

# CHRIST THE KING'S MESSENGER

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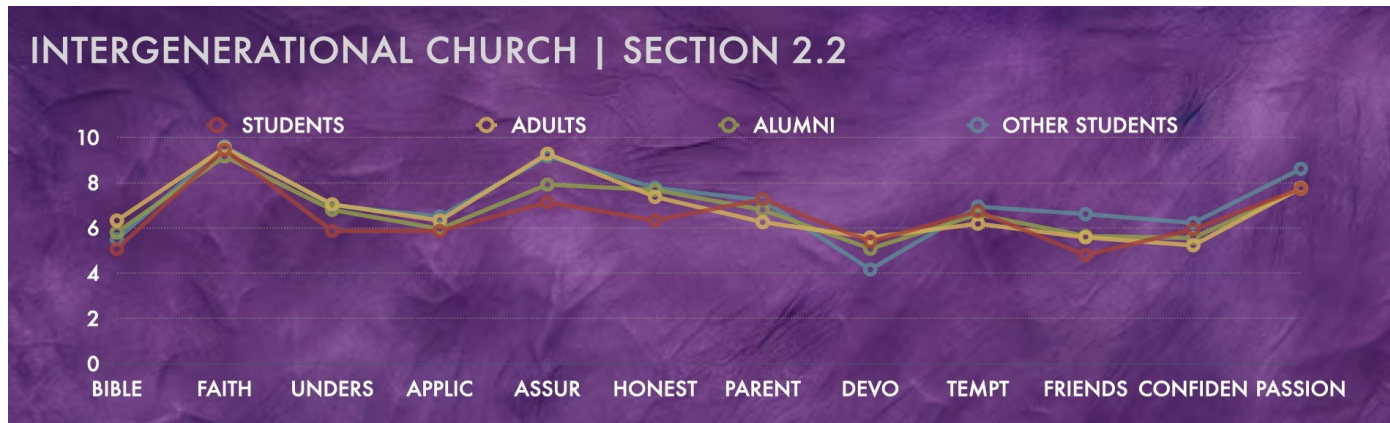
October 2023

*<sup>17</sup>God, you have taught me from my youth, and I still proclaim your wondrous works. <sup>18</sup>Even while I am old and gray, God, do not abandon me, while I proclaim your power to another generation, your strength to all who are to come. (Psalm 71:17-18).*

How many of you reading this can proclaim God’s wondrous works in your life? Obviously, I can’t see a show of hands, but I know that those of you reading this represent multiple age groups and have probably had some kind of God experience along the way.

The Psalmist experienced God’s work in his life as a youth and is praying that, even when he is old and gray, that he can proclaim God’s power to another generation. Here is where it gets tricky. As soon as you consider reaching out to the younger generation, such as teens, Satan deceptively begins to shout, “They don’t care what you have to say! They don’t want anything to do with you!” These are myths. According to Daniel Keinanen, who recently spoke at CTK, “Teens want adults to invest in them and to be connected to them.”

Again, the deception will speak, “But my generation is too different from their generation.” According to Daniel Keinanen’s research below, the differences between adults and students is very little as far as their view of the Bible, faith, understanding, application, assurance, honesty, parents, devotions, temptations, friends, confidence and passion. It seems that we aren’t as different as we think or are led to believe.



So often adult/teen interaction involves adults worrying about how the teens behave; so much so that teens begin believing that church and Christianity is about Law instead of Gospel. According to the book, Sticky Faith, before a church can develop long-term faith in kids, it “must understand that church is not about buildings, or programs, or activities, or budgets – it’s about people.” Also, according to Kara E. Powell in Sticky Faith, “By far, the number one way churches made the teens in our survey feel welcomed and valued was when adults in the congregation showed an interest in them... when adults made the effort to get to know them.”

The Psalmist’s prayer in chapter 71 was to be able to continue, even in his old age, to proclaim God’s wondrous works and strength to the younger generation. If you read the whole Psalm, this includes God’s deliverance and salvation. Verse twenty adds, “You caused me to experience many troubles and misfortunes, but you will revive me again. You will bring me up again, even from the depths of the earth.”

