

# TRINITY TIDINGS

Reach | Grow | Go

## BASE CAMP!

*By Steve Nickodemus, Lead Pastor*

“Go you, therefore and make disciples of all nations...” Matthew 28:19a

If you want to hunt or explore in the wilderness, you need a base camp. A place where you stock supplies, eat, talk, and rest. A safe place to revitalize before going back out into the wilderness.

That is what our new sanctuary is, a base camp for believers. A place where you can resupply, eat, talk, rest. A safe place where you get ready to head back out into the wilderness. A place to pray, worship, commune, encourage, listen. A place where you plan your next strategy out into the world to make disciples of all nations. A place to be equipped for service, for outreach, for the next campaign.

It is a glorious thing to dedicate a new sanctuary, to worship and meet and preach and pray. It is a joy to hear God’s Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to be enlightened and called by the Holy Spirit. It is a great place to be fed by Word and Sacrament, to be strengthened in our faith, to laugh and cry with other believers.

But remember... this new sanctuary is not an end goal nor a final destination. It is the launch pad, the refueling station, to get ready to do ministry, to make disciples of all people. And nothing very productive happens when you stay in base camp and never go out to do the real work of making disciples.

The mentality of General George B. McClellan, the commanding general of the Union Army of the Potomac, is a good example of what happens when you are so cautious that you never leave your base camp. General McClellan did a magnificent job of preparing his army via supplies and drill and discipline. But McClellan refused to leave his safe place, his base camp, and go out and engage the enemy! After much refusal to leave camp and go fight, President Lincoln was forced to remove General McClellan from his command and replace him with a commander that would actually leave camp and do his job.

That is the challenge I give all of you believers at Trinity on the dedication of our new sanctuary. Will you use this wonderful new facility as a launch pad to go and make disciples and to engage the enemy with the Good News of Jesus? Or will you stay safely in your base camp, constantly being supplied and fed and disciplined, and never leaving your safe zone?



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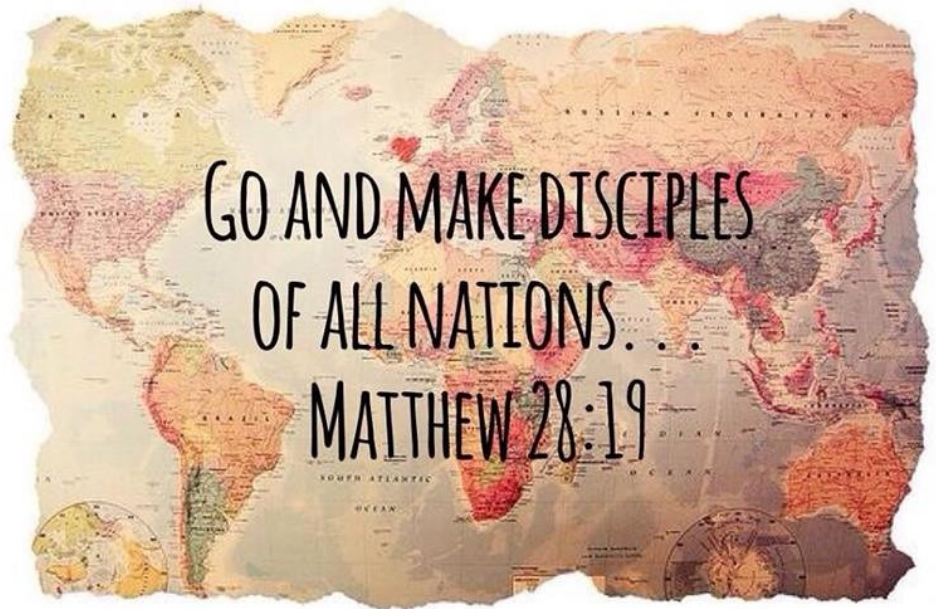
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The choice is yours... Your Lord Jesus calls you to march out on faith, to trust His Word, to make disciples in Hillsboro, in Portland, in the Northwest, and throughout the whole world. Will you answer that call? Will you use this new building for what it was designed for, as a base camp to go out into the wilderness, into the battlefield, The choice is yours... Your Lord Jesus calls you to march out on faith, to trust His Word, to make disciples in into the world?

