via Zoom. I’m proud of the leaders as they adapted to the changing landscape and continued to encourage their groups to continue to grow and stay connected. I’m reminded about how thankful I am for the leaders of these groups as they open up their homes and lead each week!

Some groups continued meeting throughout the summer in yards, at the parks, or via Zoom. Others took a break hoping COVID would die down and they could regroup in the fall. We currently have 22 active Home Groups with 3 more to begin in January. Obviously, more groups are meeting in homes than the church due to our bursting at the seams for space at church and other reasons. There are quite a variety of times and days of the week study groups are offered. ALL the home groups were KEY to helping look out for each other’s physical, mental, social, as well as spiritual needs during our pandemic. The leaders have done a valiant job touching base and caring for those in their groups. Recently, I (Jana) researched and sent out 10 options of focus for HG study for leaders contemplating what they might lead next.
Connections Ministry, cont.

Home Groups Cont.

There are many who aren’t involved in any home group, or other type of a small group team at our church. The staff and leadership team, along with the pastoral team have also tried to touch base with those who don’t belong to a smaller subgroup in order to care for any needs. I have connected with numerous ones to make sure individuals and families are okay overall. Sometimes we don’t know if they haven’t returned to the church due to the virus facets, or if they just are “missing”. Currently, I average 2-3 check-ins each week. Some via coffee, some on the phone, or a lengthy e-mail thread back and forth. I have found when I am vulnerable first, they open up and we go deeper and the conversation becomes more significant-about anything. People just need to know they are cared about. Some of these connections have been my favorite moments in my new role and unquestionably fill my cup.

Membership Class

Fifteen people took the 2-night Church Membership Class offered in early December (revamped by Pastor Brad and Jana) and are currently considering membership January 24,2021. A spring membership class was attempted, but there was little interest with the combined factors of pastoral changes and the pandemic.

Random Connecting

Fun tidbits of connecting within our church. Just a few of many. How will God use YOUR skills and talents? This is why I like to talk to you and find out what YOU love to do and what gifts you have in your bag. This is how we do it...

- Could you send 2 strong bodies over to lift a couch off a trailer and bring it into my home please?  
  Absolutely!

- Who could you send over to teach me about how to fix my cracked basement walls?  
  On it!

- I need a tall person to reach an awkwardly placed smoke alarm constantly chirping due to low battery. Can you find me someone to switch it before I lose sleep again tonight?  
  Yes!

- I need some furniture moved and don’t know anyone as I’m new to town. Please help?  
  Glad to ma’am!

- How can we be of practical help to you?  
  Oh thanks so much for asking! Now what church are you with?
Connections Ministry cont.

Community Outreach

Remembering that outreach takes place within each of the individual ministries on a weekly basis, below are some of the collaborative outreach opportunities that took place in 2020. These were opportunities to reach out and invite others in a non-threatening way.

- Serve Sunday: This year we shifted it back to happening on a Sunday, we had a great turnout as we were able to paint the park shelters and playground equipment, serve at the Hope House, the Museum, paint a home, and make and deliver food to those in the community. Thank you to Bob Stratton for his part in mobilizing the congregation to serve our community.
- Konza Prairie Trail Hike: This was an easy activity to participate in while socially distancing.
- Park Worship Services: Some additional folks from the community joined in our weekly outdoor services. New connections were made. God blessed with super weather and few technical difficulties. Most of our visitors the last 6 months are reflective of the park services.
- August pool party: Outstanding turn-out. Root beer floats served and pool open to all in hopes of new relationships beginning. You could tell people were craving socializing.
- Fall Hayride & Bonfire: Huge crowd with COVID appropriate handling of food. Hayrack ride, hot dog meal, s’mores, exploring the woods for fun.
- Cloverston Christmas Concert: Dexter Park Bandshell utilized for outdoor spacing. 29 degrees cold, but super community wide attendance.

One resource that we utilized was through outreach.com which automatically sent out invitations to new residents of Clay County each month. These invitations made new residents aware of our church as well as invited them to worship and our weekly ministries.

Jana Cott
Connections Coordinator

_Report compiled by Mark Peterson (serving in Pastor of Connections from Jan.-July) and Jana Cott (serving as Connections Coordinator from Aug.-Dec.)_
What a privilege it is to be able to lift our voices to the Creator God. What Jesus has made possible for us through His blood is worthy of any worship, praise, or adoration we can muster whether we are in our homes watching church online, if we are outside in creation with other believers at the bandshell downtown, or if we are singing by ourselves to Him. Is He worthy? He is.

2020 has been a challenging and stretching year for our musicians. As a ministry team we have had to be flexible with our normal rehearsals and routines, flexible with our normal team size and instruments available, flexible when there is no congregational voice to sing with us for a Sunday morning service. Hopefully we have kept our eyes on Jesus as a ministry team during these changes and upheavals.

The team held three different training meetings throughout the year, and I attended a conference. In January, we met to discuss the what’s, why’s, how’s and who’s of what we do each week. In June, we read a book as a team titled Sing by Keith and Kristyn Getty and met to discuss it. In August, I was able to participate in the online Sing Conference, hosted by the Getty’s. In October, our team spent a Saturday morning watching and discussing a few segments from the conference.

There were many plans that had to be put on hold this year. We held a worship and prayer night at the first of January and were hoping to have a few more as the year went on. We also had choir plans and Easter plans that had to be put on hold. However two of my favorite services this past year were the online Maundy Thursday service and the online Easter morning service. His plans are perfect and always for His glory.

Holding services online has been a large learning curve for me. Our services in the spring were pre-recorded, but our services in the summer and fall were live-streamed. In a way, each transition - from spring, to summer, to fall - has felt like a new learning curve. But if there is one thing that stands out this year, it is that whatever the circumstances, He is worthy of our voices declaring His praise.

Laurie Larson
Worship Pastor
Worship Programming

“Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” Isaiah 40: 28-31 NIV

Worship Arts

As Team Leader of our drama team, we began this year expecting to use our dramatic skills within and without the walls of the church to bring the message of Jesus to many in a variety of ways. What was planned to be our first presentation became our only one this year, “The Disappearance of Baldwin” Dinner Theatre in February. As we look forward to this next year, we seek the Lord’s imagination as to how we can bring His message to a world in need of Him!

Programming - Technology

Flexibility and being ready to dive into change at a moment’s notice has been the norm this year for preparing for the technical side of our services! In March, we went to a format of pre-recorded online only services which required recording, editing, and uploading each week to our online church venue. In June, our services moved outdoors to Dexter Park requiring Sunday morning set-up, and streaming live from the park. June and July also brought us into the preparation mode for streaming our services live once we returned to services in the church necessitating research, technology purchases and set-up so that we would be ready for our first in-house service in August.