Can you imagine how much confidence in the Lord a teen could gain from such a real-life testimony? Adults, let’s find ways to reach out to the generations and proclaim God’s wondrous works. We all need it!

Pastor Tim

October 1 *Special Delivery*

2 Timothy 2:14-26

Pastor Kirk Thorson

Pastor Joe's Installation

## October Sermon Series:

### *The Generations:*

October 8 *The Generational Effect* Exodus 34:1-9 Pastor Tim

October 15 *Declaring God's Truth* Psalm 145 Pastor Joe

October 22 *Sharing Your God Experience* Deuteronomy 11:1-9 Pastor Tim

October 29 *The Generational Potential* Matthew 1:1-17 Pastor Tim

Sunday, October 1 Pastor Kirk Thorson will be here to officiate at Pastor Joe Larson's Installation at CTK. Cake and coffee will be served at the regular brunch time.



**Nov 13-17**  
**National**  
**Collection**  
**Week**

**PACK A**  
**SHOEBOX**

 Samaritan's Purse  
INTERNATIONAL RELIEF

### What to Pack -

Start with a quality "wow" item such as a stuffed animal, soccer ball with pump, or clothing outfit that will capture the

child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. See our gift suggestions according to age and gender listed below for other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies to fill the shoebox on the website

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/>

Operation Christmas  
Child Takes Off!!  
Don't forget to pack  
your Shoe Boxes for  
Operation Christmas  
Child!

Please remember to  
bring boxes CTK by  
Sunday, November 12

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church  
Financial Report  
As of August 31, 2023

Cash Basis

Balance Sheet

Revenue / Expenditures

	<u>Aug 31, 23</u>		<u>Aug 23</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>Revenue</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>		<b>Building and Grounds</b>	80.00
<b>Bank Total</b>		<b>General Revenue</b>	16,319.19
<b>Building</b>		<b>Outreach Revenue</b>	4,512.60
Altar Guild	338.39	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>20,911.79</u>
Building Fund Account	(528.91)	<b>Expenditures</b>	
<b>Total Building</b>	<u>(190.52)</u>	<b>Building &amp; Grounds</b>	3,387.98
<b>General Total</b>		<b>Conferences/Meetings</b>	272.00
General	74,069.79	<b>Discipleship Expenditures</b>	317.90
Truth Help	155.08	<b>Misc.</b>	102.15
<b>Total General Total</b>	<u>74,224.87</u>	<b>Office</b>	255.40
<b>Outreach</b>		<b>Outreach Disbursement</b>	
20% Offering	4,078.60	20 %Outreach	4,373.20
Children's Mission Offering	170.00	Smile Train	270.00
Thrivent	2,160.41	Special Outreach	110.00
<b>Total Outreach</b>	<u>6,409.01</u>	<b>Total Outreach Disbursement</b>	<u>4,753.20</u>
<b>Share And Care</b>	785.36	<b>Payroll Expenditures</b>	15,549.20
<b>Special Accounts</b>		<b>Youth</b>	611.53
Internship Fund	6,800.00	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>25,249.36</u>
Local Outreach Ministry	7,123.71	<b>Net Revenue (Deficit)</b>	<u><u>(4,337.57)</u></u>
Church Missions	1,493.74		
Marriage Ministry	307.98		
Scholarship	322.26		
Youth	8,713.93		
<b>Total Special Accounts</b>	<u>24,761.62</u>		
<b>Total Bank Total</b>	<u>105,990.34</u>		
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<u>105,990.34</u>		
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>105,990.34</u></u>		

# Trustee Meeting Minutes Christ The King Free Lutheran Church September 14, 2023 7:00 PM

**Present:** Dave Sutherland, Denis Parsley, Alan Warner, Dave Muller, Marcine Olsen, Jim Otter, Heather De Wilde, Dave Krusemark, Brandie Hulstein **Absent:**

**Also Present:** Pastor Tim Johnson, Collene Landgren, Mike Morgan, Pastor Joe Larson

**President David Sutherland** called the meeting to order. Devotions were led Dave Sutherland by reading from 2 Chronicles 15:3 - 4. Are you stuck in a rut? We often find ourselves focusing on our own understanding when we should be seeking God. He is standing there with open arms waiting to help guide us and love us. Dave S. led in prayer. Jim Otter will lead devotions in October.