Jesus has promised, "All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. And surely I am with you always, even to the very end of the age." Get ready, get set, let's go!



## GIVING AT TRINITY

**Please plan ahead as the church office will be closed December 24th - January 1st.**

**Year-End Donations** - Donations you wish to make to Trinity Lutheran Church will need to be received in the church office by December 31st to be applied towards your 2019 offerings.

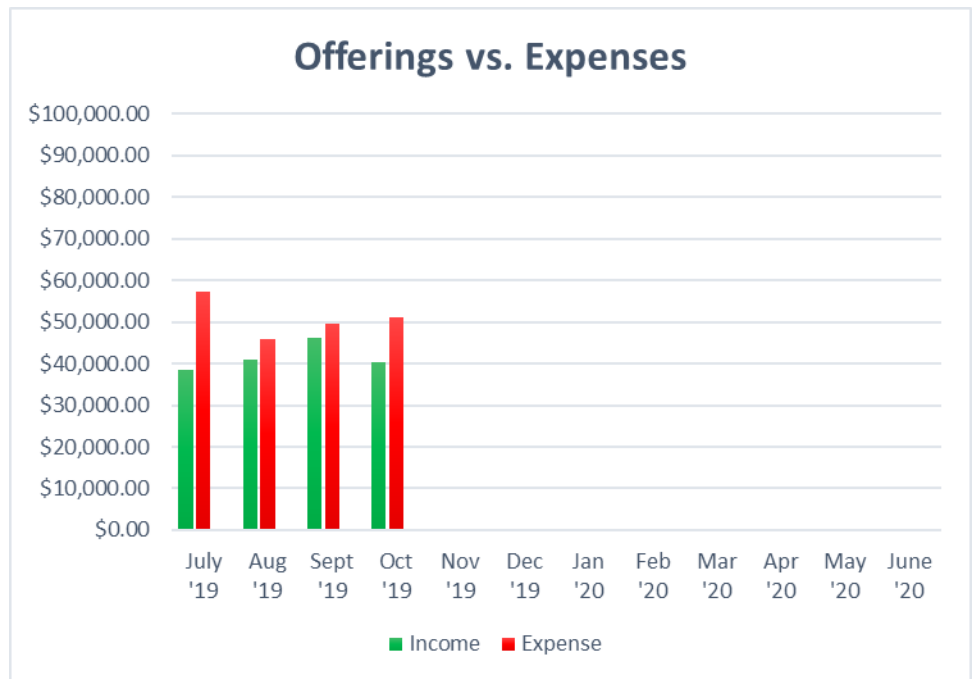
**Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving** - During the busy holiday season, we encourage you to use our eGiving opportunities. You can make an online donation thru the church website [www.trinityhillsboro.com](http://www.trinityhillsboro.com). Also, we accept credit cards and mobile payments at the church info center.

## ALL THINGS FINANCIAL

### Financial Summary

#### Month of October

Budget	\$58,598
General Fund Income	\$46,453
General Expenses	\$51,095







Open enrollment for the 2020-21 preschool school year will begin in January. Look for more information in the January Tidings.



God plus one is always a majority!

