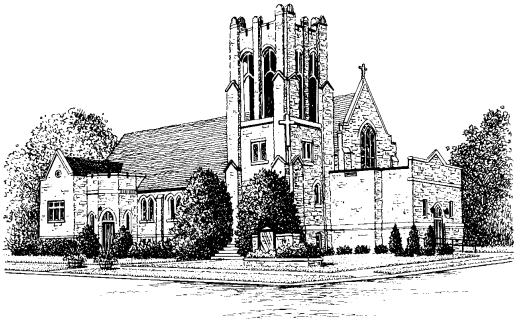


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ST. PETER'S NET

AUGUST 2024

Beloved in the Lord:

Two months ago I wrote about **time**. Last month it was **treasure**. This month let's see how we use our **talent** in God's kingdom.

One way we use our talent is to serve the Lord and our fellow Christians in our congregation. Before I went to seminary, my pastor asked me to be a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher. That was over thirty years ago and it's hard for me to believe that many of those young children I taught are adults with children of their own! He also asked me to serve as Chairman of the Board of Stewardship. This meant that I sat on the Church Council, having a voice in the day-to-day operations of the congregation. This experience has served me well as a pastor. I saw the inner workings of a congregation beyond Sunday morning. I was able to use my talents to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in my hometown.

Serving on a Church Council means meetings. Thanks be to God our meeting rarely last longer than an hour. Since my installation as your pastor there have been no arguments at a Council meeting. Our current Council gets along well. The busi-

ness of St. Peter's Lutheran Church Incorporated is done decently and in order. We have some talented men and women who use their God-given abilities to care for our properties, our buildings, and our workers. We also get to hear the wonderful things happening in our congregation's pre-school.



Soon it will be time to nominate new people to serve on our Council. Now is the time to ask yourself whether you could use your talents to tend to our Father's business. If you've never attended a Voters Meeting, why not come, observe a meeting, and learn how you can have a say in the future of our congregation? If you'd rather serve another way, why not help set-up and clean-up the chancel each weekend by being an Altar Guild member? **Both men and women** are encouraged to serve on the Altar Guild. Kantor Zieroth could use your voice in the adult choir...even if you don't so much sing as make a joyful noise to the Lord.

It's an exciting time in our congregation's history to serve. A recent demographic study of a ten-mile radius of our church building shows that we're

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in a baby boom for the next five years. You see that happening in our congregation with the many expectant mothers on our prayer list! The population is expected to continue to grow in Arlington, Poyette, Lodi, and DeForest/Windsor. Many of these people do not know the Lord Jesus, though He certainly knows them. Maybe you are the one we need to help us for such a time as this. Pray for strength and guidance. Be willing to serve if you are asked. Better still, don't wait to be asked. Volunteer your time and your talent in service to the Gospel of Jesus Christ at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

*Your partner in the Gospel,
Pastor Juhl*

Music Ministry



Happy August!

Upcoming dates to keep in mind:

August 25th, 3:00 p.m.: Second installment of the Rev. Dr. Marion L Hendrickson Memorial Concert Series with organist Jarret Schroeder.
September 1 and 2 will be Hymns By Request weekend. Bells and Choir will resume on September 4.

Hymn Study for August

“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” (LSB 851)

The author of our hymn this month is Eliza Sibbald Alderson. She was a sister of the famous Rev. J. B. Dykes, and was born at Hull, August 16, 1818. Hull is on the eastern shores of England, nearly in the center of the country. In 1850 she was married to Rev. Mr. Alderson, chaplain to the West Riding House of Correction, Wakefield, about 60 miles due west of Hull, 1833 to 1876. Her gift of poetry was secretly and carefully cultivated from early days, and she began when a young girl to write hymns for Sunday school festivals and missionary meetings in connection with St. John's Church, Hull, where her grandfather, Rev. Thomas Dykes, was the vicar; but these early hymns are lost. Though she wrote many hymns, only 12 were published, *Twelve Hymns*, by E. S. Alderson, neither date nor publisher's name. For the last three years of her life she was an invalid, and died after much suffering at Heath, near Wakefield, March 18, 1889.

