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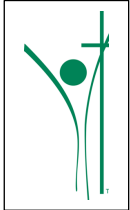
## PULTNEYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

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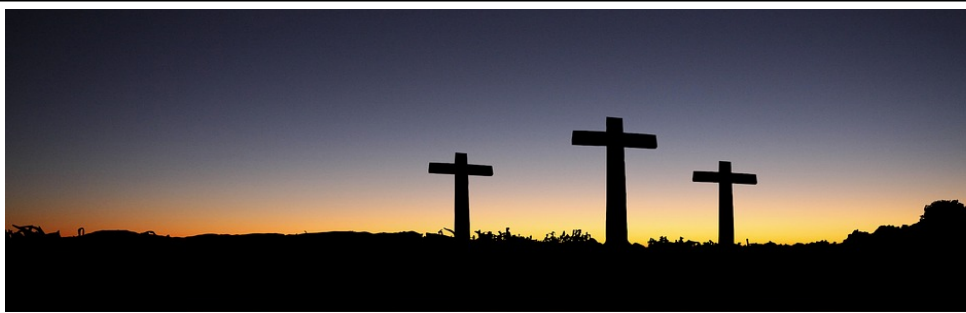
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**Rev. Dr. Eric Titus**



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Pultneyville Reformed Church  
P.O. Box 94  
Pultneyville, NY 14538

## ***Holy Week Services***

Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. - We will have our Tenebrae (Maundy Thursday) worship service in the sanctuary.

Easter Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 a.m. – Our Easter sunrise service will be held in the Pavilion. We will have our traditional Easter worship service in the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m.



### ***Palm Sunday Pancake Brunch Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:15 a.m.***

The Parish Life Committee invites you to a Palm Sunday Pancake Brunch following worship next Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in Fellowship Hall. Master Chef Mark Fiegl and the Parish Life Committee will delight you with a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice and coffee. Join us!



### ***Roc City Ringers***

The Roc City Ringers - a handbell ensemble (including our own Sara Webeck) performing a wide range of classical, contemporary, and sacred music will hold a benefit concert at and for Gates Hall on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by going to [www.w-phs.org](http://www.w-phs.org).



## *About Our People*

Congratulations to Amy Burdett who has been appointed to the Synod Ministries Board. Pastor Eric and Amy are also delegates this year for Regional Synod which meets in Schenectady, New York in May and also General Synod which meets in Pella, Iowa in June.

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"Thank you" feels understated next to the value of your support, encouragement and kindnesses. Your cards and prayers were (and are) treasured. Each card was read and each name was thanked and blessed before God. In addition, I want to add an extra thank you to the women who went on the women's retreat! As you know, I was excited to be there with Amy and Carolyn, but my fall and hip replacement prohibited me from showing up in person. However, your notes expressed so beautifully on your "recipe for love" cards, brought great comfort to me. So once again, thank you.

*Margie Setchell*

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Custodian Marlene and Sexton Frederick convey to the congregation their sincere appreciation for the celebration ending their service to church. The appreciation extended to us over the years and again at the lunch buffet was deeply felt.

*Sincerely, Marlene and of course, Frederick*

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Louise Hermet is a resident at St. Ann's Community, Room 740, 1500 Portland Avenue, Rochester, NY 14621. Her phone number remains the same – 315-210-0694.

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Please send any correspondences for Anne Hotchkiss in care of her daughter Diane Burns, 8222 South Shore Road, Sodus Point, NY 14555.

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Bob Hopkins is a resident at Seneca Lake Terrace, Room C12, 3670 County Road 6, Geneva, NY 14456. His phone number is 315-325-4265.



## Caring Hands

### April Meeting Dates

Saturday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, April 20 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.



Caring Hands  
will miss you,  
Marlene! You  
are a beautiful  
person inside  
and out and who  
we all love very  
much. We hate  
to see you move  
but we wish you  
much happiness!!





### 30 Days Prayer for the Muslim World

## Luncheon to celebrate cultures, mark end of Ramadan

By Nancy Titus, Missions Chair

Jesus told us to make disciples of all peoples, and for that reason Christians across the globe have teamed up to pray for our Muslim neighbors during the month of the year when they themselves seek God — Ramadan.

For us, that began March 18 and continues through April 17. The dates for Ramadan change every year, and what you see on your calendars may be slightly different. Muslims follow the lunar calendar, and the beginning and end of Ramadan is determined based on the sighting of the crescent moon. When this project first began 30 years ago, Ramadan was in February. When I first got involved, it was in July.

Whenever it is on the calendar, this month is considered a holy time. Muslims fast during the day and believe that prayers prayed during this month have special significance.