Greetings from Mrs. Novak's 3's class. Fall has been so fun in the classroom as we have learned about everything from acorns to pumpkins--and now we're headed into Thanksgiving and pumpkin pie and Indian corn! The children have painted, glued, colored and dipped their hands into the "guts" of the pumpkin. Our field trip to Smith Berry Barn in late October was great fun. The children loved tasting all the various apples and going on a hayride. They each walked away with a bag of apples and many with gourds and pumpkins. There are so many lovely children's books on fall and Thanksgiving, and I think one of their favorites was "There Was An Old Woman Who Swallowed some Leaves." To see their faces light up as we sneezed right along with the old lady was delightful. As they are learning all about sharing and kindness, it's the perfect time to lead into how the Native Americans and pilgrims shared their bounty, wisdom and kindness with each other as well. Our memory verse for this month, "I remember you in my prayers night and day" (2 Timothy 1:3), helps us understand how important it is for us to pray for each other and reminds us how thankful we are to know that others pray for us. One of my favorite moments was when one of my moms shared with me that her child repeats the memory verse at home over and over! Blessings of the season!



If God be for us, who can be against us?  
Romans 8:31

## J.A.M. - December 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8pm

JAM (Jesus & Me) is for youth in 3rd—6th grade. We meet at Trinity the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30-8pm. During JAM we play games, eat a tasty snack and talk about

## CYF OPEN FORUM RECAP

Thank you to everyone who attended the open forum for Children, Youth and Families last month. During the meeting, people expressed their fondness for traditional Sunday school and annoyance on how the cancelation took place. After much discussion and apologies, we concluded Trinity needed to offer multiple opportunities for children, youth and families to learn from God's word. This includes teaching families and visitors who are not accustomed to Sunday school during an education hour. The big question is how to make this happen. The need for more volunteers to join Josh & René in this quest is necessary. We cannot run a traditional Sunday school program without a team. This includes adults, of all ages, who have a heart for teaching and/or discipling our youth.

With the recourses we have now, the following educational opportunities are available for Trinity's children, youth. and families

- **Children's Church** - Bible lessons (related to the sermon text) for children in Preschool -6th grade during the 10:30am Sunday service.
- **Jr. & Sr. High Bible (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)** - Lesson on Sunday mornings from 9:15a-10:15a.
- **JAM** - Fellowship, Games and Biblical lesson on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30-8pm. This is for children in 3rd-6th grade.
- **Youth Group** - Fellowship, Games and Biblical lessons every Wednesday from 7-9pm. This is for Jr. & Sr. High Youth.
- **Family Breakfast & Devotion** - Breakfast & Biblical lesson on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month from 9:15-10:15a. This is for EVERYONE! (Beginning in January)
- **FAITH5** - Daily devotions promoting families to talk about their highs and lows, read scripture, pray and bless each other. More information and books available on request.
- **Life Groups** - Small group studies for people of all ages.

Questions, comments, or a desire to join the CYF team, contact Rene Barringer or Josh Nix.

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

In November the children learned we are part of the body of Christ. Each week we discussed how we work together with other Christians (unity, diversity, love & thankfulness) to shine and share God with other people including non Christians. We also learned related songs and a Bible verse from Romans 12:5, "**so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other**".

Children's church is during the adult sermon at the 10:30am service. The children are separated into two groups (Preschool-Kindergartens & 1st-6th grade) for a lesson related to the sermon theme. A take home sheet is provided for families to discuss more about what they learned at church. Extra forms are located on the bulletin board next to room 207.

## HELP NEEDED - 4TH SUNDAY FAMILY BREAKFAST & DEVOTION

Please contact René if you would like to join the team and help facilitate this exciting new fellowship opportunity for our Trinity family and community.

## NURSERY CARE PROVIDER NEEDED

Trinity is looking to hire someone to provide care for children (0-5 yrs.) during the 10:30am service on Sunday mornings and an occasional special service. If you are interested in learning more about this position, contact René Barringer or the church office.



**Forest Hills Lutheran Christian School  
Presents:**

## **Bethlehem Walk**

**Friday, December 13, 5:30-8pm**  
(With a short break from 6:30-7pm)

**Take a journey around the Forest Hills Campus  
and experience the Christmas Story as told by  
our students**

**Hear "Gloria on the Highest" from the angels.  
Feel the crisp night air in the stable filled with  
animals. Witness the scene of peace, as many  
gather to worship the Savior of the World.**

What a joyous time of year we are experiencing at Forest Hills! As the old song goes, "It's the most wonderful time of the year!" There's anticipation in the air for the celebration of the birth of Jesus, and at FHLCS, we're in full swing!