Many trials and a lot of troubleshooting accompanied the set-up, and tweaks continue on a weekly basis. I thank my God for each one of you who has helped in this process: from patience as they heard me say, “Let’s do it one more time!”, to weekly set-up at the park, to “What camera shall we purchase?”, to “The projector is not working!” and many more scenarios.

What a blessing each and every one of you have been. Thank you Sunday morning tech team for your flexibility, learning on the fly, and stepping in when I went MIA (missing in action) with Covid. God has used all of you with your beautiful servant hearts to reach a world in need of the message of Christ. May this next year be one of seeing the gospel spread in ways we have not yet imagined!

In His Presence,
Jan Keim
Media/Technology
Wow, 2020 has been a year of surprises! After a lot of prayer and God pointing me towards the position in many unexpected ways, I ended up applying for the youth ministry role at Clay Center Covenant. After interviewing with the search team, a few conversations with the Leadership Team and the congregational vote, I was called to serve as the Associate Pastor of Youth and Families at CCCov beginning in the middle of July.

I’m grateful for the diligent work of the youth pastor search team: Ron Beutler (Chair), Chad Haden, Dana Kelley, Josh Macy, Stephanie Ryals and Laura Schwartz and the Leadership Team to make this transition happen smoothly. I’m also grateful to Audrey Keim for all her work with the high school ministry during the transition and for Jana Cott, who has served so well as the youth pastor and middle school pastor at CCCov for the past 32 years. Jana has laid a solid foundation for youth ministry at CCCov!

The goal of the family ministries (youth and children) is to come alongside parents to help them point their kids toward Jesus! To resource and be a resource to parents knowing that when it comes to faith development it begins with the parents and in the home!

Secondly, we want to provide a safe environment where, age appropriate discipleship can take place from birth through high school. Provide opportunities where children and youth experience the love of God, learn God’s story, ask questions about faith, learn what is means to follow Jesus and develop Christ-centered friendships.

As Julie Chestnut (Pastor of Early Childhood), April Lyon (Pastor of Elementary-Age Students) and myself met in Early August, we made the decision to transition to a new curriculum which spans birth through 8th grade. We wanted a curriculum which is bible-based and would engage all of these age groups. We ended up moving to the GROW curriculum, this curriculum helps to align our discipleship approach and has resources for families to engage with what their son/daughter are learning. We continue to learn the best ways to implement the resources available within this curriculum. As we use it, Julie, April and I continue to meet together and evaluate it as this is a new resource for our ministries.

We also want to be able to continue to offer opportunities several times throughout the year to equip parents to continue to be the primary disciple-maker within their own household.

We want children and youth to know that they have a place, wherever they are on their faith journey; come to know Jesus; be growing in their faith; be grounded in scripture; have families that are centered on Christ and know that they are a part of the church, not the church of tomorrow, but they are a part of the church here and now!

If you ever have any questions, please don’t hesitate to reach out to Julie, April or myself.

Mark Peterson
Associate Pastor of Youth and Families

Photo by Phil Frigon at a Bandshell worship
I began the new year deciding to make VISION my word of the year. This is very uncharacteristic of me. I have never had a “word of the year.” But I felt led, maybe because of the number 2020, to seek God and focus on His perspective on my remaining years, anticipation of eternity, and my mindset as I pursue ministry with young children and their families.

With the realities of the Covid pandemic, it became harder to stay focused, and ministry seemed to change weekly. It was tempting to be distracted by the challenges, changes, and confusion. But choosing to focus on Jesus, and watching how God is at work in our midst, there were surprising opportunities for growth, and to try new things. With regular activities and programs cancelled, I wanted to concentrate on developing relationships. God was definitely at work in me and in my ministry. I was convinced, and still am, that God was stirring up a new thing in us. While we wished for things to go back to “normal”, I wondered if God would want that for us.

Rethinking ministry with a fresh perspective, we were able to serve and gather together in the following ways:

- Sunday worship in the park
- Wednesday morning “Sunday School” with kids and parents at Utility Park
- Sending packets with Bible lessons and coloring pages and stickers out to my preschool and kindergarten kids.
- Facetime Sunday School
- Backyard VBS

All of these “new things” were so great, I’d love to see them happen again. (Minus the pandemic!)

The Ark Early Learning Center had a bumpy year due to Covid, but continues to grow and thrive. Classes were cancelled after Spring Break, and for the half-day classes, the school year was over. Because of this, Kim Larson’s retirement came a couple months earlier than planned. Catherine Rohovit’s full-day preschool/childcare class was closed for about 6 weeks then reopened with careful Covid procedures in place. Jamie Reed joined the Ark as the half-day preschool teacher and began her classes in September. Catherine’s baby boy, Paul, was born October 4, and her maternity leave was covered by substitute teachers Susan Tiers, Jamie Reed, Elizabeth Willroth and me through December. The preschool was closed November 12 due to Covid related quarantine, but was able to open after Thanksgiving.

Many wonderful people join me in ministry to children. I sincerely thank everyone who teaches Sunday School, Kids Club, Kids Jam, Children’s Church or serves in the Nursery, especially in this unusual year. May each of you be richly blessed! It is a great joy to watch the littlest children learn Bible stories, pray to God, and follow Jesus with their whole hearts.

We all look forward to 2021 with anticipation and full of hope, knowing God has been so faithful, and always will be faithful. We don’t want to go back to “normal”, but only where God leads us, open to the wonderful opportunities He gives us.

Let’s keep our eyes on Jesus because “where we look we will go, and what we behold we become.”

Julie Chestnut
Early Childhood Ministry
Wow! What a year! There were so many twists and turns, surprises and blessings and lots of moments when we had to let go and let God. “Flexibility” was our motto in children’s ministry this year. Flexibility and perseverance defined a vast majority of what we did, and while things were quite a bit different, one thing remained the same; God’s faithfulness. He was there guiding and supporting us every step of the way!

Our year began the way most of our years begin, with regular programming like Sunday school and Kid’s Club, but in March Spring Break began and our ministry world got turned upside down. Since we were not continuing regular programming we had a unique opportunity to try some new things. “ZOOM” became the new way of doing our mid-week ministry. Kids were invited to join an online meeting for some fun fellowship time and connection, during a time when school was online and many people were behind closed doors. This ZOOM ministry was such a blessing and fun connection time, but like many things it became “Old Hat” after a couple of months and we needed to explore new options.