Through our 30 Days prayer guides, we are learning about various people groups who follow Islam as we “visit” 30 cities in the Muslim World, beginning with Beirut, Lebanon, one of the oldest cities in the world. We will spend a lot of time in the Middle East, but we will also travel through Africa and Turkestan, including the city of Kazan in Russia, home of the sizable unreached Tartar people.

To top it off, the Missions Committee is hosting **“A Taste of Eid: an End of Ramadan Mini-feast”** on Sunday, April 16, as a way to honor our prayer time as well as learn a little more about the people we have been praying for.

This luncheon, to be held after the consistory election, will honor the food of some of the cultures we have learned about as we also fellowship and hear some of the stories of Muslims and their journeys to Christ.

In preparation for this event, we encourage you to do a little research of your

own and sign up to bring a dish from one of the cities or regions where our prayers have taken us. That will give us a chance to indulge our learning with the taste and smells of other cultures.

You will find a sign-up sheet in Trinity Hall.

The **30 Days Prayer for the Muslim World** movement began with some Christians in the Middle East who decided to come together to pray for their Muslim neighbors. Over the past 30 years, that prayer movement has spread around the world as millions of Christians have joined them.

Not inconsequentially, the same period of time has seen unprecedented numbers of Muslims becoming disciples of Christ.

David Garrison, a mission researcher and author of *A Wind in the House of Islam*, has documented 70 separate movements of people to Christ from 29 nations during this time, more than in the previous 1400 years! He defines a “movement to Christ” as at least 100 new church starts or 1,000 baptisms that occur over a two-decade period.

Despite strict cultural and legal barriers in many areas, “these religious renegades are paying an incalculable price for their spiritual migration to Christ,” he wrote. “Yet they continue to come.”

Among the key things the Holy Spirit is using to bring this about are dreams and visions, the availability of the scripture in the local language and, of course, prayer.



**Pines of Peace**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Charity Brunch & Auction** 

**WHEN**  
May 6, 2023

**WHERE**  
Heights Restaurant  
7030 Bay View Drive | Sodus Point, NY

**TICKETS**  
\$35.00 | Available April 3 - 28, 2023.  
Purchase online or call to make arrangements  
M-F 8am-4pm. No walk-ins. Limited seating.

**10 A.M.** Registration & Silent Auction  
**11 A.M.** Brunch Served  
**12 - 3 P.M.** Bidding Auction

**MENU**  
**Monte Cristo Sandwich** with fresh fruit, chopped salad | muffins, danish & desserts  
**Vegetable and Cheese Quiche** with breakfast potatoes | muffins, danish & desserts  
**Chicken Salad Croissant** with fresh fruit, chopped salad | muffins, danish & desserts  
Each meal comes with a Mimosa or Bloody Mary (N/A upon request)

**315.524.2388 | pinesofpeace.org** All proceeds benefit Pines of Peace Comfort Care Home.

***Communion***  
**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The Communion Offering is designated to Camp Fowler. The Communion Offering is designated for Camp Fowler. Camp Fowler is a non-profit, RCA children's camp grounded in openness, hospitality, and compassionate Christianity.

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The Missions Committee will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Come-Unity Center. Baskets are available in Trinity Hall and Shalom Lounge for your donations.

***Our Missionaries***

<b>Nathan &amp; Nozomi Brownell</b>	Kenneth, Raymond, Luke	<b>Japan</b>	<a href="http://www.rca.org/brownell">www.rca.org/brownell</a>
<b>Felipe &amp; Janelle Silva</b>	Luca, Sofia, Mila	<b>Romania</b>	<a href="http://www.rca.org/silva">www.rca.org/silva</a>

***April Greeters***

**April 2** Paul & Rosemary Heilman

**April 9** Nancy Powell

**April 16** Kathy Orbaker

**April 23** Diane Stanton

**April 30** Linda VerHow

***April Ushers***

Alice Fox & Julie Fuller

Diane Luke & Sharon Moenter

Gary Orbaker & Kate Orbaker

Donna Reuter & ??

Need Volunteers

***PRC Financial Report***

**1/1/23 – 1/31/23**

	Starting Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Operating Fund	0	24,779.73	30,153.42	-5,373.69
Benevolent Fund	0	4,410.00	1,195.00	3,215.00
Capital Improvement	7,862.65	1,861.64	0	9,724.26

# Our Homebound Church Family

Don DeMarree  
900 Cherry Ridge Blvd.  
The Glen – Apt. 118  
Webster, NY 14580  
**Birthday: April 17<sup>th</sup>**

Louise Hermet  
St. Ann's Community  
Room 740  
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Rochester, NY 14621  
**Birthday: September 25<sup>th</sup>**

Bob Hopkins  
Seneca Lake Terrace  
Room C12  
3670 County Road 6  
Geneva, NY 14456  
**Birthday: January 2**

Carol Hopkins  
4172 Washington Street  
P.O. Box 192  
Pultneyville, NY 14538  
**Birthday: September 5**