**Forest Hills  
Lutheran Christian School**

Once again this year, we're hosting our annual Bethlehem Walk. In this event, the campus is transformed into Bethlehem itself! We tell the story from creation through the birth of Jesus using student actors in 11 different scenes, which also include live animals! We hope you can come and join us for this event on Friday, December 13 between 5:30-8.

It's an exciting time of year as well as we start planning for 2020-2021. It may seem early, but we are receiving a lot of phone calls and inquiries for admission for next year. We're doing something new in a short time, partnering with the other Christian schools in the Hillsboro area for our first ever Private School Fair. This will take place on Saturday, December 7 between 9-12 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hillsboro. Seven different Christian schools will be in attendance.

For both of these events, a post has been created on Facebook, and if you are a social media user, you could really help us out by sharing them on your own social media pages!

May God bless you and your family as you enjoy every minute of the Christmas season!

Mike Schiemann. <><

Principal

# Hillsboro Private School Fair

**DECEMBER 7TH | 9AM TO 12PM  
AT TRINITY HILLSBORO**

Come and see what Private Christian Schools are all about! Learn about specific programs offered at each school, school & classroom environments, and how a Private School education is within anyone's reach!



Faith Bible • Forest Hills • Life • Pilgrim • St. Matthew • Tualatin Valley • Valor

WOMEN OF TRINITY

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY!

BRING YOUR UNFINISHED PROJECTS

SATURDAY, DEC 7TH | 9AM-4PM | RM 206

SIGN UP @ THE INFO DESK

# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER – DEMENTIA

Dementia is an overall term used to characterize diseases and conditions affecting memory. Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause for dementia. Are you a caregiver for someone with dementia?

Chaplain Bruce will be facilitating a 3-week discussion for caregivers of those with dementia, and for anyone else who is interested in learning more about this disease. The group will be meeting Sunday's, January 12, 19, and 26 during the Bible Class hour (0915 – 1015). The place/room number at Trinity is yet to be determined.

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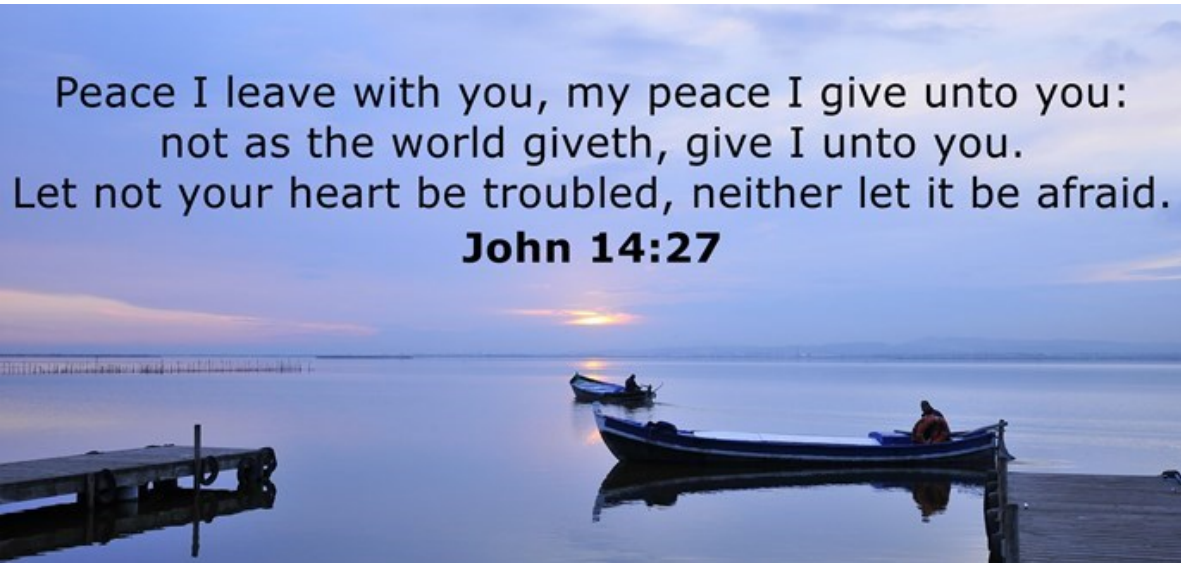
## CHAPLAIN'S NOTE: GRIEF AND THE HOLIDAYS