During the summer, the need for real connection became the focus. Real connection, in a safe way, that met the needs of the child as much as possible. I began “Porch Visits”, and met with individual children and family groups of children as often and for as long as the kids desired. It was such a great time of bonding and interacting, really getting to know the kids on a personal level, meeting them where they were at and not just waiting for them to come to me. These visits will always be very special memories in my heart and I’m thankful for the parents that expressed an interest in them, they were life giving for me in a very dry time. The only thing missing was other kids!

So, toward the end of summer we explored a new way to do Vacation Bible School; we were determined to make it work, even in a Pandemic. We introduced the idea of a Backyard Bible School, and the church families embraced the new idea! Two backyards, with family groups of kids was a way to do VBS in a safer atmosphere. It was such a sweet time of fellowship and very focused time together learning about God.

We relaunched regular programming with the school year, and thanks to some small adjustments have been able to move forward into a more familiar atmosphere. We were able to easily navigate a curriculum change and are currently using the “Grow” bible teaching program. It was a great time to switch, since it blended in well with the other changes that were occurring, and since it simplified things for families that had children in a wide range of age categories. It is very flexible programming—very effective in a “Live” setting, but also very adaptable if the need arose to do an “Online” version.

Super grateful for “flexible” volunteers this year! These individuals are truly a blessing in a year like this. I don’t know what I would do without the awesome Children’s Ministry team that God has put together, their devotion to God, and willingness to be available to our children is such an asset to our church. I thank God for them every day!

Finally, I am super pleased to report that we moved into our third year with the “Eyes to See” Christmas blessing. With the three families we blessed this year it will bring the total number of families we have blessed, as a church, to eleven! My heart bubbles over when I think of the joy this ministry gives to both the givers and the receivers. Please know that the mamas receiving this blessing are incredibly humbled and grateful for the generosity of spirit that has poured out of this body of believers. I pray that God will continue to bless these families and continue to bless this church and its’ ministries!

April Lyon
Elementary Children’s Pastor
Student Ministries

In the youth ministry at Clay Center Covenant Church, we want students to:

- **Know (Jesus As Your Savior)** – We want students to come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior and make a commitment to follow Him.

- **Grow (Deeper in their relationship with Jesus)** – Through Youth Group, Small Groups, Sunday School and Discipleship/Confirmation...our hope is that students will have the tools to continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus and become grounded in His word.

- **Show (Jesus’ love through life transformation)** – As students get to know Jesus, our prayer is that life change will take place, they are. looking to Jesus in the small and large decisions that they make on a daily basis. That they will understand how God created and gifted them to serve Him.

- **Go (Tell others about Jesus)** – As they become disciples, we encourage the students to go and make disciples! That their love for Jesus will overflow through their words and actions to those around them, that they will intentionally reach out to those that don’t know Jesus and point them towards Jesus!

**Middle School**

I’m grateful for the foundation that Jana Cott has built in the middle school ministry as she has invested in this ministry over the past 32 years! She leaves huge shoes to fill!

This fall we have been able to partner together with our friends at First Presbyterian Church here in Clay Center, I have been able to spend a lot of time with their new youth pastor, Tim. As we have the same goal of reaching students in this community with the love of Christ, we decided that it was better for us to work together to do that. In September we encouraged students to attend See You At The Pole, which is an international movement to encourage students to pray for their friends to come to know Christ. Tim and I were able to partner together to come alongside students to lead this at both the middle school (Tim) and the high school (me). Another opportunity that we had was after the middle school fall retreat was cancelled at Covenant Cedars, we were able to partner together with First Presbyterian Church to hold a retreat between our churches at Life’s Finer Moments in early November. We had a great turnout between our two churches! We hope to continue to look for opportunities to partner together to reach the students in our community with the love of Christ.

Discipleship/Confirmation (D/C) continues to be a big component of the middle school ministry, our hope is that in D/C students will see how their story and God’s story are connected! Through taking sermon notes each week, doing a daily quiet time (working through their D/C journal) and meeting with their mentor each month, our hope is that they will discover that God is alive and active in their daily lives. I’m thankful for our D/C teachers: John Kelley, Dana Kelley, John Kelley, Troy Pfizenmaier, Cindy Roth and Laura Schwartz. And to Anne Kelley for her role in encouraging students to take sermon notes.

As we have needed to shift Discipleship Confirmation due to COVID this fall and prepare for those occasions when students may be quarantined or we are unable to meet together in person, we have created the option for online sermon notes and have equipped families with the parent/mentor guide which goes along with the DC curriculum so that students stay on track and don’t miss out on understanding how God’s story in the Old Testament is connected.

Power Hour which happens on Wednesday evenings continues to be a place full of energy, food, games and digging into God’s word in small groups. In the fall, we transitioned to a new curriculum which is used during Power Hour. We continue to see many students at Power Hour from the community! If you have a desire to work with middle school students, I would love to chat with you! I’m thankful for my team of leaders who invest in the middle school students at Power Hour each week: Zach Kurt, Annie Larson, Brett Loader, Kenya Macy, Troy Pfizenmaier, Sara Peterson, Cody Schwartz, Laura Schwartz, Kolton Varner.

**Students completed Confirmation in 2020:**

Hope Beikman
Jacob Bush
Brooks Craig
Paxton Ryals
Sara Smith

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We began 2020 while still in transition in the high school ministry. In the fall of 2019, Audrey Keim stepped in as a volunteer to lead high school youth group on Sunday evenings along with Caleb Cott, Kinzey Cott, Brent Rundell, Char Rundell and Kari Stratton. High school Sunday school continued to be led by a rotation of volunteers, Denise Beutler, Ron Beutler, Caleb Cott, Kinzey Cott, Sara Peterson, Cody Schwartz and Laura Schwartz. With my role as coming alongside and supporting the volunteers. We’re thankful for these volunteers that had stepped up during this transition to walk beside and encourage students to grow in their relationship with Christ.

In April, the high school ministry transitioned to hosting youth group online via zoom. After hosting youth group online for several months, at the end of May, we felt that it would be good to come up with a plan to try to meet together again in person. Beginning in June, the high school youth group began to meet together once again in person with the majority of ministry taking place outside...holding outreach events for the students every other week and guys/girls small groups on the off weeks. Under Audrey’s leadership, the volunteers navigated the high school ministry well during the 12 month transition period!

