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Through Christ we put God first by teaching reaching and loving all!

Last month I talked about a dream. This month I want to talk about when dreams go wrong. I first want to start with scripture.

# The R E A C H O

James 1:2-4 The Message (MSG)

<sup>2-4</sup> Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So, don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.

James 1:2-4 English Standard Version (ESV)

<sup>2</sup> Count it all joy, my brothers, [a] when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1:2-4 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

<sup>2</sup>My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, <sup>3</sup>because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; <sup>4</sup>and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

So, Jason and I had an appointment in Mansfield, and we needed to leave at 7am to make sure we had enough time to get parked and get to our appointment. We got a late start because I almost had to take Joe to work, but someone else took him at the last minute.

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Then we were out of gas, so I had to get gas in the car before we left. We finally got on the road at 7:30am. We turned on the GPS and it said that the road was closed half way down on route 76 so we decided to go another way and take route 30. We got started, and on our way we went. We got about half an hour into our journey and the road was closed up ahead. We ended up needing to go to Alliance to get to route 62 to get to route 77, then to the route we wished to take. Our drive was more smooth once we got through the construction on route 62 in Canton.

We started up a conversation. You know how this goes; I am sure. If it weren't for bad luck, we would have no luck at all! Then we laughed, and I said Murphy has nothing on the Edwards. I looked at him and said there is no chance we are getting there on time. My point is we were laughing and having a good day with great conversation. Jason brought up the scripture that I gave you and we laughed all the more, knowing that we were building up endurance, and that endurance was going to have the full effect on our lives. We were maturing in the faith and we were lacking in nothing.

We got to Mansfield and I could see the building we needed to be at by 10am. We were fifteen minutes early and I looked down and there was another road closed sign. Ugh! I say to Jason, right or left, and he says go right, so I turn. Boom! We are going to get there and the railroad crossing activated. We were stuck and no train. So, I did a U turn. We headed the other direction and followed the detour signs. We were laughing so hard I had to pee. So, we had to find a parking spot and a place to go to the bathroom. We get to a stop sign, and I get a phone call from a person I have been trying to get ahold of for a few weeks. I set an appointment with him as a guy walking on the street stops by my window to ask directions. Dude, I don't have a clue and we are late, only 10 minutes to our meeting, and we can't be late. Jason shouts directions while I am on the phone. We get through the intersection. Boom! The railroad crossing activated and there was the very long train we tried to miss by turning around! We sat through it laughing and asking, what else can happen? We finally got to the building and had to find a parking space. There is one with an old coin parking meter. Crap, I don't have change. We ran into a restaurant; I went to the bathroom while Jason got quarters. We put the change into the machine went into the building and got to the room we needed to be in by 10am. The person we were to meet with was not there. He had gone on a donut run and was just returning. We had a blessed meeting. The trip home was uneventful.

We got to the house in New Springfield and the cabinet we had ordered and had picked up was the wrong thing. They had no others in stock we would have to re-order and wait another 3 weeks, and that will not do. So, Jason exchanged the doors with the help of Chris. Boom! The cabinet is fixed! Please don't ask what else can go wrong. Oh wait, it doesn't matter, we have God and we have faith in God. I thank God for a wonderful day full of laughter at the best plans of mice and men. Faith never disappoints. What a glorious God we have!

## SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship 8:00am & 10:30am	2 Office open 9am-2pm	3	4 Office open 9am-2pm	5	6 Office open 9am-2pm	7 Worship 5:00pm Bbq ribs dinner 12-6pm
8 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Confirmation class 9:15	9 Office open 9am-2pm	10 Stewardship meeting 7pm	11 Office open 4-7pm Bible study #1 7pm	12 Fall concert 7pm	13 Office open 4-7pm	14 Worship 5:00pm Fireman's chicken dinner 4-8pm Golf outing
Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Confirmation class 9:15	16 Office open 9am-2pm	17 Council Meeting 7pm	18 Office open 4-7pm Bible study #2 7pm	Tacopalooza at SOV Warren 5:30-8:30pm	20 Office open 4-7pm	21 Worship 5:00 pm
22 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Confirmation class 9:15	23 Office open 9am-2pm	24	25 Office open 4-7pm Bible study #3 7pm	26	27 Office open 4-7pm	28 Worship 5:00pm
29 Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Confirmation class 9:15	30 Office open 9am-2pm					

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## Sundays & Seasons Worship Planner From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2017 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved.