**The Treasurer's report** for August was presented. Heather D. moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Jim O. Motion carried.

**The Payment of bills,** Jim O. moved to approve the bills, seconded by Marcine O. Motion carried.

**Ankeny Church Plant:** The August financial report was presented.

Pastor Tim reported Pastor Matthew will be increasing his housing allowance from \$30,000 to \$40,000. Alan W. moved to approve, seconded by Marcine O. motion carried.

Recommendation from Ankeny advisory board to give Pastor Matthew funds to purchase a refrigerator and beverage stand. Tabled.

**Housing Adjustment** Pastor Joe reported he will be increasing his housing allowance to \$29,952 starting October 1, 2023, it will be prorated for the balance of 2023. Jim O. moved to approve, seconded by Denis P. motion carried.

**Outreach:** Brandie H. moved to approve outreach, seconded by Heather D. Motion carried.

AFLC \$ 403.60 Food Shelf \$ 100. Brazil Student \$ 100.  
CRU-Jeff \$ 500.00 CRU-Paul \$ 500.00 Steele \$ 100.00  
Alpha Center \$ 300.00 Kvale's(Wycliffe) \$ 500.00  
Atlas for Life \$ 200. Children's Life \$ 200. PAS Wellness \$ 100.  
Abels \$ 100. Lost Timber \$ 100. Ankeny Church Plant \$ 500.  
Lake Benton Food Shelf \$ 100.00 Hope Haven \$ 275.00

**The secretary's report** from the August 10, 2023 meeting was presented. Denis P. moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Dave M. Motion carried.

**Elders' Consultation:** Met August 20. Discussed fall brunch schedule, Discussed flexibility with end time of church and start/end time of Sunday School. Future guest speakers: Elders will be inviting and approving. Trustees will determine to approve for free-will offering.

**Youth Ministry and Family Ministry Reports: Youth Ministry:** Pastor Joe held a youth/family time on Sunday, Sept 10 for the first get together. Next Sunday it is at the church and will be rotating between homes and the church.

**Pastors' Report: Pastor Tim:** Submitted a report of his activities for the last month. Discussed Daniel Keinanen's upcoming visit. Denis P. moved to pay Daniel \$ 750 for time and mileage. Heather D. seconded; motion carried. There are 3 people in the process of membership and 3-6 more are interested in becoming members.

**Pastor Joe:** Submitted a written report of his activities for the month. Pastor Joe has been going to the middle school and high school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 am to 1 pm to have lunch with students. Discussed family studies and confirmation.

Vacation request October 7 & 8. Jim O. moved to approve, seconded by Marcine O. motion carried.

**Old Business: Landscaping:** Update from Denis P. & Alan W. Plants are ready to be put in and then rocks can be spread. Discussion about putting a sidewalk from the door north of the entry to the parking lot. Brandie H. and Marcine O. will get pricing.

**Cross on entry:** Jim O. reported waiting for the finish work.

**Wireless microphone:** waiting for quote. Collene

**Security Cameras:** tabled to get bids. Going to check on Ring.

**Building use policy:** The final policy was presented. Alan W. moved, seconded by Dave M. to approve the policy. Motion carried.

**ALICE Training:** Marcine O. will check with Brian Danks if October 15 will work for him.

**New Business: Request to use fellowship hall:** Request from Pipestone County Hospice Program to use the fellowship hall on October 26. Marcine O. moved to approve, seconded by Heather D. No charge for using the hall. Will require proof of insurance. motion carried.

**Lori Williams requested** to use the fellowship hall for a quilting workshop Oct 19, to set up and Oct 20 & 21. Brandie H. moved to approve, seconded by Marcine O. Will require proof of insurance. motion carried.

**Heather DeWilde requested** to use the fellowship hall on October 9. Brandie H. moved to approve, seconded by Dave K. motion carried.