We kicked off high school fall ministry (Sunday School and Sunday Night Youth Group) at the beginning of September. As we kicked off, we have had the goal to continue to meet in person as long as possible without the need to transition to zoom. In order to do this, we needed the flexibility to change and adjust what ministry looks like, sometimes with little notice. So far, through meeting outdoors in the fall, use of masks, distancing and a few adjustments to our approach to ministry, we have successfully been able to continue to meet in person all but two Sunday evenings. Although we weren’t able to do as much as we would have liked, we were able to pull off a Grog Night, Movie Night (weather didn’t cooperate for a drive-in movie night) and a Christmas Party.

After the high school fall retreat was cancelled at Covenant Cedars, we worked with the First Presbyterian Church to do a retreat between our churches at Life’s Finer Moments, as the COVID cases in Clay County began to rise and due to the number of students that were quarantined, we had to make the hard decision to postpone the retreat.

Youth ministry doesn’t stop at the walls of the church building, but takes place at sporting events, over a meal, a soda, gatherings in homes, at the park, etc. Due to restrictions, ministry in these ways have been a little more difficult, but we look forward to being able to engage in ministry more in these ways as the weather warms in the spring and changes in restrictions. One way that we were able to let the students know that we continue to care for them while being quarantined was by delivering “quarantine care packages” to those that we were aware of that were quarantined.

In Sunday school, we continue to aim towards equipping the students and encouraging the students to grow deep in their faith. This fall we have incorporated opportunities for adults within the congregation to come once a month to share their faith story with the high school students. Our hope is that this will be a small step in connecting the high school students to adults in the congregation (and adults to the high school students).

At one point this fall we shifted to a more small group based high school ministry (instead of meeting together as a large group). In 2021, we look forward to continue to meet together in person, look at ways of creating opportunities for students to continue to grow in a large and small group type settings, reaching out to those that don’t know Christ and serving both the church and the community.

As advent began, we offered advent devotionals to the high school students to continue to be in God’s word as we were not meeting over the Christmas break.

As we want all families to be in the loop on what is going on within the high school ministry, I have begun sending out a weekly email to students/parents updating them on what it happening within the ministry, we continue to have a facebook page and an Instagram account which get updated at least once a week.

I’m thankful for the high school volunteer team: Denise Beutler, Ron Beutler, Caleb Cott, Kinzey Cott, Audrey Keim, Sara Peterson, Brent Rundell, Char Rundell and Kari Stratton.

Church, as you interact with high school students in the community, I would encourage you to be willing to invite them to be a part of the high school ministry at CCGov.

Mark Peterson
Associate Pastor of Youth and Families
Acquaint and Equip Classes

We continue to be blessed with a congregation that sees the value of digging into God’s word in community through the A&E classes that are offered on Sunday mornings. We are also blessed to have so many talented teachers that are willing to share those gifts with the congregation. We’re thankful for those that are willing to take the time to write, prepare and teach the adults each week. Here is a list of the classes that were offered in 2020. As we look towards 2021, my hope is that we can continue to offer classes that meet people where they are at and encourage them to continue to grow.

**Winter Quarter (Dec 2019, Jan, Feb)**

A Long Obedience In The Same Direction – Linda Gilmore

Andy Stanley (Christmas & Bystander Series) – Tamara Hutsell and Marsha Habluetzel

Colossians: Our Identity In Our Supreme Savior – John Battenfield

Holiness – Bob and Laura Larson

Men: Every Man A Warrior (Marriage & Parenting) – Richard Cott

Women: No Other Gods – Betty Schirle

Immerse: Kingdoms – Gailyn Boeschling

**Spring Quarter (March, April, May) – Transitioned to finish online**

Marriage + Parenting – Heath and Mikhaela Craig

Psalms – David and Laurie Larson

1st Thessalonians to New Believers – Bob Gilmore

Simply Jesus – Tamara Hutsell and Denise Beulter

Book of Judges – Marsha Habluetzel

**Summer Quarter (June, July, August) - Online**

Ephesians – Bob and Laura Larson

**Fall Quarter (September, October, November)**

1st John: Genuine Salvation – Romy Rohovit

A Lifelong Love (Married/Engaged Couples) – Heath & Mikhaela Craig and Ryan & Nikki Sanneman

God’s Heart for the Nations (Acts) – John Battenfield

Living a Praying Life – Dorinda Morrissette

**Winter Quarter (Dec 2020, January, February)**

2nd and 3rd John: A Christian Response to False Teaching – Larry Clemons

God’s Heart for the Nations (Acts) – John Battenfield

The Pilgrim’s Progress – Bob Larson and Robert Cott

Mark Peterson

Associate Pastor of Youth and Families
Women’s Ministry/Fellowship Team

The Women’s Ministry at Clay Center Covenant Church desires to help women experience transformation by the Holy Spirit and mature in their faith in God through classes, Bible studies, groups, and special events, and also be empowered to serve and share Christ through opportunities in our church and our community.

With our ministry goal in mind, the women’s ministry team continues to look for ways to help women grow in their faith, serve as God leads them, and build relationships. 2020 changed the look of many ministries across the world. It is our goal that in 2021, we can provide opportunities to do some new things, while continuing to look for ways to connect and serve women while encouraging them to join us in doing the same.

We hosted the IF:Gathering in February. We hosted well over 100 women from our church, our community, our county, and beyond. This was a recorded version of the live event which proved to be beneficial in several ways. It was a great weekend of in-depth, challenging, and faith-building teaching, worship, and connection. This year, we will host the event once again. At this time, we don’t have those details set in stone, but the theme for this year is "Even If". More details to come soon!

In the fall/winter of 2019, we launched 6 IF:Tables. IF:Tables is a monthly meal consisting of 6 women, with 4 questions, in 2 hours, shared over a meal. These have been very well received and a connection point for women who wouldn’t typically find themselves sitting at the same table regularly finding community on a whole new level. We would love to see women connect with other women on a regular basis and continue to share life together, and plan to continually launch new tables. We plan to launch a new round of IF:Tables in January or February of 2021.

The annual Women’s Retreat at Rock Springs was not held in 2020; however, we continued to see women attend the Women’s Encounter. We are blessed that while our typical ministry looked different, there were Zoom Bible Studies taking place online, women were still praying and tried to find new ways to connect. In 2021, we will be looking for new opportunities that would connect women within our church with one another.

Denise Beutler,
Women’s Ministry Team Leader
Men’s Ministry

Men 2 Men Ministry

2020 Review

The purpose of Men2Men Ministry is to help the men of Clay Center Covenant Church become disciples:

- **Men Knowing God** – men who are called to walk with Christ,
- **Men Connecting Men** – equipped to live like Christ, and
- **Men Sharing Christ** – sent to work for Christ.