DATE	EVENT NAME	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
September 1st	Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost	green	Proverbs 25: 6-7 Psalm 112 Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14: 1, 7-14	Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at the banquet table of the Lord. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.
September 8th	Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost	green	Deuteronomy 30: 15-20 Psalm 1 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14: 25-33	Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship today, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of the Christ in the blessed sacrament and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.
September 15th	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	green	Exodus 32: 7-14 Psalm 51: 1-10 1 Timothy 1: 12-17 Luke 15: 1-10	The grumbling of the Pharisees and the scribes in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God wills to seek and to save the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As Paul's first letter to Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.
September 22nd	Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost	green	Amos 8: 4-7 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2: 1-7 Luke 16: 1-13	As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recall that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.
September 29th	Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost	green	Amos 6: 1a, 4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6: 6-19 Luke 16: 19-31	Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

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## **Serving in God's House**

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE	September 1 12th Sunday after Pentecost	September 8 13th Sunday after Pentecost	September 15 14th Sunday after Pentecost	September 22 15th Sunday after Pentecost	September 29 16th Sunday after Pentecost	
Altar Guild	Jean Ohlin	Kathy Kramer	Andy Tesyk	Alice Haller	Art & Barb Gray	
Acolyte/ Crucifer 8:00am 10:30 am	Lauren Coss Grace Pavkovich	Stephen Coss Kara Haskin	Lauren Coss Ashlyn Elford	Stephen Coss Nick Haines	Lauren Coss Barry Pitzer	
Communion 8:00 Assistant 10:30	Penny Felger Kathy Kramer	Peggy Manchester Sarah Deiger	Penny Felger Andy Tesyk	Peggy Manchester Loetta Haller	Penny Felger Kathy Kramer	
Lector 8:00 10:30	Peggy Manchester Kathy Kramer	Nancy Crouse Loetta Haller	Greg Razo Sarah Deiger	Stephen Coss Andy Tesyk	Peggy Manchester Jean Sauerwein	
Liturgy	Loetta Haller	Andy Tesyk	N/A	Kathy Kramer	Pam Nock	
Ushers 10:30 am	Ed Smith	Chuck Haller	Ed Smith	Chuck Haller	Ed Smith	
Fellowship after 10:30 am worship	Kathy Kramer	Jean Sauerwein	Andy Tesyk	Stephanie Razo	Sandy Kuntz	
Chrema Head counter in bold print	Tammy Chuey Ed Smith Ruth McMurray	Jeff Hum  Donna Haller  Rachel Montgomery	Pam Nock John Nock Loetta Haller	Nancy Barret Sandy Kuntz Sarah Deiger	Sarah Deiger Ruth McMurray	
Anointers	8:00 am Nancy Crouse Marlene Vavrus Peggy Manchester Jen Razo Greg Razo	<b>10:30 am</b> Nancy Barret Sandy Kuntz Andy Tesyk	5 pm Diane D'Amico Joyce Herubin Chris Herubin	<b>Any service</b> Jeff Waldele Sarah Deiger Wendy Edwards		
Communion Bread	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	Loetta Haller	
Pew restocking	Andy Tesyk	Ruth McMurray	Andy Tesyk	Ruth McMurray	Andy Tesyk	
Recycling	Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo	Andy Tesyk	Greg Razo	Andy Tesyk	

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### **Circle News ~ Team News**

### **HANNAH CIRCLE NEWS**

Our next meeting will be September 10th at the church with Tracey Byler leading Bible Study #6.

Please continue to save foil and aluminum cans for Hannah Circle as this is a necessary fundraiser.

#### **DORCAS CIRCLE NEWS**

The next meeting will be held at Shepherd of the Valley on September 11 at 11:00am.

We will be discussing a revision of our 'love offering' recipient list for the coming year so be sure to bring your suggestions to the meeting.

The Bible Research will be on the 12 tribes of Israel.

#### STEWARDSHIP TEAM

The next meeting will be September 10th at 7pm.

#### **DINNER TEAM**

A new dinner schedule will begin in the Fall.

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## **Our Prayer List**

The One Call system allows us to contact the prayer chain all at once to lift up prayers. If you would like a One Call sent out please contact the Church office at 330-549-2406.