**October 29** Matthew & Ednay Abel will be at CTK to share about their mission work in Paraguay.

**CTK 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** is October 29. Will put in bulletin.

**Credit Card Policy:** Collene L. presented a draft of the credit card policy. Pastor Tim suggested a revision. Tabled

**Brunch serving:** Sharon Amdahl requested the Trustees oversee brunch once a month. There was discussion on how to get others interested in helping prepare, serve and clean up after brunch so the same few people are doing it all the time.

**Homeschool Group:** Denis P. moved seconded by Alan W. to have the Classical Conversations group sign the Facility Use Agreement. Motion carried. Alan W. moved seconded by Denis P. to approve Marcine O. as the Trustee contact person for the homeschool group. Motion carried.

**Cork board in classroom:** Brandie H. requested permission to purchase a cork board to put in the north classroom in the balcony.

**Other:** Pastor Tim reminded the board Pastor Joe's installation ceremony is October 1. Brandie H. moved seconded by Heather D. to have cake and coffee for brunch time, with the elders' approval. Motion carried.

**Pastor Tim requested vacation** October 14 & 15. Brandie H. moved to approve, seconded by Jim O. motion carried.

**Alan W, recommended the** wooden benches outside be removed and disposed. All agreed.

**Alan W. informed** the board some of the lights for the flags are burned out. Marcine O. will check on getting them replaced with LED lights.

**Brandie H. reported** Luke Russell with Hope Haven is looking for a few adults to join the mission trips to Haiti and Costa Rico.

**Dave S. adjourned the meeting.** Pastor Joe closed in prayer. Collene Landgren, recording secretary {Draft subject to approval by the trustees}



- 2 HEATHER DEWILDE
- 3 THEODORE SLEGRS
- 4 DON WESTERBUR
- 4 LEVI FORNESS
- 5 JOSIE SUTHERLAND
- 6 KOLTON HOHEISEL
- 6 MARCINE OLSEN
- 7 JAN MULLER
- 10 KIERA BROCKBERG
- 10 DARYL VILAND
- 10 DAVE MULLER
- 10 CHRISTOPHER  
SUTHERLAND
- 11 GERRI APPELDORN
- 13 DIANE SCHAAP
- 13 COLE MALY
- 13 TIM JOHNSON
- 14 JAMES MONK
- 14 BRYAN MANZEY
- 15 CONNOR HOLT
- 15 CRISTIN WINTER
- 15 BRADEN OTTER
- 15 CINDY JOHNSON
- 17 CADEN KULM
- 17 LAURA MINET
- 20 RODNEY ALTENA
- 21 JODIE MINET
- 22 JANE SMITH
- 23 CALYN HULSTEIN
- 23 JASON STEUCK
- 24 RUSSELL ROOD
- 25 OONA FEY
- 26 MARILYN VAN ESSEN
- 27 BILL STEUCK
- 27 LAUREL BERG
- 31 JORDAN DERUYTER
- 31 HARRIET ODENS

**Quilters  
meet  
Wednesday  
October 4  
@ 1 PM**



**Community Prayer  
October 2 @ 7 PM  
Music Room @ PAS**



**Trustees Meet  
Thursday  
October 12 @ 7**




District Pastors'  
Meeting Oct 12  
10 AM at  
Sioux Falls, SD

Pastor Joe will be on  
vacation October 7 - 8

Pastor Tim will be on  
vacation October 14 - 15

*NewsLetter*  
**DEADLINE**  
October 22

**Christ the King serves** 

**October 26, 2023 2-5 PM**

**at the Pipestone Food Shelf.**

They are requesting 2-4 people help.  
Contact Diana Ulk or the church  
office at 507-825-5958 if you are  
willing to help. Thank you!



**Set  
Clocks  
Fall  
Back  
Nov 5**



*harvest*

...WHOEVER  
SOWS  
*generously.*  
WILL  
ALSO  
REAP  
*generously.*

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6, NIV

# THANKS *from the* HEART

The family of Donna Berg would like to thank the members of Christ the King for their support and prayers. Thank you to Pastor Tim and his prayers and message at Mom's funeral. Thank you to all who helped prepare the funeral lunch. Thank you to Bill & Judy Steuck who provided the music for the service. Thanks to all who helped behind the scenes to make everything run smoothly.

