



Trinity Triangle

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Latrobe, PA

Growing in Faith...Reaching out in Love...Making Disciples

Pastor's Corner

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Happy Easter to our Trinity family, as we continue to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord for seven weeks. As we look around, signs of new life are all around us. We give thanks to the Lord of life who continues to send us signs of Christ's presence among us.

During the month of May, we honor our mothers and those who played that role in our lives. The nurture, care, and commitment of motherhood are gifts from God, and we give thanks for those women that had this role in our lives. When we celebrate this holiday thinking about the gift of Jesus' resurrection, we give thanks for the life, wisdom, and encouragement our mothers give to us.

At the end of the month, many of our young people will be graduating high school and college. We celebrate with them as they complete this important time in their lives, and as they get ready to start something new. For many students, this means leaving home and heading to a new place for college or graduate school. For some, it means job searching and learning the rhythms of "the real world." Let us keep all of them in prayer as they make these transitions and enjoy time with family and friends! We will celebrate with them on May 17th here at church, and bless them all for the journey ahead.

The hope and joy of Easter is the promise of a new beginning at each one of life's endings. As God is working among us to bring new life, let us join together here at church, over the radio broadcast, and on the livestream to receive God's blessings and be sent to serve. Let us point to the resurrected one who goes with us each day! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

In Christ,

Pr. Jason

These children celebrated their First Holy Communion:

Elio John Bruzda
 Asa Jacob Gebhart
 Callie Skye Majorsky
 Mallorie Shay Nash
 Colin Michael O'Brien
 Shane Leland O'Brien
 Levi Samuel Rager
 Harper Grace Savage
 Peyton Louise Savage



Congregational Updates

Council Minutes are posted monthly on the Bulletin Board across from the Office and online at: www.TrinityLatrobe.com/council-minutes

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard— (located in the narthex) In May and June we are collecting **shampoo and conditioner** for the Greater Latrobe Food Pantry.

Meal Ministry—If you or another member of Trinity are in need of a few home cooked meals delivered to your house to get you through a difficult season in life, please reach out to the church office at 724-537-4450 to sign up for our Meal Ministry. We are gladly accepting new volunteers to help cook; expenses incurred can be reimbursed using grant funds.

Deaths

- + Jackie Adams (3/21/26)
- + Clifford Shrum (3/27/26)
- + Robert McDowell (4/2/26)
- + Michael Hudock Jr. (4/6/26)

Baptisms

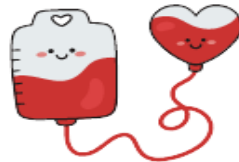
- 🕊 Gemma Spirko (3/22/26)



Red Cross Blood Drive

Trinity is the host site for a Red Cross blood drive on **Thursday, May 28th from 11:00am till 4:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall.

REMINDER: You **MUST** pre-register either by calling the Red Cross 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter TrinityELC in the sponsor code area.



SAVE THE DATE!! Annual Congregational Picnic Saturday, August 15th - 11:30 am

This year we will be holding it at the Bob Evancho Lakeside Park on Beatty Road. Watch this summer for complete details!!



Current Events

Bible Study on Zoom— Pastor Jess will be hosting a Bible Study on Zoom at noon on Mondays called Monday's Mercies. This is intended to be a time spent going deeper into God's Word with others. It will be kept to 40 minutes and is open to anyone who can attend! Mondays 12pm-12:40pm, Meeting ID: 769 4589 5943 / Passcode: grace4all

Social Chit Chat

You are invited to join us **Monday, May 11th at 10:00am** in the Café to hear guest speaker, Sonya Maskrey. She will give us tips on navigating old age and all it's wonderful issues.

Ascension Day Worship – Thursday, May 14 at 7:00PM

We will gather 40 days after the resurrection to mark Jesus' ascension to the right hand of the Father. Following worship, we will enjoy a special treat served by the Worship & Music Committee. Please join us!

77th Annual Men's Communion Breakfast

Legion Keener Park - Sunday, June 21, 2026 - 7:00am. Tickets will be available from Sunday, May 17th - June 12th following each service and will also be available in the church office during the week. Cost of tickets are \$6.00 and under 5 free. Breakfast includes: scrambled eggs, ham, fried potatoes, and donuts.