If you grew up with The Lutheran Hymnal (TLH), then you may recall this hymn being used on Stewardship Sunday. The editors of TLH deemed it a Stewardship hymn. This may be due to author Eliza Alderson's own words. She wrote this hymn in 1864 and published it in the *Appendix to Hymns Ancient & Modern, 1868*. Mrs. Alderson says, "It was the very strong feeling that a tithe of our income was a solemn debt to God and His poor, which inspired it." Today, the editors for Lutheran Service Book have, just as thoughtfully, placed it in the "society" section. If we understand stewardship as primarily being about money, we miss the more profound call of Scripture and the church's liturgy,

and of Jesus himself, to be agents of peace and love in the world into which we are called by the Spirit of Christ. The channel of Christ-like love is deepened not just by our monetary gifts, but by our lives lived in service to the poor, the needy, the outcast, those who find themselves on the rim of society and of the church. You may find this connection made very strongly when we sing it as our Hymn of the Day on August 25/26. The Gospel Lesson appointed for that weekend is The Parable of the Good Samaritan.

1. *Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price,/ never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice;/ and with that have freely given blessings countless as the sand/ to the unthankful and the evil with your own unsparing hand.*

The great news starts off the whole hymn: Jesus has bought our salvation using his very own blood. With his sacrifice, we are saved! But, not just us. It covers the sins of the whole world in all of time. What an amazing God to bless everyone on this earth, even though so many of refuse to acknowledge Him or give any thanks for what He does.

2. *Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you gladly, freely of your own./ With the sunshine of our goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone/ till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by you, at length believe/ that more happy and more blessed 'tis to give than to receive.*

It isn't fun to include one's self with the cold and selfish natures of the lost, but the hymn reminds us that on our own, we are no better than the lost. Thanks be to God for being merciful to us and loving us even when we are unlovable. Just like the man on the road, we go our own way and get beaten down, finding we cannot save ourselves until that Good Samaritan comes along and saves us.

3. *Wondrous honor you have given to our humblest charity/ in your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to me."/ Can it be, O gracious Master, that you deign for alms to sue,/ saying by your poor and needy, "Give as I have given to you"?*

God gives us the poor and needy in our lives to also connect us to Jesus. While we cannot save ourselves and our good works do not count for salvation, it is through our love to our neighbor that God works. Surely, you have people in your life who need to be loved. Those people are the good works God has prepared in advance for you to do.

4. *Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price,/ never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice./ Give us faith to trust you boldly, hope, to stay our souls on you;/ but, oh, best of all your graces, with your love our love renew.*

Finally, everything is about God's gifts to us, not our gifts to God. Those gifts are packaged in the death and resurrection of his Son Jesus and redistributed to a needy world through our care and concern for our neighbor. I look forward to singing this with you and all the other hymns throughout the rest of summer!

In His service,
Cantor Jeremy Zieroth



FROM THE Vicar

Greetings in Christ!

I am your new vicar, Kyle Bliss. I am a pastor's son and I have lived in Minnesota for most of my life, but I've also lived in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Iowa. I did my undergraduate studies at Concordia St. Paul in Minnesota with a

major in theology and a minor in biblical languages. I enjoy lifting, reading, writing, and spending time in the outdoors. I'm looking forward to getting to meet and know you all over this next year!



*Yours in Christ,
Vicar Bliss*

Rev. Dr. Marion L. Hendrickson MEMORIAL ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

**2024 Season
Sunday's at 3:00 p.m.**

APRIL 28TH - DR. CRAIG SPROAT
AUGUST 25TH - JARET SCHROEDER
DECEMBER 8TH - JASON SNODIE

Rev. Dr. Marion L. Hendrickson

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Puzzle!