Calendar of Events:

- Wednesday Night Men’s Group met through the year.
- We continue to encourage and invite men to attend the Men’s Encounter weekends (two held this year). Heath and Jeff from our Ministry Team have continued to help lead in those with our church being a launch point for the events.
- Assisted with the October 17th Whole Hog Meal Celebration for the church celebrating God’s faithfulness to our church body, as well as celebrating our staff with staff appreciation month. A big Thank You goes to Nick Regier and family for all the work they put into this celebration meal.

Summary

2020 has been quite the year and it has definitely slowed the larger social events. We do intend for M2M to continue to focus on making disciples. We look forward to re-focusing in 2021 and also look forward to the day when we can hold our Beast Feast again. We want to thank Ron Beutler for his many years of leading our team as he moves on and into other areas of serving our church.

M2M Ministry Team

Heath Craig, Chad Haden,
Nick Regier, Jeff Riffel & Shawn Stratton
Pastoral Care Team

The year 2020 gave the Pastoral Care Team Ministry plenty of challenges but also plenty of opportunities for each area of care. The Team was helped by all of the pastors, Mark Peterson, Jeff Schirle, and now Brad Mann.

Helps: Vicki Peterson, Coordinator
Because congregational care calls were put in place by the Leadership Team early in the pandemic, needs for meals and transportation continued to be communicated. Vickie made sure meals were provided when the need was known for an illness, birth, death, etc. She also arranged rides for several medical appointments. There are many willing volunteers who are quick to help meet these care needs.

Prayer: Robyn Brown, Coordinator.
While the interruptions in being able to have in-person worship services did decrease the number of specific requests from the congregation, praying weekly with Dee Wait continued. There clearly was no decrease in the need for prayer!

Early in the year, volunteers were scheduled for praying for the service during each worship service and to pray with individuals at the close of each service. This was interrupted after only a few Sundays when in person worship had to be suspended. We are working to get these prayer ministries happening again but the affects of the recent increased virus cases has made that challenging.

Visitation (Elder Care/Homebound/Hospitalized): Aaron and Sylvia Greenawalt, Gail Habluetzel, Fred and Dee Wait. With the restrictions necessitated by COVID, in person visits to care facilities, the hospital, and homes have been impossible most of 2020. However, each known "shut in" has had at least one person connecting with them by phone regularly and/or by sending cards. A few from the congregation who before COVID were not considered "shut-in" now are due to the advised restrictions related to age and health. This is an area we want to strengthen in 2021.

An exciting way to visit residents at Country Place developed in November. The Greenawalts are doing a visit using ZOOM once a month. They sing and share Scripture and devotional thoughts.

Card Ministry: Tammy Thompson, Coordinator. Tammy really strengthened this care ministry. She sent many cards each week for encouragement, prayer, get well, and sympathy.

New goals for 2021 are:

- Strengthen care in the area of grief support.
- Involve more volunteers to serve and equip them through any needed training.
- Add some new members to the team.

The PCT has ministered Christ’s love to many in 2020, in spite of AND because of the pandemic. Praise be to the Lord!

Dee Wait
PCT Coordinator
Missions Ministry

Our (international focused) goals for this year were to:

- Continue to raise the vision and provide education regarding UPGs (unreached people groups)
- Regularly pray for and encourage our missionary partners and have them more connected to our congregation.
- Short term mission trip to Mexico
- Continue to develop the HIS ministry partnership

In 2021 we are seeking to prayerfully join in what God is doing missionally in the midst of the global pandemic. We also desire to continue to work toward unity and symmetry between local, national and international mission.

God’s Heart for the Nations A&E Class Offered: A fall quarter class was offered that focused on God’s heart for the nations through a study of the book of Acts. The class was led by John Battenfield.

Short Term Missions:

Nicaragua Mission Update/Merge Ministries: We had hoped to continue building a relationship with La Luz Davina church in Samolali, Nicaragua following our 2017 spring break mission trip. Due to the continued civil unrest and COVID restrictions, Nicaragua trips are discontinued indefinitely for safety concerns.

Mexico mission trip 2020: In November, 2019, we held a Mission Trip Interest Meeting to share with those considering or having interest in participating in a short term mission trip. We planned a short-term trip to be sent out to Mexico in late May/early June. The team held a fundraiser in January and started meeting in the spring to prepare for the trip. Due to the COVID restrictions, the trip was cancelled. The money raised at the fundraiser was sent as a ministry donation to our missionary partner Alex Velasco and Mario, who were helping plan and coordinate the trip.

Missionary partner encouragement: The main thing our team has focused on this past year has been connecting with and encouraging our long-term missionary partners. The global pandemic has affected each of our partners in unique ways. We have heard positive stories of God opening doors to share truth with people in the midst of uncertain times and also challenging stories of struggles many have faced this past year. Many missionaries have been impacted financially through the pandemic as well. In light of the 2020 mission trip being cancelled, our team decided to use some of the funds we had budgeted for the Mexico trip this last year to send a one-time end of the year donation to each missionary partner. Members of our team have been connecting with missionary partners throughout the year. Photo: Our Missions team met with Alex Velasco via zoom.
Missions Ministry cont.

Local Missions:

Common Ground Ministries: Common Ground Ministries has a board made up of members from local churches that oversee different ministries.

Common Ground Community Pastor: Responsibilities include: visiting students at the schools, jail ministry, encouraging those suffering from addictions to consider a Christian drug rehab (Teen Challenge), encouraging local churches to work closer together through the ministerial alliance and visiting local churches, directing Time4U, directing the Get-Away, directing Summer Fun, getting to know local businesses through Chamber Coffee, meet with people for Lighthouse Referrals and minister to people that just come in off the street.

Ministries under Common Ground:

Update from Bob Stratton:

Thank You so much for your continued support and encouragement of the Community Pastor position. Linda and I appreciate your support and your friendship through the years! We are blessed!

We were able to have Summer Fun (the breakfast program for kindergarten thru 5th graders) this summer after all. Numbers were down as some of the parents do not want their kids out and about more than necessary with the virus going on. We have seen the same for the fall with the afterschool programs. The numbers have also been down at Time4U and The Get-Away.

We have started a Middle School afterschool program called The Grove. The grant for the Middle Program ran out a year ago so they did not have an afterschool program for Middle Schoolers. We started the program September 30. The program is held on Wednesdays. The program is run similar to the other programs. For the devotion time we use movie clips and talk about Christian Values. The Middle School has been very supportive of us starting an afterschool program.