2026 First Quarter Treasurer's Report

January 1 to March 31, 2026

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Total Income	189,644.05	161,134.00	28,510.05
Total Expenses	183,413.81	205,307.00	(21,893.19)
Cash Flow	6,230.24	(44,173.00)	50,403.24

Income for the first quarter was \$6,230.24 more than expenses.

This was made possible by generous giving, keeping expenses under control and \$42,249.00 budget support from endowment funds.

Thanks to everyone that made this possible, this includes those that left legacy gifts that provided for the endowment funds.

Prayer List

Please join us in praying for beloved members & friends of Trinity with ongoing concerns:

Debbie Morley	Caroline Kondrich	Michael Voytens	Pam Terrick
David Ghrist	Susan Hill	David Meholic	Bill Krall
Shirley Kohan	Barry Niswonger	Linda Taylor	Jack Gunsallus
John Carlson	Grace Patterson	Sue Wintermeyer	Robert Heide Jr.
Heather Wirick	Nicole Buzzard	Annalisa Overstreet	Pr. Leedahll & David Shank
Sandy Gaul	Mark Lawry	Bill Robb	Elaine Rahl
Diane Day	Gary Rolfe	Marie Miller	Luka Smith
Brenda Rohde	Abigail Glagola	Bridget Shirey-Horman	Eva Turney
Marilyn Kondrich	Darlene Schultz	Anne Brumfield	Paul Sowatskey
Patty Timpone	Ted Massa	Larry Findish	Dorothy Pietrusza
Linda Barney	Todd Hudson	Patricia Hall	Nancy Belash
David Colaianne	Helen McCordy	Debbie Luttner	
Dave Shaffer	Johannah Frenchik	John Thompson	

Please call the Office (724)537-4450 or email Office@trinitylatrobe.com to add someone to the prayers.

TRINITY BEAUTIFUL GARDENING

As spring is here, we are starting to plan for Trinity Beautiful Gardening. If you are interested in helping to shop for flowers, help with spring clean-up, or help with planting, watering, or weeding, please contact Karen Mowry at 724-516-8219 or karencmowry@hotmail.com.

We welcome anyone who would like to help. This can be a great family activity. Flower shopping begins in May. Help is needed on **Tuesday, May 19th at 10:00am to plant flowers. Rain date is Thursday, May 21st at 10:00am.** The flowers need watered 3 times a week all summer. Instructions will be given. There is always weeding that needs done.

Another way to help is to contribute to the Flower Fund to cover the cost of flowers and other supplies that are needed. Please fill out the enclosed form and turn it into the church office.

Children, Youth & Families Events

- Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to our **First Sunday gathering 6:00-8:00pm on May 3!** Youth are encouraged to bring their favorite fast-food item(s) to share in a potluck style smorgasbord! **Parents/guardians are asked to attend a brief informational meeting at 7:30pm regarding the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering.**
- **Save the Dates:**
 - June 14-19: Confirmation Camp at Lutherlyn with Pastor Jess
 - July 5-8, 2026: Youth Mission Trip to Johnstown (open to youth in 7-12th grades)
 - July 27-31: Pine Springs Traveling Day Camp comes to Latrobe!

It's time to register for SUMMER CAMP!

See the Youth Bulletin Board in the stairwell near Trinity Café today to grab a schedule of summer programming at **Lutherlyn or Sequanota!** Pine Springs Camp out of Jennerstown is once again offering a week of **Day Camp July 27-31 at The Summit (415 Brennan Ave., Loyalhanna) for the amazing cost of \$75.** Kids currently in grades K-5 are welcome to register using the forms on the youth bulletin board or at www.pinesprings.org/travelingdaycamps. Trinity is helping to sponsor this camp opportunity right here in Latrobe. We will also be looking for **adult volunteers (including nurses)** to help support this ministry. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Pastor Jess ASAP!



Carillon Replacement

We are excited to share with the congregation that we will be replacing our carillon - the bells you hear before worship that call us to prayer and preparation. The current system was installed in 1998 and replaced the original carillon that was installed when Trinity's new sanctuary opened in 1965. The current system has reached the end of its life, with its hymn playing capabilities and hourly chimes no longer functioning.