Match each word in Column 1 to its synonym in Column 2. Then use the words from Column 2 to complete the boxes below.

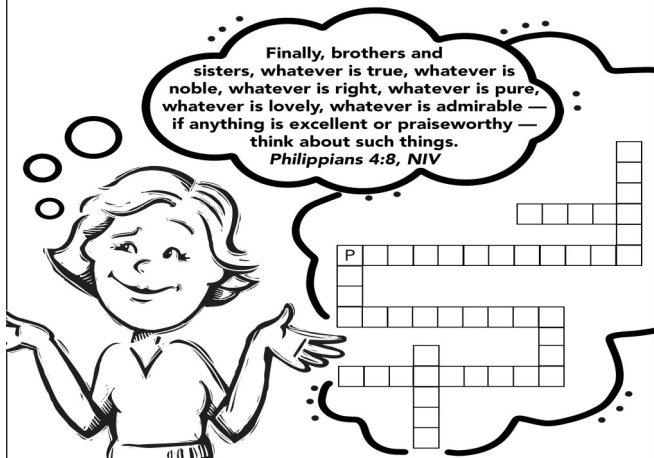
COLUMN 1

- correct
- commendable
- extremely good
- having high moral principles
- deserving respect
- pleasant
- real
- wholesome

COLUMN 2

- excellent
- lovely
- noble
- admirable
- pure
- praiseworthy
- true
- right

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things.
Philippians 4:8, NIV



Match answers: correct - right, commendable - excellent, extremely good - praiseworthy, having high moral principles - noble, deserving respect - admirable, pleasant - lovely, real - true, wholesome - pure, right - true, lovely - noble, praiseworthy - excellent, admirable - lovely, true - pure, right - true, lovely - noble

2nd Concert coming up!

Mr. Jaret Schroeder will be here to perform on our organ. There will be some audience participation in his program. Refreshments will be served!

CALLING ALL TEACHERS

Sunday School teachers needed for the 2024-2025 Sunday School year.

Contact Pastor Juhl for details. (608) 635-4825 or stpeterluth@gmail.com



You don't have to visit the beach to make a sandcastle. Make fluffy "moon sand" to build fun structures.

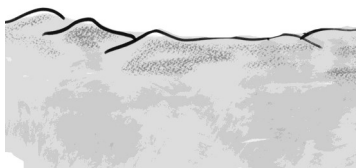
What you need:

- Large bowl
- Wooden spoon
- 8 cups flour
- 1 cup baby oil

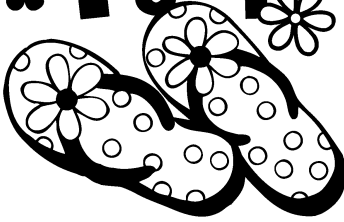


What you do:

1. Measure flour into the large bowl. Add baby oil.
2. Mix thoroughly until all the oil is combined and the texture is consistent. If needed, use your hands to knead the mixture.
3. The sand is ready when it sticks together to form a ball when pressed in your hands.
4. Use sand toys and molds to create a sandcastle. Store sand in an airtight container for up to two weeks.



Happy Feet



This summer, put your best foot forward by brightening up a pair of flip-flops.

What you need:

- Flip-flops in your size
- Metallic permanent markers
- Foam stickers
- Craft gemstones
- Plastic flowers
- Ribbon
- Hot glue gun (and adult help)

What you do:

Use these ideas to decorate clean, dry flip-flops:

- Draw with markers on the soles.
- Decorate the sides and soles with stickers.
- Glue gemstones along the strap.
- Glue plastic flowers on the strap between your toes.
- Wrap ribbon around the strap and glue in place.