This time of year can be very difficult for those suffering loss, especially the loss of a loved one. The natural grieving process is intensified during the holiday season because someone or something special is no longer there. While others are celebrating, we find ourselves struggling with past memories and the emptiness of the loss. Traditions long honored, special events, family gatherings, Worship opportunities, all are now different.

The authors of a small booklet entitled: "Grief and the Holidays" (Guideline Publications), suggest the following advice/steps for dealing with this difficult time of year. Plan ahead; accept your limitations; take care of yourself; be prepared for physical and emotional responses; it's okay to feel sad and it's okay to feel happy; cry, cry, cry; lower expectations; and confide in someone.

As a follower of Jesus, we can also add to this list the reality that He is right next to us, walking with us through this time. Jesus cries when we cry. He suffers when we suffer. He blesses us with the gift of memory to remember those times past when our loved one celebrated with us. Jesus' promise to be our rock and fortress, our strength and comfort, our ever-present refuge, and the One who listens to and answers our prayers is sure (Psalm 46).

We can count on Jesus to be near us and support us through this time of year, and every other part of the year as well. As we cry, or laugh, may we always remember Jesus' promise of peace – for He is the Prince of Peace – that sustains us (John 14:27).



Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:  
not as the world giveth, give I unto you.  
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.  
**John 14:27**



# CHRISTMAS BASKETS

2019



“Whoever welcomes this little child in My name welcomes Me; and whoever welcomes Me welcomes the One who sent Me.” Luke 9:48a

Thank you to everyone who has brought items in and/or donated money towards our Christmas Basket ministry! You are truly appreciated! In case you missed the announcement of the changes happening this year, here is a recap. We are focusing on the families of WL Henry grade school. Our goal of providing a \$100 gift certificate to Winco Foods for each receiving family, along with specific clothing and simple toys is within reach. Pastor Steve and a few other members of Trinity will be handing out each gift bag at WL Henry on the 11th.

Also, thank you so much to those who continually donate pinto beans, rice and give contributions for the food pantry at WL Henry. Members of our church faithfully work behind the scenes every week, to help maintain WL Henry’s pantry. The pantry is open to WL Henry families twice a month and provides food, staples and other necessities to families needing some extra help.

## UPCOMING EVENT



JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup>

Trinity is planning a rummage sale! It might seem like a long time from now, but Christmas is the perfect time to go through your things and set aside those items that no longer “bring you joy,” in order that they might bless others.  
MORE INFO TO FOLLOW!!!



# DECEMBER 2019



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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1- Ryan Walker       | 20- Jackie Landreville  |
| 2- David Mateski     | Eva Lent                |
| 4- Ron Hochstein     | Beth Moir               |
| Christina Perez      | Abigail Warren          |
| 5- Benjamin Anderson | 21- Emily Bierly        |
| Sandy Pies           | Jason Bierly            |
| 6- Mike Schaffer     | 22- Remingtyn Josephsen |
| 8- Stan Nichols      | Tori Zenger             |
| Diane Petsche        | 24- Reese Fetherlin     |
| Glenda Walters       | 25- Michele Schaffer    |
| 9- Addyson Isley     | 26- Leah Carpenter      |
| Caityln Warr         | 27- Tarri Christopher   |
| 11- Eric Joachim     | 28- Laura Bierly        |
| 12- Courtney Ulrich  | Rodney Langbehn         |
| 13- AnneMarie Duvall | René Barringer          |
| Larry Hunt           | 29- Joann Holte         |
| Duane Peterson       | 30- Annika Merten       |
| 17- Jonah Mittman    | Vylette Putnam          |
| Rhonda Stephens      | Kim Brennan             |
| Jan Westby           | Julie Carneau           |
| 18- Vicky Hilfer     | Nick Van Domelen        |
| Cindy Naylor         |                         |
| Jennifer Peterson    |                         |
| 19- Bruce Parks      |                         |
| Darin Warren         |                         |