Our new carillon will be a state-of-the-art Schulmerich Symphony digital unit, which will allow us to resume playing hourly chimes and hymns throughout the day, announcing Trinity's presence to the surrounding community. In addition, the unit will have web-based access, a mobile app to operate the system remotely, and a wide array of hymns, chimes, and tolls. Many of these features were unavailable on the 1998 unit, and they will allow us to expand our use of this system throughout the week. This project will include a replacement of the speakers that are housed in the steeple.

Our new carillon will be purchased using Memorial funds - gifts received by our congregation in memory of members and friends of Trinity. We extend our thanks to every Trinity family who has directed memorial gifts to our congregation, and for each giver who has made this project possible. We are looking forward to hearing these new bells ring as a reminder of the Great Cloud of Witnesses that surround us as we gather each week to worship the Lord!

thank you!

A special THANK YOU to everyone who helped us prepare and celebrate with our Easter Egg Hunt this year! From egg-stuffers to ice cream preparers and drink carriers all the way to 3-D printers, dozens of children were blessed with your kindness and the joy of presents and presence this year!

Thank you to my church friends & family for the love, prayers, cards, and support you have shown me in the last year with the recent passing of my mother, Jackie. I am grateful to be surrounded by such a caring church family. Your prayers, actions, and thoughtful words have meant more to me than I can express. Lori Rolla

Sew Powerful Purses

A dedicated group of women have worked for months to prepare, cut, and back the pieces for these purses, which will be sent overseas to help young girls remain in school when their menstrual cycles begin. See the newspaper article in the Latrobe Bulletin!

Saturday event to provide hygiene purses for young girls in Zambia

BY ABIGAIL HAKAS
Bulletin Managing Editor

The Sisters in Christ Latrobe Ministry and the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Outreach Program are hosting a day of sewing to support girls in Zambia on Saturday.

Attendees will sew purses that will later be filled with feminine hygiene products and distributed to young schoolgirls in Zambia. Sew Powerful, a Christian ministry that organizes the purse distributions, provides resources, including instructions, to anyone doing a local Sew Powerful event.

Roxanne Lenhart, who is organizing the local event with Wendy Rivard, said the purses keep girls from needing to stay home when they get their periods.

"It's such a positive thing for the girls," Lenhart said. "Without these purses, and without these hygiene products in these purses, the girls are unable or unlikely to stay in school for [the entire] month."

The event will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Fellowship Hall at Trinity Lutheran Church, 331 Weldon St., Latrobe, with a lunch provided.

According to Sew Powerful, each purse contains four reusable pads, one bar of soap for laundry and two pairs of underwear.

All the feminine hygiene products are reusable because young girls in rural settings may not have access to or the funds to obtain disposable products.

In 2025, Sew Powerful served around 36,000 girls through the purse program.

The purses come with cards for the girls.

"We enclose a card inside the purse, and that card has sentiments from us about staying in school, encouraging them to stay in school, encouraging their faith and just giving them confidence, and you know, to believe in themselves," Lenhart said.

The purses will be blessed before being sent out.

Anyone who wants to attend or has questions can call Lenhart at 724-593-2642 or text Wendy Rivard at 724-953-3362.

They are looking for sewers and helpers. Sewers will get fabric, patterns and instructions, but should bring a sewing machine and basic sewing materials, including scissors, pins and needles. Helpers don't need to have any experience as they are only needed to press and assist sewers. Helpers are invited to bring an iron if they have one.

Lenhart has been sewing purses for five years, and she said it brings her joy to know it will positively impact girls in Zambia.

"I would love to see every girl be able to succeed," she said. "I feel in my heart that God's leading me this way. I feel just led by the Holy Spirit that this is what I'm supposed to do, and I have that talent to be able to sew and create in arts, and it brings me joy to be able to help them in this way."