The Pickleball Court is finished and is being used. We are thankful for the businesses that assisted us with this project. Our hope is for families to use it as a chance to do an activity outside together.

I am not able to have Bible Study in the jail with a group of inmates because of the virus. I can only meet with them individually by phone through the glass in the visitation booth. Most of the inmates are not willing to meet that way.

The New Hope Ministries Is going well. They were having trouble getting all the updates on the house completed using volunteers, so the board voted to ask some contractors to finish. God has blessed the ministry with donations from the community for the contract work. Cassandra is planning on having an open house for the community in January.

For a year now I have been convicted that we need to start a prayer ministry with the downtown businesses. A lot of them really suffered when they were shut down by the virus and are now trying to recoup. I just started talking to some business owners about using e-mail for prayer request and maybe group e-mail. It should take a couple months to get things organized. Now we are trying to figure how God wants us to go about doing this. Please pray for wisdom for us how God wants us to do this.

Again, we thank you for allowing God to use you to encourage and support this ministry. Please pray for continued direction in serving Him.

MomsCONNECT is a community ministry that seeks to introduce moms to Christ, draw them deeper in relationship with Him, and connect them to a local church. Monthly ‘meetings’ provide opportunities for connection time with other moms, a gospel-centered message, and an activity or craft. The meetings are free and childcare is provided from ages birth-pre-k. On a monthly basis, we welcome 30-40 moms (with a handful of new attendees each month) and 20-25 kids in childcare. MomsCONNECT is supported by generous donations from various churches in the Clay Center community, including CCCov. With the changes in 2020 due to COVID, we were unable to hold our large monthly gatherings. The MomsCONNECT servant team reached out virtually on social media, and also held an outside gathering at the park to encourage moms to get involved with a small group. Small groups have been our ministry focus this year, and 2 larger socially distanced craft outreach events have been held this fall.
Update from Daniel Buhr:

2020 was a challenging year at Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. In April our Board made a decision to stop all activity until Sept. 1. Our employees were laid off after our PPP ran out on June 8th. The Board then extended our shut down for the rest of 2020. We went into survival mode, shutting down everything possible in order to cut expenses. I as Director remained here to continue to take care of business matters and take care of the facility best I could. We launched a campaign this Fall to raise $150,000 needed to just pay fixed expenses (utilities, insurance, phone, etc.) until cash flow could potentially start again in May 2021. I am humbled to report that we surpassed that goal already. The Board motioned at the November meeting to allow camp to open January 1, 2021 as health restrictions allow. All but two of our full time staff are still hanging on with other part time jobs and will hopefully return in March or April. We pray that we are able to hold gatherings to some degree in 2021 and am planning and recruiting summer staff with that goal in mind. The Board is also in the process of replacing me as Executive Director as I have served 20 years and believe God has plans for me elsewhere. Please pray for the search committee’s guidance and discernment in this process. We are thankful for your support and have been extremely humbled by the depth of support both financially and relationally that we have received through this trial from our Covenant family. We look forward to serving your church in 2020 by gathering your youth to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our only real Truth and Hope! Blessings to you all!

Missionaries Supported in 2020:

- John & Amy Battenfield (Entrusted Word Ministries, U.S.)
- Clint Decker (Great Awakenings, U.S.)
- Grant and Suzanne Clay (ELLs International)
- Ben & Caroline Fisher (Kansas Bible Camp, U.S)
- Ken & Diann Goodyear (Navigators, U.S.)
- Ledebuhr Family (Wycliffe Bible Translators, Papua New Guinea)
- Dale Lusk (Serve Globally/Merge Ministries, U.S)
- Junior Obregon (Cru, Nicaragua)
- Bob Stratton, (Common Ground, Clay Center)
- Alex & Amanda Velasco (Merge Ministries, Mexico)
- Ron & Janet Ziegelbaur (Serve Globally, Cameroon).
- H.I.S. (Helping International Students, Kansas State University)

Missions Ministry Team: Kyle & Sarah Cott, Julie Hughes, Rob Roth, John Battenfield, Charlotte Rundell, Brad Mann (joined us this fall)
Properties Team

The Properties Team had a slow year with the church not being used very much this year. Things still breakdown or need replacing even with the Church not being used a lot. Taking care of a building this size takes a lot of work and money from a lot of people besides the Properties Team. Properties Team would like to say “THANK YOU” to all the people who helped with their time and resources in helping keep the Church a warm and inviting place for worship and missionary.

A few items the Properties Team did this year are:

- Painted the parking lot lines
- Trimmed the trees on south end of parking lot
- Cleaned all the sand and grass out of the curbs
- Purchased a new push mower
- Purchased a new cordless blower
- Purchased new LED lights for the MPR Room
- Installing new switch to run projector screen in MPR Room
- Chased several leaks in roof (missing screw, rip in tin)
- Working on a cluster fly issue in MPR Room

We say this every year, but it needs to be repeated, the Church is “TRULY BLESSED” to have a Custodian like ARYLN SANNEMAN, who is blessed with many talents and always goes above and beyond to keep the Church in Excellent condition. We will celebrate his 20 years of service in 2021!

The Properties Team consists of Lynn Greenlee, Greg Close, Robert Cott, Matt Thompson, Jerrod Ryals and Daton Hess.

Daton Hess
Properties Team Chairman

Inside Projects Team

Inside projects did a few renovations this year. We painted and installed baseboards in the third level classrooms and foyers. Thanks to Dean and Carol Michaud for their help on this big project.

We also painted the middle school classroom and the bathroom between it and the 5th grade classroom. We replaced the blinds in the middle school room and did a little drywall repair. Thanks to Terry Hileman loaning us his scaffolding, Joe Newell and Ron Smith putting it together. Also, thanks to Pastor Brad, Josh Wisner, Jean Frigon, Gloria Newell and Sonjie Smith for their time to get this big project completed.

We also plan to do a bathroom renovation towards the end of the year. We will be working on the bathrooms by the Pastors’ offices on the main level. We plan on replacing flooring and vanities and also painting the walls and stalls for a fresh update.

Inside Projects Ministry Team: Julie Chestnut, Kris Hanson, Pat Liby, Dean Michaud, Romy Rohovit

Romy Rohovit
Inside Projects Coordinator
2020 Financial Summary

Letter from the Financial Officer

God is faithful. Always has been, always will be. 2020 receipts exceeded expenses by $70,304.83. Primarily, a combination of faithful giving, as well as staffing changes, made this year’s finances a joy to witness. Praise God for putting it into the hearts of his people to give!