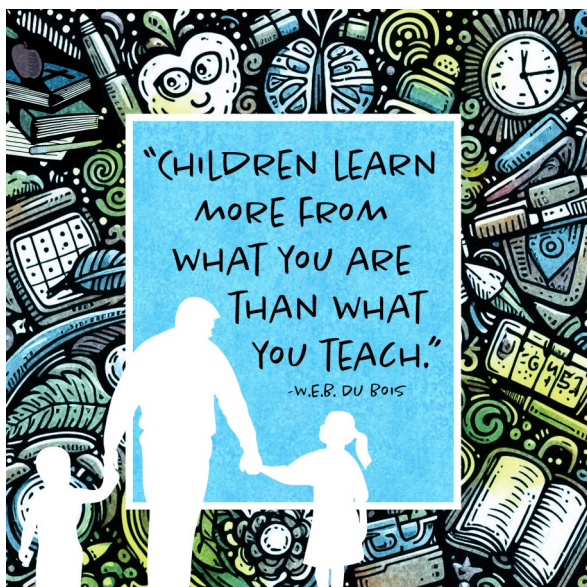


St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

Cathy Wendt, *Director*

July may be winding down, however we still have many things to celebrate! We are gearing up for a great week of Vacation Bible School as we get ready to "Celebrate with the Savior". This Sunday, July 28 from 2-4pm we will gather together to honor the Child Care Centers 30th year anniversary. Join us to share memories, enjoy ice cream and games for all. Social Emotional Learning information presented and tool kits for the kids. The party will continue on a float in the Arlington parade on August 4 at noon. If you would like to join us in the parade, please contact Cathy.

It's hard to believe that we are wrapping up the last month of our summer school program, but we will continue to enjoy all our extra friends, days riding bikes and playing in the water. Hopefully soon, we can check out the new Park equipment and have a picnic!



DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

<p>August 4/5 10th Sunday after Trinity Jeremiah 7:1-11 Psalm 55:1, 4-5, 16; antiphon: vv. 16a, 17b, 18a, 22a 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Luke 19:41-48</p>	<p>Order: <i>DSIII</i>, p. 184 Hymns: 909 - In Babylon by Water-streams - 668, 868 - 729 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Music: VBS Sunday (8am)</p>
<p>August 11/12 11th Sunday after Trinity Genesis 4:1-15 Psalm 68:1, 3, 7a, 10b, 19; antiphon: vv. 5b, 6a, 35b 1 Corinthians 15:1-10 Luke 18:9-14</p>	<p>Order: <i>DSIII</i>, p. 184 Hymns: 486 - TLH 317 - 761, 570 - 611 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>August 18/19 12th Sunday after Trinity Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: vv. 1-2a 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 Mark 7:31-37</p>	<p>Order: <i>DSIII</i>, p. 184 Hymns: 551 - 820 - 549, 524 - 794 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>August 25/26 13th Sunday after Trinity 2 Chronicles 28:8-15 Psalm 74:1-2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: vv. 20a, 21a, 22a, 23a Galatians 3:15-22 Luke 10:23-37</p>	<p>Order: <i>DSIII</i>, p. 184 Hymns: 848 - 851 - 716, 876 - 708 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>September 1/2 14th Sunday after Trinity Proverbs 4:10-23 Psalm 84:1-2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: vv. 9-10a Galatians 5:16-24 Luke 17:11-19</p>	<p>Order: <i>DSIII</i>, p. 184 Hymns: Hymns by Request Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>



BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday mornings between services a Bible Study is held in the classroom for the summer months. Stay after the early service or come early for the late service to join in.

Saturday morning Men's Bible Study is held in the classroom across from the office at 8:00am.

Ladies Bible Study is held on Tuesday's at 1:00 p.m. here at St. Peter's.

Join in this time of fellowship and discussion of God's Word.



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- \$55 for half a day
- \$10 for an hour

You will find envelopes on the counter in the narthex if you would like to place your sponsorship inside before placing in an offering plate. You may also



Reminder: as summer comes to a close and weekends are filled with activities and travels, we have a Divine Service Monday evenings at 6:30pm.