Meals on Wheels

Trinity Lutheran delivers meals for Meals on Wheels during the week of May 17th. We need 45 sandwiches and 90 cookies made each day. Meals are packed in bags in the lounge, with a sandwich, 2 cookies, and either jello, pudding, or applesauce. If you are interested in helping, please let the office know at office@trinitylatrobe.com or call at 724-537-4450. (Cookies cannot contain nuts)



Phipps Conservatory Trip— Friday, June 19th

We will be taking two vans, which hold 15 people in each. The van ride will be limited to the first 30 Trinity Family members. You also may carpool. We will meet at Legion Keener parking lot at 11:30 then our first stop will be at the Lamplighter on Rt. 22 in Delmont for lunch at 12:30. Tickets will be \$40.00 per person, this includes lunch and Phipps admission. If you decide you want to drive yourself and NOT join us for lunch, the cost will be \$20.00 per person. We will arrive at Phipps at 3:00pm for the tour. Tickets will be needed no matter which way you go! Menu will be announced soon. Sign up following each church service in the Narthex or in the church office between May 10th - May 31st. We will return to Legion Keener between 6-7pm.

SHEPHERD SHOP REQUESTS

The Shepherd Shop is in need of baby & toddlers things from newborn to 4T. We also are in need of men's shoes sizes 8-9 1/2 and also children's shoes. We have had some requests for houseware items such as pots & pans, skillets, no glassware.

As a result of the request for socks, we were overwhelmed with the response, so we are no longer are looking for socks! Thank you for all the donations! Thank you to the volunteers that are able to help in the shop on Tuesdays!!

thank you!

Sponsorship and Registration Forms



GARDEN FLOWER MEMORIAL GIFT

We invite you to make a contribution towards the purchase of flowers and plants for the Reinergarten and courtyard beds.

Name: _____

Amount: _____

In Memory Of: _____

In Honor Of: _____

Please return this form to the church office with your donation. Thank you.

Calling All Graduates!

Help us to celebrate your high school and college graduates on Sunday, May 17th at Trinity!



Graduate Name: _____

Institution/Degree: _____

Future Plans: _____

Complete this form and return to the office by May 10.



Tiffany Johnson, a motivational speaker and Christian mother, visited our children at Club FRED to tell the harrowing story of how she lost her hand in a shark attack. She spoke of the need for resiliency and how her faith carried her through not only the attack but her recovery!

Some of our teenage worship servants from Easter Vigil



Church Music Sunday
May 10, 2026



Trinity is blessed with so many incredible musicians who give of their time throughout the year! Join us as we celebrate Church Music Sunday on **Sunday, May 10.**

Latrobe Bulletin's Community Choice

Check out Trinity Lutheran church Weldon street.

Check it out now!

latrobebulletinnews.com/choice/

Greeters

NOTE: As Trinity begins to welcome more and more visitors, we would like to reintroduce the role of Greeters! Please see a pastor if you are interested in helping in this way!

Easter at Trinity!

Easter Pageant, Sunday, March 29

Good Friday Children's Service



← Good Friday Day Camp



First Communion Class

Making bread with Pastor Jess



Do you receive the E-Blast?

Did you know that Trinity has a weekly E-Blast that delivers straight to your in-box? Stay up to date on what's happening around here by signing up at: www.TrinityLatrobe.com



Some of our youth playing "Indoor Yard Games" at our First Sunday in April



Lower Elementary Fun Day Event



Easterfest



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH YOUTH



**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026
12:00 - 5:00PM**

**Main & Weldon Street
Parking Lots in Latrobe**

**DASH PLAQUES
TO FIRST 150
CARS TO
REGISTER**

- **OLDIES MUSIC**
with Greg Keys
- **GREAT FOOD & DRINK**
- **PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD!**
- **BLESSING OF THE DRIVERS**
- **TROPHIES & DOOR PRIZES**

Also Appearances by:
Brandon McWilliams



REGISTRATION

Pre-Register \$7
[postmarked by May 29]

Day of Show \$10

**Children's "Blinged
Out Ride"
\$5 per ride**

RAIN OR SHINE!