Melissa Haden continues to be a great blessing as our church treasurer. She does an excellent, thorough job. Sharing the load, Melissa Wisner also does many of the accounting duties. We are grateful for them both!

The budget is prepared by the Leadership Team using the recommendation of each of the ministry teams and staff. Prayerful and thoughtful consideration of God’s leading guides this process. The proposed budget for 2021 decreases 3.66%, mostly due to staff restructuring.

May God bless our tithes and offerings in 2021 for His all-present, all-powerful, all-knowing purpose.

Joshua Macy
LT Financial Officer

Benevolent Fund

Through the Benevolence Fund, we have assisted roughly 10 families or individuals this year. Thanks to all who have contributed to the fund. If you would like to give to the Benevolence Fund, simply write “Benevolence Fund” on the memo of your check and place it in the offering.

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# 2020 Financial Summary

**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH**

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**Total Special Designations/Carryover Funds** | $ 171,176.11 |
# 2021 Proposed Budget

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## Expenditures

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### YOUTH MINISTRIES

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### ADULT MINISTRIES

#### Spiritual Formation Team (RightNow Media & A&E)

| 65050      | 3,000.00 | 3,387.43 | 113% | 2,600.00 |
| 65070      | 2,250.00 | 1,366.19 | 61%  | 3,300.00 |
| 65080      | 400.00   | 328.77   | 82%  | 2,400.00 |
| 65125      | 2,750.00 | 687.21   | 25%  | 500.00   |
| 65150      | 250.00   | 250.00   | 0%   | 250.00   |
| 65175      | 500.00   | 0%       | 0%   | 250.00   |
| 65200      | 3,000.00 | 1,345.54 | 45%  | 3,000.00 |
| 65225      | 500.00   | 82.71    | 17%  | 500.00   |
| 65250      | 600.00   | 139.99   | 23%  | 600.00   |
| 65300      | 250.00   | 72.46    | 29%  | 250.00   |
| 65350      | 500.00   | 213.40   | 43%  | 600.00   |
| 65360      | 500.00   | 14.58    | 3%   | 500.00   |
| **Total Adult Ministries** | **14,500.00** | **7,638.26** | **53%** | **14,750.00** |
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**CALL TO ORDER**  
The Annual Congregational Meeting was called to order at 11:14 a.m. by Leadership Team Chairman, Bob Larson, in the presence of a quorum. This was followed by an opening prayer.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF 2019 ANNUAL MEETING**  
The minutes of the January 26, 2019 meeting were presented by Denise Beutler. The minutes were approved, with minor corrections.

**MINISTRY REPORTS 2019**  
Chairman Bob Larson requested that those in attendance draw their attention to the Ministry Team reports. He then asked the congregation to pray silently for these Ministries: to lift them up, to pray specifically for the ministry leaders, staff, and for the ministry volunteers, and to pray for those who come in to contact with the Ministries will draw closer to God in 2020. Denise Beutler prayed for the Ministry Teams of CCCov.

**ELECTION OF NOMINEES**  
Chairman Bob Larson announced the elections of the Leadership Team, Pastoral Relations Team, Auditor, and Nominating Team for the upcoming year. Jeff Riffel prayed for the CCCov Leadership.

Bob Larson presented the nominees for election:

- **Leadership Team:**
  - Kyle Cott (term ends at the beginning of 2023)
  - Nick Thompson (term ends at the beginning of 2023)
  - Shawn Stratton (term ends at the beginning of 2023)

- **Pastoral Relations Team:**
  - Nick Regier (term ends at beginning of 2023)

- **Auditor:**
  - Brian Rieger (term ends at beginning of 2022)

- **Nominating Team:**
  - Susan Tiers (term ends at the beginning of 2022)

A motion was made to accept all names on the ballot; motion was seconded. Motion passed.

**LEAD PASTOR SEARCH TEAM REPORT**  
Merlin Chestnut gave a report on the Lead Pastor Search. He asked us to pray that in this process we would fully rely on God, that God would make the selection clear, and that the church, as well as the candidate, would be prepared for when God provides the right individual for CCCov.
| **PASTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY SEARCH TEAM REPORT** | Ron Beutler gave a report on the Pastor of Youth Ministry search. The search team will meet with the Middle School and Senior High parents on February 9, 2020. The job posting had been submitted to the Covenant head offices for approval. Chairman Bob Larson prayed for both search teams. |
| **VISION FOR 2020** | Interim Pastor Jeff Schirle and Shawn Stratton talked about the church vision for 2020, which was to listen to and trust the Holy Spirit, having patience with God during this transition time, and having the confidence that God knows the plans He has for our church. Shawn prayed for the CCCov vision, for revival, for discipleship, and for us to remain faithful. |
| **FINANCIAL REPORT / BUDGET** | Chairman Bob Larson acknowledged Melissa Haden and Tamara Hutsell for their work in managing the finances of the church. Josh Macy, as finance chair, joined Bob for the financial discussion. Bob mentioned that the church was in good financial shape. Expenses were down due to not paying for Grant and Marty’s salaries. Auditors Report Church auditors, Jo Close and Stephanie Ryals, reported they found no discrepancies in the church books. The proposed budget was set for $704,536.80. It was moved and seconded to approve the 2020 budget. When put to a vote, this motion carried. Mick Payne prayed for the CCCov budget and thanked God for His faithfulness to us. |
| **LAUNCH RIGHT NOW MEDIA** | Pastor Mark Peterson shared with the congregation about the launch of Right Now Media. With Right Now Media, every person in our church can access over 20,000 Biblically-based videos for small groups, families, students, leadership development, and more. This ministry tool will be utilized to help equip and disciple our church family and to give us tools to grow closer to God. |
| **PRAYER FOR 130<sup>TH</sup> YEAR OF CCCOV AND FOR 2020** | Beth Catlin shared that during 2020, Clay Center Covenant Church will celebrate its 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a church. She then prayed for the church’s ministry during 2020. |
| **ADJOURNMENT** | The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m. with prayer led by Bob Larson. Respectfully submitted by Denise Beutler |
Leadership Team

2020 Leadership Team

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2020 Church Treasurer

Melissa Haden – 447-2251
# Election Ballot

## 2021 Election Ballot

Annual Meeting — January 24, 2021
Evangelical Covenant Church of Clay Center, Kansas

### Leadership Team

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Church Membership Roster 2020