Jack Crouse Nancy Crouse Mike McMurray Charles Mohn Carol Coleman Gerald Hostetter Dolores Kuhar Margie Stewart Kerry Gumbs Sarah Corey Brooklyn Hostetter Heidi Byler Joe Kreidler Ned Ziegler Jennifer Valentine Serving in the military: Morgan Rhinehart Alyssa Bryce Liberty Jakeb Fry Lyndsey Liberty

Our weekly intercessory prayer for the people of our congregation :

#### September 1

Michael McMurray Roberta McMurray Ruth McMurray Chelsea McNeal

#### September 8

Baylee Mohr Karen Moore Shelly Moore Barry Morgan

#### September 15

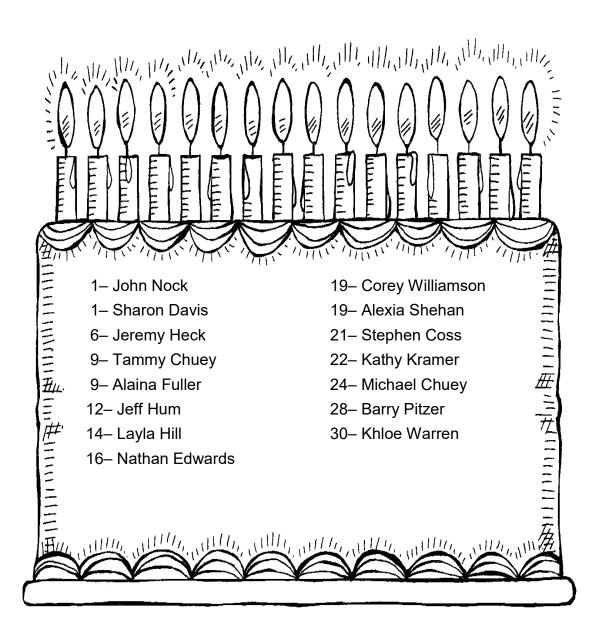
Beth Morgan Brian Morgan Jordan Morgan Gus Nemenz

#### September 22

Mark Nemenz Theresa Nemenz John Nock Pam Nock

#### September 29

Ed Ohlin Jean Ohlin Kim Ohlin Theresa Ohlin 6– Marsha & Richard Waldele 12– Nancy & Lee Panneton



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## **MEETING MINUTES**

#### **Council Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2019**

The meeting opened with prayer led by Sarah.

present: P. Ralph, Sarah, Peggy, Kelly, Andy, Greg, Stephanie, and Wendy

excused: Jeff W., Kelsie, Jeff H.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Kelly brought to council's attention that we are negative \$4,000 as of July 31st.

#### Pastor's Report:

#### **Area of Focus Last Month**

I had 21 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others.

Hospital Visits 3: Joe Albright, Jim Lude

We had our regular number of Saturday night & Sunday morning Services

Over the past month, I have presided at 13 worship services and prepared 6 sermons.

July 6 Called out Beaver Police Death Notification (Blakeman)

July 9 Helping Youth Navigate Through Crises

July 9 Area Churches Meeting at Jerusalem

July 11 Recognizing Child Abuse for Mandated Report

July 12 Lisa and Scott wedding

July 13 Teen Challenge Golf Outing

July 14 10:30 Service Heath Lude Preaches

July 17 QPR Suicide Prevention and Project Dawn/Narcan

July 21-26 Grief Camp

July 22 Trauma Informed Community

July 29 Teen Challenge Worship 5PM

Aug 8 Empowering Community Leaders.

Aug 14-16 EMDR 2

#### **Up and Coming Areas of Focus**

Aug 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Chicken And Kielbasa Dinners. 12-6pm

Aug 26 Teen Challenge Worship 5pm

Sept 8 Kick off Sunday, Invite a Friend

Sept 8 Confirmation Parents Meeting.

Sept 11 The Sermon on the Mount Bible Study 10a.m. and 7p.m.

Sept 12 Good Hope's Annual Fall Concert

Sept 14 Camp Frederick's Golf Outing

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Prepared golf outing mailers for camp Frederick

Attended area churches meeting

Participated in Good Hope yard work day

Volunteered at Good Grief camp

Ordered bibles and handbooks for confirmation class

Attended worship at Teen Challenge

Attended council meeting

Cleaned up and organized office and ordered supplies

Handled incoming calls and answering machine messages

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Answered email and handled correspondence

Helped with 3 c's phone calls

Updated our website weekly- sermons and calendar

Prepared 8 regular bulletins

Prepared and distributed the Reachout

Prepared 4 Sunday school lessons

Updated Red book and Realm

Changed outdoor sign

Prepared packet for council meeting

#### **Stewardship:**

The next meeting is September 10<sup>th</sup>. Our next project is God's work, Our hands in September.