**FIRST 100 CARS TO
PRE-REGISTER RECEIVE A
\$5 FOOD COUPON**

**REGISTER BY 1:00PM TO BE
INCLUDED IN VOTING**

**DUE TO LIMITED PARKING,
SPACES CANNOT BE SAVED.**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Please register in **one class only** from the following list:

- Class 1-Antique, Class 2-Corvette (1980 & older), Class 3-Ford, Class 4-GM (1980 & older),
Class 5-Import, Class 6-Mopar (1980 & older), Class 7-Motorcycle,
Class 8-Mustang (1980 & older), Class 9-Special Interest, Class 10-Street Rod,
Class 11-Truck, Class 12-Corvette (1981 & newer), Class 13-GM (1981 & newer),
Class 14-Mopar (1981 & newer), Class 15-Mustang (1981 & newer)**
NEW THIS YEAR: Class A- Children's "Blinged Out Ride" (\$5 per ride)-registration available at trinitylatrobe.com

Class # only: _____

Signature of Entrant: _____ registration will not be processed unsigned.
Disclaimer-Trinity Lutheran Church & the City of Latrobe can not be held responsible for any damages to your vehicle during the Car Hop on Sunday, June 7, 2026

Please enclose your \$7 pre-registration fee with form. (checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church)

Send to: Trinity Lutheran Church, 331 Weldon Street, Latrobe, PA 15650

724-537-4450; Email office@trinitylatrobe.com; Visit www.trinitylatrobe.com for our worship schedule.

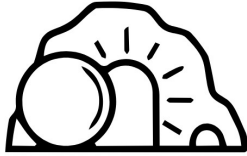
CAR HOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for members and friends of Trinity who are willing to help us on the day of the Car Hop! If you are able to set up, park cars, work the food tent, clean up, or be a runner during the event, please sign up on the bulletin board across from the lounge or call the church office. Both adults and teenage youth are able to volunteer. Our volunteers are critical for this event to be a success and raise funds for our Youth Group to travel to Quake and the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis!

~Worship Service Volunteers for May, 2026~

To sign up for an opening, see the sheets in the Narthex or Sacristy Doors at church!

	Acolytes	Liturgical Deacons	Lectors	Ushers	Tellers
May 2, 3					
5:30	Kelly Stanko	Curt Colaianne	Donna Showalter	Linda McDowell David Rock Jay & John Elder	
8:15		Kim Henry Sandy Kisick	Nick Gebhart	Rick Baldonieri Herb Harris Kathy & Mark Jones	Gary Sheppard Carol McIntyre Nancy McHenry
10:45	Brady K., Allie G., Autumn G.	Karen Clair Lindsay Deemer	Cheryl Morgan	Jill & Mike Macey Tim Potter Susan Vargo	Jane Lawson Marcia Salandro Kathy Sowatskey Tim Potter
May 9, 10					
5:30		Darlene Hoffmann	Linda McDowell	Linda McDowell David Rock Jay & John Elder	
8:15		Rose McLain Kathy Ferlin	Mark Jones	Sandy Kisick Melinda Terney Keith Bronson, Jr. & Sr.	Mary Ann Coulston Donna Krall Phyllis O'Hara
10:45	Lucas & Alex G.	Kathe Houck Allie G.	Christina Andrae	Jill & Mike Macey Tim Potter Susan Vargo	Tiffany Shrum Ted Massa Tim Potter
May 16, 17					
5:30	Kelly Stanko	Darlene Hoffmann	Linda McDowell	Tom & Beth Dlugos Donna Showalter Linda McDowell	
8:15		Rose McLain Kathy Ferlin	Mark Jones	Sandy Kisick Melinda Terney Keith Bronson, Jr. & Sr.	Mary Ann Coulston Donna Krall Phyllis O'Hara
10:45	Lucas & Alex G.	Kathe Houck Allie G.	Christina Andrae	BJ & Amber Hebenal Anna Hudec Becky Tomlinson	Tiffany Shrum Ted Massa Tim Potter
May 23, 24					
5:30	Kelly Stanko	Kathy Waldron	Donna Showalter	Tom & Beth Dlugos Donna Showalter David Rock	
8:15		Ted & Amy Benning	Mary Ann Coulston	Rick Baldonieri Herb Harris, Sandy Kisick, Mark Jones	Sandy Kisick Candace Bungard Sherry Palmer
10:45		Jim & Kathy Zamerski	Linda Brigaman	BJ & Amber Hebenal Anna Hudec Becky Tomlinson	Linda McDowell Christina Andrae, Mike Macey, Darlene Schultz
May 30, 31					
5:30	Kelly Stanko	Kathy Waldron	Donna Showalter	Kasha & Don Loveridge Jay & John Elder	
8:15		Ted & Amy Benning	Mary Ann Coulston	Rick Baldonieri Herb Harris, Sandy Kisick, Mark Jones	Sandy Kisick Candace Bungard Sherry Palmer
10:45		Jim & Kathy Zamerski	Linda Brigaman	Matt, Kelly Clever, Eli C., Tim Potter	Linda McDowell Christina Andrae, Mike Macey, Darlene Schultz