Marlin Berg, Barbara (Berg) & Jerry Lundberg, Philip & Laurel Berg, Dan & Lora Berg, Daryl & Mary Berg We are so thankful for your love & support.

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Hope Haven Inc. I want to thank the VBS of Christ the King Lutheran Church for your recent donation of \$ 783.56. We're grateful for the servant hearts of these little ones, teaching them the words of the Apostle Paul when they are young: "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

We are thankful for all our donations, but they're extra special when they come from children. Please accept our sincere thanks for your generous donation, and pass on to the kids how much we truly appreciate their enthusiasm and support.

With gratitude Rich Koele, Manager of Church Relations

The WMF Rally was a wonderful event filled with good teaching, fellowship, Music, and fun. The 42 women who came enjoyed it a lot. A thank you goes out to those who helped through donations, work and presentations.

A special thanks to the committee of women who planned and carried out the event, to Morgan McNickle for preparing the meat, to Collene for her help, to Pastor Matthew for his Bible Study and presentation of their church plant, to Shiela for her music leadership, and to Pastor Tim and Pastor Joe for taking part.

Jeanette Larson



## Coming to CTK Sunday, October 29

### Come Join The Abel Family:

Matthew, Ednay & their children: Zoey, Ian, Boaz from **5-6:30 PM** to enjoy a supper of barbecues, chips and ice cream (with toppings) as well as their missionary highlights.

They are the first Brazilian church-sent missionaries to endeavor in planting a Free Lutheran Church in Villarrica, Paraguay, which previously had no evangelical influence.



## Upcoming Events

- October 1 Youth / Family Study
- October 8 No Youth / Family Study
- October 15 SNA (see announcement below)
- October 22 Youth / Family Study
- October 19 & 20 FLBC UpClose
- October 29 Abels @ CTK Mission Update
- November 22 Thanksgiving Eve Service
- December 17 Youth Sunday



### UpClose October 19 - 20

UpClose is a free preview event for **high school Juniors and Seniors** as well as recent grads. This two-day event includes a full tour of the campus, chapel, FLBC classes, meals, and a chance to get to know other potential students. For more information or to register contact Pastor Joe by October 11.

COMMUNITY  
FELLOWSHIP  
DISCIPLESHIP

RSVP to Pastor Joe by  
October 4

- SUNDAY OCT. 15, 2023
- 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- HEARTLAND CORNMAZE (3PM - 5PM)
- ABIDING SAVIOR FLC (5PM - 7PM)
- \$8 - CORN-MAZE / DINNER



# MISSIONS

**Missionary of the Month** John & Hannah Lee; Bethany, Eliza, Ayda, Anastasia, John Jr., Jeffery Brazil

## **July Greetings from the Lees Eight!**

Jeffrey Robert Lee has arrived! We are praising the Lord with Auntie Joy and Grandma Lee for Hannah's safe, full term delivery. "The Lord has done great things for us and we are glad!" (Psalm 126:3)

John and Hannah Lee have been missionaries with AFLC World Missions since 2018. John grew up on the mission field in Bangladesh and early on had a desire to work with global missions. While in Alaska, he met his wife Hannah, who also had her heart drawn to God's work abroad by the testimony of missionaries in her church. John and Hannah have six children and their family lives in Campo Mourão, Brazil.

The Brazilian Free Lutheran Seminary (SETELL) We are praising the Lord for our 5 graduates this semester. Both the graduates and first year students shared testimonies of what God has done in their life at an end of semester Churrasco ("shoe-ha-scoe": Brazilian BBQ).

Tales & Morgana will continue their lay ministry here at Central congregation (Morgana is a stay at home mom and Tales opened an autobody shop). Jakson & Julia are off to serve our Campo Largo congregation in the Curitiba field (Jakson grew up in that congregation. They desire to serve in missions with us). Sanderson desires to continue leading worship at Central under Pastor Alex.

