

Welcome to Worship!—We're so glad you have joined us this morning. If you are a guest today, please fill out a Covenant Connect card and place it in the offering. **Children's Church** (10:30am service) is for 3-year olds—2nd grade. The children gather in the Cubbies Room downstairs after the announcements are given.

Cancelation — Women Growing Together has been canceled for February 25.

Updating our Records — We are updating our serving teams for funerals. If you have questions or would like to be added/removed from the list, please talk to Connie Magnuson.

Pastoral Search Committee— Thank you for continuing to pray for us and the candidates we are considering. We will begin initial phone interviews this coming week.

Scripture Readers — If you are interested in reading the scripture during either the first or second service, please sign-up in the lobby.

Mark Your Calendars — March 9-17 for the Missions Conference. The theme is "Building Bridges of Understanding & Grace" to Native people and those in our communities. Bill Haas from Oak Hill Bible College and Colleen Estes from Pi-kangikum will be our speakers.

Ladies Conference — The Women's Ministries of the Northwest Conference is hosting a Spring Renewal conference in Fargo on March 29-30. Contact Stacy Hall if you are interested or have any questions. You can also go to www.wmnc.org/general-information/ for more information or to register.

Funeral — There will be a memorial service for Joyce Goulet on Saturday, March 2 at 4pm, followed by a dinner.

Bluewater Covenant Bible Camp — annual meeting is on Sunday, March 3 at 3pm at Thief River Falls. If you would like to attend, you are welcome to drive down for the meeting.

Community Opportunities ...

Community Café—will be held on Tuesday, February 26, at 5pm

Candle Memorial Service — Fairview Range Home Care & Hospice is excited to announce a bereavement event on Tuesday, February 26 at 7pm in the gym. Please contact Polly Bjorkquist at 283.3031 if you would like to attend or have questions.

An Encounter with Dirty Feet

John 13.12-17

What Jesus Knew

What Jesus Did

The Lesson of the Dirty Feet

Pray for Fabio & Johnna Muniz serving in France

On Monday nights, I (Johnna) have been attending a small group at a Baptist Church near our home. The small group is in French and it is a chance for me to observe and learn what cultural norms take place in France. For instance, it is typical to be introduced into a group in the United States. Not so here! The 'getting to know you' process is much less defined and much slower. I said my first name the first night I went, and even



after three times, no one really knows who I am or why I am there. It is considered artificial and premature to talk a lot about yourself, so I am quiet. This also seems to be an unwritten rule in most groups; if you don't know someone, they remain invisible until there is a 'natural' way to bring them into the conversation. I sat at Julia's nursery for about an hour one day and none of the parents acknowledged me. I am fascinated by a culture that doesn't want to get involved in your life.

We have launched a Saturday morning English conversation practice at Starbuck's Coffee. We have 50 people coming. We are getting to know International people and French people with a 'global mindset' as we participate in language groups. We each go once a week. Johnna joined the Portuguese, Spanish and Japanese groups and Fabio goes to the Italian and Japanese groups.

Prayer Requests:

1. For our Cultural Fusion Project to be able to relate to people of different cultural backgrounds, where lonely people can meet new friends and find a place to call home.
2. To be able to form friendships around our neighborhood.
3. Against our numerous sicknesses.

The ABC's of Becoming a Christian

A — **Admit** to God that you are a sinner. Repent, turning away from your sin. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

B — **Believe** that Jesus is God's Son and accept God's gift of forgiveness from sin. "While we were sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

C — **Confess** your faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

"If you will confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9

Prayer: Dear God, I am sorry for my sins. I believe Jesus died on the cross for my sins. Please forgive me. I ask Jesus to come into my life to be my Savior and Lord. Thank you for loving me and saving me from my sins. In Jesus name, Amen.



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