Easter Word Search

A	R	S	M	T	B	B	M	A	L	R	E	T	S	A	E	C
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ALPHA AND OMEGA
 ANGELS
 BREAD AND WINE
 CANDLES
 CHRISTIAN FISH
 CROWN OF THORNS
 DESCENDING DOVE
 EASTER BREAD
 EASTER BUNNY

EASTER EGGS
 EASTER LAMB
 EASTER LILY
 EMPTY TOMB
 HOT CROSS BUNS
 PASCHAL CANDLE
 THE BUTTERFLY
 THE CROSS
 THE PALM BRANCH

Our thanks to David Colaianne for making these Word Searches for the Triangle!

Thank you to all who have kept our gardens looking beautiful!!
 As spring is here, we are starting to plan for Trinity Beautiful Gardening. If you are interested in helping outside around the church, please see the article on page 3.

Be sure to watch Trinity News for more information regarding a visit from Pastor Kristin Engstrom in the first week of June!



ALONG WITH PASTOR KRISTIN

Pastor Kristin Engstrom, ELCA Global Missionary

January 2026

Faithfulness amidst Changes

I am so thankful for the faithfulness you have shared with me as people and congregations who support my work as an ELCA global missionary. I have served in three different countries since becoming an ELCA missionary (Senegal, Zambia, Madagascar). As of September 2025, my work shifted once again. I continue to live in Madagascar, but I am now the ELCA Regional Representative for Madagascar and English speaking West Africa (Nigeria, Ghana, Liberia, Guinea, and Sierra Leone).

Since starting my new call, I am often asked what it means to be an ELCA Regional Representative. The best response I've found is that I am a bridge in the relationship between the ELCA and our global companions.

In the ELCA, relationships are the basis for mission. While we can be in relationship through email or online meetings, it is also important to be together, in person. To pray, to eat, to talk together. Just as God came to be with us, in person—in Jesus Christ. As the ELCA Regional Representative, I visit and participate in important events in our companion churches. I also give a lot of speeches, listen in a lot of meetings, and pray often with others.

Another part of my role is to facilitate grants our companions receive from the ELCA. During my visits, I make sure to visit communities and church workers who lead grant supported projects. Then, I can share with you, as members of the ELCA, the good work of God we are doing together.



Greeting students in sign language (with the teacher's help) at the Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria school for deaf students



Leaders of a Village Savings Program run by the Lutheran Church in Guinea.

Accompanying Pastor Kristin

My work as an ELCA Global Missionary is possible thanks to the generosity of many congregations and individuals in the ELCA. Thank you! You can contact me at kristin.engstrom@elca.org. [You are also invited to support me as an ELCA Global Missionary here.](#) Previous newsletters are available on my blog alongwithpastorkristin.blogspot.com.



Pastor Kristin Engstrom

I live in Madagascar and serve as the ELCA Representative in Madagascar and English speaking West Africa. I have been an ELCA global missionary since 2016, serving first in Senegal and then Zambia, and now in Madagascar

I'm originally from the midwestern United States, and served as a parish pastor in New Jersey for six years prior to beginning my call with ELCA Global Mission.





May



Please Note: The Church Office is closed on Wednesdays at 11:00 for staff meetings.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:30pm BUILDING CLOSSES AT 3:00PM	2 3:00 Mother's Day Banquet 5:30 Spoken Communion
3 8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Youth Choir 9:30 SCS 10:45 Holy Communion 12:00 Men's Choir 6:00 Youth First Sunday	4 12:00 Zoom Bible Study OFFICE & BUILDING CLOSE AT 4:30pm	5 9:30 Prayer Group 10:00 Bible Basics 10:00 Shepherd Shop	6 9:00 WELCA Quilters 12:00 AA Mtg. 6:30 Line Dancing 7:00 Choir	7 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 7:30 AA Mtg.	8 OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:30pm BUILDING CLOSSES AT 3:00PM	9 5:30 Spoken Communion
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