**A Testimony from Graduates** Jakson & Julia recently wrote for the Lutheran Ambassador (page 16) reflecting on the power of God demonstrated in their lives through SETELL, you can find the excerpted page here. Here are some of their words: As we finish up our time at SETELL, we ask: "What are our next steps?" We have a missionary heart and the will to preach the gospel wherever we go and in whatever ways God wants us to use our gifts. We want to be vessels in His hands and do His will, not ours. We know the world needs Jesus. The verses from Romans brought us to SETELL. We want to announce the gospel of peace wherever we go and whatever the cost. We want to be used to share about Him wherever He is needed. We are pilgrims, and we live by faith. Today we are looking to the future and we are asking: "Where can we be the light of Christ?"



### **Please pray for:**

- Julia & Jakson as they begin serving Campo Largo Free Lutheran Church.
- Praise for the help from many as we adjusted to a family of 8.
- Biblical training happening at our schools that our people, especially our young people.
- DRELL program - both in its mission to disciple young people and in its mission to strengthen Biblical Lutheranism in our congregations.
- For a greater sharing of spiritual gifts and mutual assistance between our local congregations and our seminary.
- The seminary as we return to classes on July 31.



### **Children's offering**

#### ***Give a Copy of God's Word - \$10.00***

Following His baptism, Jesus went into the wilderness where He was tempted by Satan. Each time the devil tried to lure Him into sin, Jesus quoted Scripture. "For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve'" (Luke 4:8). By knowing God's Word and hiding it in our hearts, we can combat temptation and live Christ-centered lives. For \$10, we can provide a Bible or other Christian literature to believers in places where they aren't readily available.





“Let us do good unto all men,  
especially unto them who are of  
the household of faith.”  
Galatians 6:10

**Altar Guild**

Sue DeClerk

**Money Counters**

Heather DeWilde  
Marcine Olsen

**Acolytes**

October	1	Jordan DeRuyter
	8	Kynslee Hulstein
	15	Tanner Thomson
	22	Clifford Rupp
	29	Caden Bruns

**Family of the Week - Greeters**

October	1	Jason & Amy Steuck; Alyssa, Lauren, Hailey
	8	Dave & Dawn Sutherland; Christopher, Josie, Nathan
	15	Kyle & Sandy Swanson; Brianna
	22	Brian & Samantha Terry; Lyla, Griffin
	29	Scott & Christy Thomson; Corrie, Tanner

**Ushers**

Ross Lange  
Mark Mitchell



**Sound Tech**

October	1	Dave Sutherland
	8	Alan Warner
	15	Dave Sutherland
	22	Kyle DeWilde
	29	Alan Warner

**Nursery**

October	1	Amy Steuck
	8	Ashley Hoheisel
	15	Alyssa Steuck
	22	Amy Steuck
	29	Ashley Hoheisel

**Worship Leaders**



October	1	Denis Parsley, Laurel Berg, Charlie Hoffman, Susan Parsley
	8	Matthew Amdahl, Janelle Brockberg, Donna Smith, Jane Smith
	15	Bill Steuck, Irene Warner, Kari Rupp, Judy Steuck
	22	Praise Band
	29	Jane Smith, Laurel Berg, Charlie Hoffman, Susan Parsley



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p><b>1</b> 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Fellowship Brunch 10:50 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 4:30 PM Youth/Family Study</p>	<p><b>2</b> 7 PM Community Prayer @ PAS</p>	<p><b>3</b> 9:AM Homeschool Group</p>	<p><b>4</b> 1:00 PM Quilters Meet --- AFLC Pastors' Conference---</p>	<p><b>5</b> Bring Your Bible to School Day</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p>
<p><b>8</b> 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Fellowship Brunch 10:50 AM Sunday School / Confirmation / ALICE Training 4:30 PM No Youth/Family</p>	<p><b>9</b> 3 PM Private Event</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9:AM Homeschool Group</p>	<p><b>11</b> 6:00 PM Year 3 Confirmation</p>	<p><b>12</b> 7: PM Trustees Meet</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>
<p><b>15</b> 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Fellowship Brunch 10:50 AM Sunday School / Confirmation 4:30 PM SNA</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> 9:AM Homeschool Group</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> Quilting Workshop</p>	<p><b>21</b></p>
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