AUGUST

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Volunteers

COUNCIL MINUTES July 9, 2024

The July 9, 2024 meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President Cameron Gramse at 6:31pm. This meeting was held in the conference room. In attendance were: Cameron Gramse, Meg Hanson, Dale Johnson, Phil Kruger, Calvin Moll, Steve Paskey, Mike Pertzborn, Charlotte Reddeman, Alex Rehlinger, Stephen Saager, Dan Schmidt, Lynnette Taylor, Paul Yamriska, Jeremy Zieroth, and Pastor David Juhl.

Pastor Juhl presented the opening devotion from Romans chapter 6. Our baptism is a death and a resurrection. We are made dead to sin because all our sins get laid on Jesus, thus we are united with Him in His resurrection.

The Agenda was presented. Paul Yamriska moved approval, Mike Pertzborn second, motion carried.

Secretary's minutes were read. Dan Schmidt moved to approve the report, Calvin Moll second, motion carried.

The Financial Secretary's report was given by Lynnette Taylor. At half way through the year, general fund giving sits at \$15,000 behind projected expenses. Mission fund giving is on the same pace as the prior year and doing very well. Mike Pertzborn moved approval of the report, Meg Hanson second, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Meg Hanson. The checkbook balance as of today is \$10,045.19. We did move \$3,500 from the special purpose fund Insurance Reserve to the general fund in June to cover the shortfall in general giving thus ensuring that our account balance stayed above the minimum. No other unusual expenses. Cal Moll moved to approve the Treasurer report, Alex Rehlinger second, motion carried.

The Board of Elder's report was given by Alex Rehlinger. We are short one Elder as Brad Larson is headed for Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne. We have also said good-bye to Vicar Nicholas Sinatra and eagerly anticipate the arrival of our next vicar, Kyle Bliss. The Christian Women's Council has provided a light brunch type reception for our Vicar celebrations this month. We have had the Rev. Allan Strawn from Calvary Lutheran Chapel join us as a substitute for Pastor Juhl in June and we will welcome him again in August. There were no updates from Military Care Committee, Oakwood Community, or the Endowment Committee. Cantor's report: Cantor Zieroth reported that there have been a few instrumentalists playing with the hymns on Sunday mornings. The next big day coming up is VBS Sunday followed by the next in our Rev. Dr. Marion L. Hendrickson Memorial Concert Series on August 25th. There is a hymn sing being planned for Labor Day weekend.

The Board of Trustee's Report was presented by Calvin Moll. He has received 3 of the 4 bids that he was waiting on to fix the flat roof portions of the church. So far they range from \$12,000 to \$29,000. A decision will be made once the final bid is received. We are in a holding pattern for the window refurbishment. Melissa Pertzborn is going to come over and give the Vicarage a once over cleaning before the new Vicar arrives. The Trustees have replaced the elevator sump pump. The parsonage has a new water softener.

The Board of Christian Education report was given by Charlotte Reddeman. The Child Care Center has an enrollment of 34 students in their summer program.

There are four more to start in the coming weeks. The waitlist continues to grow. Shade tarps have been replaced and new ones added. The CCC is planning a "class reunion" on July 28th from 2-4 pm to celebrate being in business for 30 years. This event will be held outside with a tent, carnival games, and refreshments. We are looking to invite former staff, former students and the community to help celebrate this milestone. There has been no further discussions with Al Buchner about the old Methodist church. VBS is going to be held July 29-Aug 2, 2024. The theme is "Celebrate the Savior – Jesus Gives Us Joy" and sign up sheets for helpers and snack providers have been hung up. Bible Study groups: Men are studying 1 Samuel and the Ladies are starting 2 Timothy. Sunday morning between services is in the larger classroom in the education wing this summer to take advantage of the audio/visual aids.