#### **Old Business:**

- -P. Ralph motions to accept Kelly Anzevino to prepare the church budget. Stephanie seconds. Motion carries.
- -Greg will call Vernal to set a paving date in October and contact Jason to paint the lines.

#### **New Business:**

- -Jeff is investigating the roof leak at the double glass doors.
- -Wendy will send and receive flyers for events to the other area churches.
- -Council will nominate 2 people to become council members at the Sept. meeting.
- -P. Ralph motions to accept as new members of Good Hope: Nancy Deiger, Ken Lude, Leslie Lude, and Heather Lude. Andy seconds. Motion carries.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer led by Greg.

#### Treasurer's Report Ending July 31, 2019

Negative shown in parentheses	Actual this period	Actual this year to date	Annual budget remaining
Income	\$13, 118.95	\$96,300.68	\$97,199.32
Expense	\$17,043.50	\$114,957.67	\$78,097.61
Total	(\$3,924.55)	(\$18,656.99)	\$19,101.71

Capital Improvement Fund: Goal = \$50,000.00 Current Balance = \$29,593.90 Thank you for your donations!

Dear member of Good Hope Lutheran Church,

Over the next three weeks we members of Good Hope Lutheran are going to be thinking about our walk with Jesus, and especially about how our use of the financial resources God has entrusted to us is an important part of this walk. Through letters, bulletin inserts, temple talks, and sermons, we will strive to grow closer to Jesus as we walk together.

The great poet Robert Frost once wrote, "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I - I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." On our walk with Jesus, it is important that we are on the correct road.

When it comes to financial stewardship, some people ask the question, "How much of my money does the church need?" This question will send us down the wrong road. It is a question that Jesus never encourages us to ask. It is a question that is based on several wrong assumptions.

Other people ask, "How generously does God call on me to respond to all the blessings God has showered upon me?" This question will send us down the correct road. When you think about your use of the financial resources God has entrusted to you, it is important to remember that the resources you have still belong to God and are placed in your care and management. It is also important to remember that when Jesus talks about giving, he never talks about the need of the church to receive, he always talks about the need of the giver to give as an expression of a sincere faith.

As we walk with Jesus over the next three weeks, be sure to be on the correct road. Think about all God has entrusted to you. Think about your need to give as a part of your faith in Jesus. Ask yourself, "How generously does God call on me to respond?"

Sincerely, The Stewardship Team



Dear member of Good Hope Lutheran Church,

Each of us is on a walk with Jesus. Every day we have the opportunity to learn from Jesus on that walk, just as his first disciples did. As we disciples walk with Jesus, Jesus wants us drawn closer to him. Jesus wants our walk always to be drawing us deeper into our relationship with him.

It is because of this that Jesus talked so much about money as he walked with his first disciples. Jesus recognizes that the lure of money can erect a barrier between him and his children. He says so quite clearly in Matthew 6:24, when he says, "You cannot serve God and wealth."

Perhaps the best example of this truth in all of scripture is the story of Jesus and the rich ruler in Luke 18. Jesus asks the ruler to sell his possessions, give the proceeds to the poor and follow him. The ruler is unable to do this. His loyalty to his possessions is so strong that he cannot follow Jesus.

Jesus wants you to be a generous giver. He wants this not because our church needs your money. He wants this because Jesus knows that you need to give. You need to generously give yourself and your possessions away in order that you might follow your Lord.

Clinging to possessions blocks your relationship with Jesus, just as it did for the rich ruler. Giving generously to Jesus opens the way for a new and deeper level of walking with Jesus.

In worship on Sunday, September 22, you will have the opportunity to complete your estimate of giving card indicating your plan for giving to Good Hope Lutheran Church for the coming year. Make your generous giving a part of your walk with Jesus.

Sincerely, The Stewardship Team



#### \*Thank You\*

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! The Adult Sunday School class thanks everyone for their generous donations of toilet paper for the Rescue Mission. The Rescue Mission greatly appreciates your help with this much needed product.