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ROSTER
EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF CLAY CENTER, KS
Membership as of January 4, 2021

Elby Adamson
Durwin Beauchamp
Doug Beikman
Sara Beikman
Denise Beutler
Ron Beutler
Lindsay Bloomdahl
Shon Bloomdahl
Gailyn Boeschling
Sandy Boeschling
Rebekah Brandt
Phil Brown
Robyn Brown
Emma “Mina” Burkett
Kenneth Carlson
Jan Carver
Beth Catlin
Maury Catlin
Julie Chestnut
Merlin Chestnut
Laurie Clark
Grant Clay
Suzanne Clay
Larry Clemens
Vicki Clemens
Arlyn Close
Greg Close
Jo Close
Kathy Close
Dawn Cook
Joe Cook
Melissa Cortner
Michael Cortner
B.J. Cott
Jana Cott
Jody Cott
Kyle Cott
Richard Cott
Robert Cott
Sarah Cott
Heath Craig
Michaal Craig
Jim Cramer
Phillene Cramer
Beth Cringan
Mark Cringan
Chelsie Crook
Jason Crook
Gary Davies Jr.
Jennifer Davies
Clint Decker
Katie Decker
Laura Desrosiers
Roger Desrosiers
Judy Dreeszen
Norm Dreeszen
Jason Dunlap
Jamie Dunlap
Reba Fox
Steve Fox
Jean Frigon
Phil Frigon
Margaret Geer
Heather Germain
Deena Green
Josh Green
Mike Green
Sherri Green
Aaron Greenwalt
Sylvia Greenwalt
Bob Gilmore
Linda Gilmore
Darrell Gingles
Jane Gingles
Lynn Greenlee
Grant Griffiths
Tina Griffiths
Greta Hadduck
Perry Hadduck
Gail Habluetzel
Marsha Habluetzel
Chad Haden
Melissa Haden
Michael Haden
Tami Haden
Jason Hall
Jean Hamilton
Kris Hanson
Ed Haselwood
Tonia Hedman-Edwards
Jerrilyn Hendrickson
Ron Hendrickson
Delores Henry
Daton Hess
Liana Hess
Julie Hughes
Bryce Hutrell
Tamara Hutrell
Lon James
Pat James
Becky Keim
Jan Keim
Jerry Keim
Laura Keim
Anne Kelley
Dana Kelley
Jack Kelley
John Kelley
Julie Kelley
Margaret Kelley
Mike Kidwell
Tom Kidwell
Jasson LaMore
Dale Larson
David Larson
Kim Larson
Laura Larson
Lauren Larson
Robert Larson
Ron Laughridge
Sue Laughridge
Diane Lenhart
Wayne Lenhart
Mike Libby
Pat Libby
Erika Lips
Matt Lips
Allie Lohrmeyer
Jacob Lohrmeyer
Marilyn Luthi
April Lyon
Travis Lyon
Brian Macy
David Macy
Emily Macy
Josh Macy
Nathaniel Macy
Rebecca Macy
Deb Martin
Shauna Martin
Randy Meyer
Vicki Meyer
Carol Michaud
Dean Michaud
Doreen Milligan
Jarold Milligan
John Morrisette
Dorinda Morrisette
Jeffrey Neill
Gloria Newell
Joe Newell
Jo Oberg
Becky Olson
Carol Parker
Lonne Parker
Cheryl Payne
Mick Payne
Lori Penner
Tim Penner
Kim Peterson
Mark Peterson
Mike Peterson
Sara Peterson
Tim Peterson
Vicki Peterson
Troy Pfizenmaier
Barbara Platoff
Jane Reasoner
Lundee Reggie
Nick Regier
Brian Rieger
Janelle Rieger
Jeff Riefel
Kim Riefel
Cindy Roth
Rob Roth
Brent Randall
Charlotte Randell
Jerrold Ryals
Stephanie Ryals
Arlyn Sanneman
Linda Sanneman
Jan Schurle
Kevin Schurle
Gary Schulze
Cody Schwartz
Laura Schwartz
Christi Spielman
Kerri Spielman
Tianna Spurin
Greg Sterling
Shanna Sterling
Justin Sternberger
Kate Sternberger
Bob Stratton
Linda Stratton
Kari Stratton
Shawn Stratton
David Thompson
Hilary Thompson
Matt Thompson
Nick Thompson
Susan Thompson
Tammie Thompson
Derrick Tiers
Susan Tiers
Doug Toll
Maureen Toll
Joyce Trumble
Alexander Ukrazenko
Valentina Ukrazenko
Fred Wait
Dee Wait
Larry Wallace Jr.
Tracy Wallace
Jim Weger
Pam Weger
Chance Williams
Shauna Williams
Joyce Woltje-Wirrick
Eve Wright

Church Membership
Removed or Transferred
in 2020:

Martha Benson—deceased
Jason & Kara Bergsten
Marty & Jael Boeschling
Matt & Shelly Bradford
Brent & Laura Close
Rick & Nancy Hammel
Steve Johnson—deceased
Michael & Jodie Kerns
Dale & Marc Kohlmeyer
Greg & Amy Richardson
Abigail Roth
Shea Smith
Lloyd & Sue Tiffany
Dirk & Denette Westerman
BY THE NUMBERS

Ministries
- Ministry teams: 16
- Staff: 9
- Home Groups: 22
- Local Missions Supported: 7
- Missionaries supported: 12
- Volunteer hours: countless

Vision:
We are a church that is working in cooperation with the work God is doing to fulfill the Great Commission in Clay County and beyond.

Mission/Purpose:
CCCov desires to be a gospel-centered community where people are being transformed by the Holy Spirit, maturing in their faith in God, and being empowered to serve others and share Christ.

Values:
Jesus, Prayer, Centrality of the Word, Relationships, Missions, Children & Youth

Records
- Weddings (2)
  - Trey & Hannah (Williams) Schulte
  - Michael & Mariah (Larson) Brinkman
- Funerals (4)
  - Steve Johnson
  - Anne Clack
  - Paul Kidwell
  - Dennis Wright
- Dedications (0)
- New Members (0)
- Baptisms (0)

Note: In 2020, we were not able to offer some of our typical classes or schedules due to the pandemic.

CCCov Membership
- 12/30/19: 245
- deceased: 2
- transfers/drops: 22
- 1/4/21: 221

*Online* numbers represent 1 device that viewed the service. We often can calculate 2.6 people watching from one device, but that average is not seen in this illustration.

Attendance Numbers through 2020