The Pastor's Report was given by Rev. David Juhl. Attendance during the month of June averaged 93 per weekend. Official Acts performed - Funeral: William Bell (June 19th) Madison North and South Circuit Matters: Living Christ, Madison remains vacant. Looking ahead Vicar-designate, Kyle Bliss, will be inducted as our congregation's tenth vicar on July 14/15. He plans to move into the vicarage on Friday, July 12th. Pastor will be taking vacation time August 7-11. Pastor Allen Strawn from Calvary, Madison will preside over Divine Service on Sunday August 11th. Pastor will be here to preside over Divine Service on Monday, August 12th.

There were no membership changes. There was no old business as there was no further discussion about the facility guidelines.

New business was a reminder that reports for the quarterly voters' meeting need to be into the Church Office by Thursday, July 25th for inclusion into the packets for the meeting to be held between services on Sunday, July 28th.

Paul Yamriska moved to adjourn, Mike Pertzborn second, motion carried at 7:11 pm.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynnette Taylor, *Council Secretary*





**FINANCIAL REPORT
CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:**



Balance on June 30, 2024..... \$6,369.15
 Receipts for July (est.).....\$14,246.69
 Expenses for July (est.)\$(20,666.70)
Shortage/Overage (\$50.86)

ELDERS


Aug 4 8:00 a.m. Mike Pertzborn
 10:30 a.m. Paul Yamriska
 Aug 5 6:30 p.m. Stephen Saager
 Aug 11 8:00 a.m. Dale Johnson
 10:30 a.m. Stephen Saager
 Aug 12 6:30 p.m. Alex Rehlinger
 Aug 18 8:00 a.m. Mike Manke
 10:30 a.m. Alex Rehlinger
 Aug 19 6:30 p.m. Dan Schmidt
 Aug 25 8:00 a.m. Phil Kruger
 10:30 a.m. Stephen Saager
 Aug 26 6:30 p.m. Dan Schmidt




BY THE SEASHORE


The sea and its creatures are evidence of God's intention and purpose in creation.

Directions: Unscramble the words. Then copy the circled letters in order below to complete Psalm 104:24-25, NIV.



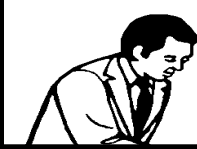
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How many are your works, LORD!
 In wisdom you made them _____;
 the earth is full of your creatures.
 There is the _____, vast and spacious,
 teeming with _____ beyond number —
 living things both large and small.
Psalm 104:24-25, NIV

Answers: sand, shells, sun, seaside, beach, umbrella, water, surf, waves, all sea, creatures



JULY USHERS

August 4 & 11

<i>No Chairman</i>	<i>Tyson Miller, Chair</i>
Wade Senft	Mitch & Ahren Schoeckert
George Schoeneberg	Mike Hendrickson
Phil & Austin Kruger	Stephen Saager
Jeff, Brandon, Jacob Rowe	James Saager
	Matthew Saager

August 18 & 25

<i>No Chairman</i>	<i>No Chairman</i>
Randy Schuster	Al Stoltenburg
Rich Rittmeyer	Brad Larson
Mark Hirssig	Bob Hagenow
Justin & Caleb Reddeman	
Jacob Reddeman	



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AUGUST Birthdays

8/6	Calvin Moll
8/9	Diane Johnson
8/10	Alice Hanson
8/10	Roger Frank
8/15	Mary Ann Frank
8/17	Marvin Manke
8/18	Mary Saager
8/25	James Barnharst
8/26	Donald Thurston
8/29	Keith Podoll
8/30	Gary Johnson

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
							
Trinity 10 4 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	5 6:30PM Divine Service	6 1:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study	<i>Vacation Bible School "Celebrate the Savior; Jesus Gives Us Joy" 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM</i>			2 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class	3 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 11 11 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	12 6:30PM Divine Service	13 1:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study 6:00 PM Bd of Ed 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM Bd of Elders	14	15 	16	17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class	
Trinity 12 18 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	19 6:30PM Divine Service	20 1:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study	21	22	23	24 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class	
Trinity 13 25 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service 3:00 PM Organ Concert	26 6:30PM Divine Service	27 1:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study	28	29	30	31 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class	
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