THANK YOU EVERYONE! Pastor Ralph and I cannot thank you enough for your generosity and help with getting the Sober House up and running. Thank you for all of your prayers! Thank you for your donations of supplies! Thank you for your time and hard work! We plan to have Joe, Jason, and Bob all moved in during the first week of September.

#### \*Mark Your Calendar\*

**September 8:** Confirmation class 2019-2020 begins at 9:15. Parents please plan to attend this meeting with your child. Class schedules and bibles will be handed out. If you know of a child entering 6, 7, or 8th grade this year, you can call the office or sign up in the Narthex to have them registered for the class.

**September 7 & 8:** Bring a friend to church weekend. There will be a bible giveaway at each worship service! Sunday percussion instruments will be handed out before the service.

**September 11:** Bible study starts on Wednesdays at 10am and 7pm. The Sermon on the Mount– a call to discipleship, packets are available in the Narthex.

**September 12:** Fall concert performed by Sue Deutschlander, Rachel Aiken, and Christine Habuda at Good Hope at 7pm.

**September 14:** Camp Frederick's annual golf outing at Beaver Creek Meadows starts at 9am. The address is 12774 State Route 7, Lisbon, OH 44432. For more information please call the camp office at 330-227-3633.

**October 5:** The blessing of animals. Bring your pets to the church parking lot to be blessed from 3:30-4:30pm.

**October 27:** To celebrate Reformation Sunday the bell choir will perform Rock of Ages and Kathy Kramer will play A Mighty Fortress on the euphonium.



#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

GOOD HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

HICKORY SMOKED PORK RIBS AND KIELBASA DINNER

**DINNERS WILL BE SOLD FROM 12-6PM FOR \$13** 

THE MEAL INCLUDES: HICKORY SMOKED RIBS AND HICKORY SMOKED KIELBASA WITH MAC & CHEESE, COLESLAW, AND A DINNER ROLL.

ANY MEALS NOT SOLD ON SATURDAY, WILL BE FOR SALE IN THE NARTHEX AFTER THE 8AM AND 10:30AM WORSHIP.

## The Sermon on the Mount A CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP



STUDENT'S GUIDE

Bishop Daniel G. Beaudoin 2019: The Year of Scripture

# Welcome to the Out of the Darkness Youngstown Walk SATURDAY SEPT. 21

When you walk in the Out of the Darkness Walks, you join the effort with hundreds of thousands of people to raise awareness and funds that allow the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) to invest in new research, create educational programs, advocate for public policy, and support survivors of suicide loss.

#### **Event Details**

Walk Date: 09/21/2019

Walk Location: Mill Creek Park - Wick Recreational Area - Youngstown, OH

Check-in/Registration Time: 11:00 am

Walk Begins: 12:00 pm Walk Ends: 2:00 pm

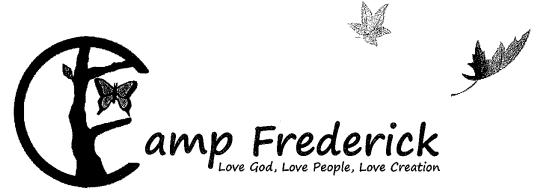
Online registration closes at noon (local time) the Friday before the walk. However, anyone who would like to participate can register in person at the walk from the time check-in begins until the walk starts. For more information, please contact:

Contact Name: Cindy Orslene
Contact Phone: 330-720-2975
Contact Email: corslene@yahoo.com



Come join us for s'mores, kiddie tractor pulls, hay rides, camp tours, rock wall climbing, crafts and more.

- o Take a chance on winning a Yeti Cooler. (winner need not be present to win)
- o Fair food will be available for purchase from C & M Concessions.
- For more information contact us at 330.227.9005
   or visit www.campfrederickohio.com



# Beaver Township Fire/Rescue Chicken Dinner

# September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 4pm – 8pm

**<u>Tickets Available:</u>** \$10 in advance \$12 at the door & Carry Out Available

Dinner held at Beaver Township Fire Department



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For the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row **THANK YOU** 

50/50 Gun Raffle

Menu: BBQ Chicken, Potatoes,

Green Beans, Applesauce,

Apple Dumplings with Ice Cream, Choice of Drink



All Proceeds go to the Beaver Township Fireman's Association

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#### **Worship Services**

Saturdays—5:00 pm
Sundays—8:00 & 10:30 AM
Children's Sunday School during 10:30 worship

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