*Let's Celebrate*

- 3- Tim & Jan Thompson
- 18- Don & Patti Suhrbier
- 26- James & Judy Angevine
- James & Lois Bernhardt
- 27- Larry & Jeralyn Henson
- Mel & Sue Stinnette
- 31- Adam & Laura Reese



# SERVICE ROSTER - DECEMBER 2019

	December 1	December 8	December 15	December 22	December 29
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Darlene Bruckert Arlene Schildbach		Darlene Bruckert Arlene Schildbach		Darlene Bruckert Arlene Schildbach
<b>CD Ministry</b>	Karen Kenyon		Annette Michelsen	Darlene Bruckert Arlene Schildbach	Karen Kenyon
<b>Chair Team</b>	Gene Landreville George Waldron Gary & Sue Gallino	David Buck Brian Meyer Josh Nix	Ben Manny, Rodney Langbehn Paul Burkhart Evan, Victor & Martin Johnson	Harold Baesler Matt Merten Ev Pies Dave Holscher John Tysor	Jerry Maasdam George Waldron Todd & Gail Humphrey
<b>Children's Church</b>	Astri Bragstad Karen Warr	Sarah Schauer Jackie Landreville	Laura Anderson Oana Warren	Elizabeth Hofrichter Iris Gillespie	Sarah Schauer Patti White
<b>Children's Message</b>	René Barringer	Stacey Buck	Cyndi Biamont	Pastor Steve	Elizabeth Hofrichter
<b>Counters</b>	Astri Bragstad Harold Baesler Sue Gruber George Waldron	Bette Holscher Arlene Swan Jeryl Whipple	Carol Flemmer Helen Infausto Crystal & Doug Nunnenkamp	John Duvall Todd Humphrey Annette Michelsen Dolores Terhune	Stewardship Committee
<b>Elders 8 AM</b>	<i>John Goldhammer</i> Todd Humphrey	<i>Todd Humphrey</i>	<i>Paul Andersen</i> Ben Manny	<i>Ben Manny</i>	<i>Ben Manny</i> Paul Andersen
<b>Elders 10:30 AM</b>	<i>Trevor Clark</i> Joash Farlow Elizabeth Hofrichter Zach Anderson Justin Ulrich	<i>Don Suhrbier</i>	<i>Joe Noffsinger</i> Don Suhrbier Zach Anderson Darrell Brown Karen Kenyon	<i>Joash Farlow</i>	<i>Elizabeth Hofrichter</i> Joe Noffsinger Karen Kenyon Joash Farlow Justin Ulrich
<b>Flowers</b>		Steve & Pat Finnegan		<i>Poinsettias</i>	
<b>Lector</b>	Tressa Everingham	John Goldhammer	Ben Manny	Norma Tucker	Bruce Rumsch
<b>Organist</b>	Carol Freudenthal	Carol Freudenthal	Diane Gatke	Diane Gatke	Diane Gatke
<b>Ushers 8AM</b>	<i>John Everingham</i> John Goldhammer Tom Nygren George Waldron	<i>John Everingham</i> Ken Bellamy Nick VanDyke Victor Johnson	<i>John Everingham</i> John Goldhammer Tom Nygren George Waldron	<i>John Everingham</i> Ken Bellamy Nick VanDyke Victor Johnson	<i>John Everingham</i> Tom Nygren Paul Andersen Jerry Maasdam
<b>Head Usher 10:30AM</b>	<i>Logan West</i>	<i>Logan West</i>	<i>Logan West</i>	<i>Logan West</i>	<i>Logan West</i>
<b>Speaker</b>	Pastor Steve	Josh Nix	Pastor Steve	Pastor Steve	Josh Nix



# DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Prayer Teams</b> 8AM Trad. Worship 9:10AM Adult Bible/WC 9:15AM New Member/Lib 10:30AM Cont. Worship 1PM Bethesda Christmas 2PM Girl Scouts/210 5PM Buck/Werten LG/206	9AM Exercise/CC 3:30 Faith BB/CC 6PM Cub/Scouts/210 6:30PM MMT/CC	9:30AM Staff Meeting/Lib 4PM BB/CC 6PM Global Mission/206 6:30PM Stewardship 7PM Scouts/CC	9AM Prayer Chapel Open 9AM WM Quilters 10AM Library Ministry 6:15PM MMT/WC 7PM BSA Committeee/206 7PM Youth Group 7:30PM Choir/WC	8AM OTS Maintenance 9AM Exercise/CC 10AM Bible Study/206 4PM BB/CC 6:30PM Elders/Lib 6:30PM JAM/CC	3:30 Faith BB/CC 6PM Zoo Lights-Youth	8AM Men's Fellowship 9AM Private School Fair/Lobby 9AM UFO Women's Fellowship/206
<b>Blood Pressure Screening</b> 8AM Trad. Worship 9:10AM Adult Bible/WC 9:15AM Jr & Sr Ed/211 10:30AM Cont. Worship 12:30PM Confirmation/Lib 4PM Dedication Service & Meal	9AM Exercise/CC 3:30 Faith BB/CC 6:30PM MMT/WC	9:30AM Staff Meeting/Lib 11AM Sr. Lunch & Games 2PM BB/CC, K 7PM JOY Circle/212	9AM Prayer Chapel Open 9AM WM Quilters 6PM Christmas Baskets 7PM BSA Committeee/206 7PM Choir/Chapel 7PM Youth Group	8AM OTS Maintenance 9AM Exercise/CC 10AM Bible Study/206 11:30AM PS Lunch & Play 4PM BB/CC 6:30PM Beekeeper's/210 6:30PM Council Mtg/Lib	11:45AM PS Lunch & Play	
<b>Prayer Teams Tiding Articles Due</b> 8AM Trad. Worship 9:10AM Adult Bible/CC 9:15AM Jr & Sr Ed/211 10:30AM Cont. Worship 11:45AM Voter's Meeting 5PM Buck/Werten LG/206	9AM Exercise/CC 10AM Agape Circle/104 6PM Cub Scouts/210 6:30PM MMT/WC 6PM Monday Eves Christmas	9:30AM Staff Meeting/Lib 1:30PM Prayer Shawl/Lib 4PM BB/CC 7PM Scouts/CC	9AM Prayer Chapel Open 9AM WM Quilters 6:30PM PS Program/CC 7PM Choir/Chapel 7PM Youth Group	PS Christmas Party 8AM OTS Maintenance 9AM Exercise/CC 10AM Bible Study/206 4PM BB/CC 6:30PM JAM/CC 6:30PM HSO/Lib	PS Christmas Party	
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<b>Prayer Teams</b> 10:30AM Combined Worship	<b>NO PRESCHOOL</b> 9AM Exercise/CC 6:30PM MMT/WC	<b>NO PRESCHOOL</b>	<b>NEW YEARS DAY JANUARY 1 NO PRESCHOOL</b>	<b>JANUARY NO PRESCHOOL</b> 8AM OTS Maintenance 9AM Exercise/CC 10AM Bible Study/206 6:30PM Elder's Mtg/Lib		

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