Jennie Hubright  
The Episcopal Home  
505 Mt. Hope Ave  
Room 232  
Rochester, Ny. 14620  
**Birthday: October 19<sup>th</sup>**

Anne Hotchkiss  
1340 Parkwood Drive  
Apt. 240  
Macedon, NY 14502  
**Birthday: September 21**  
**Mail:**  
c/o Diane Burns  
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Sodus Point, NY 14555

Alice Morgan  
2301 Lake Road  
Ontario, NY 14519  
**Birthday: March 27<sup>th</sup>**

Ruth Naylor  
Maplewood Nursing Home  
100 Daniel Drive  
#120  
Webster, NY 14580  
**Birthday: September 29<sup>th</sup>**

Dave Scheffinger  
1016 Railway Crossing  
Webster, NY 14580  
**Birthday: June 30<sup>th</sup>**

Jo SomDeCerff  
4233 Scarlet Sage Court  
Ellicott City, MD 21042  
**Birthday: October 25<sup>th</sup>**

Lorrayne Walvoord  
4281 Congdon Road  
Williamson, NY 14589  
**Birthday: October 21<sup>st</sup>**



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2 Kristen DeMarree  
3 Amber Dubois  
4 Ryan Fox  
8 Jon Watson  
10 Tom Scileppi  
14 Dee Mascari  
14 Sarah Patterson  
14 Timothy Vos  
17 Don DeMarree  
17 Eric Titus  
24 Nancy Scheffinger  
30 Trena DeMarree

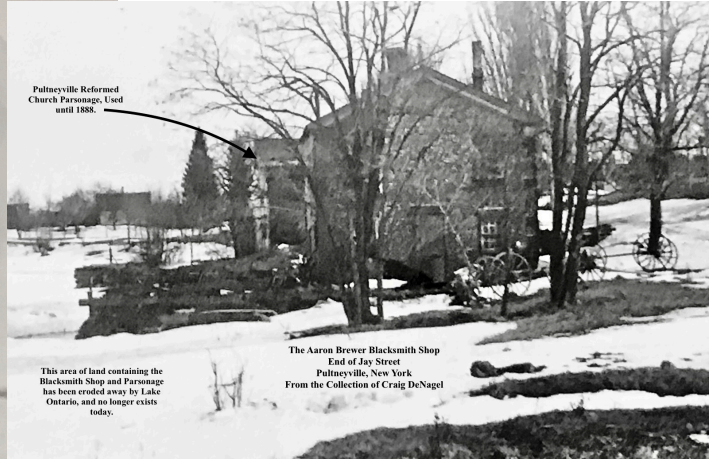
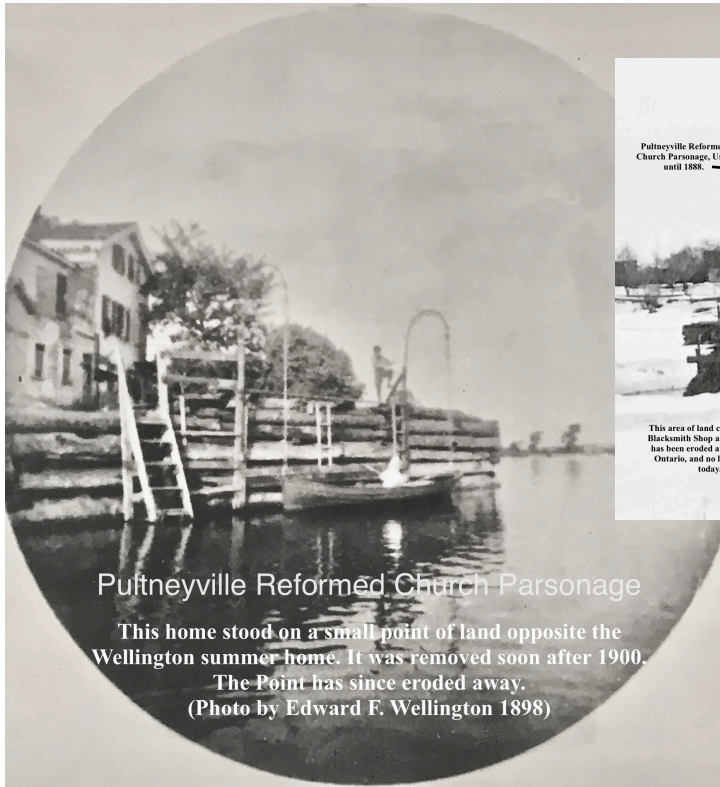
## APRIL LITURGISTS

April 2 John Manahan  
April 9 Alison DeMarree  
April 16 Dick Baxter  
April 23 Amy Burdett  
April 30 Tom Briggs

## APRIL ELDER

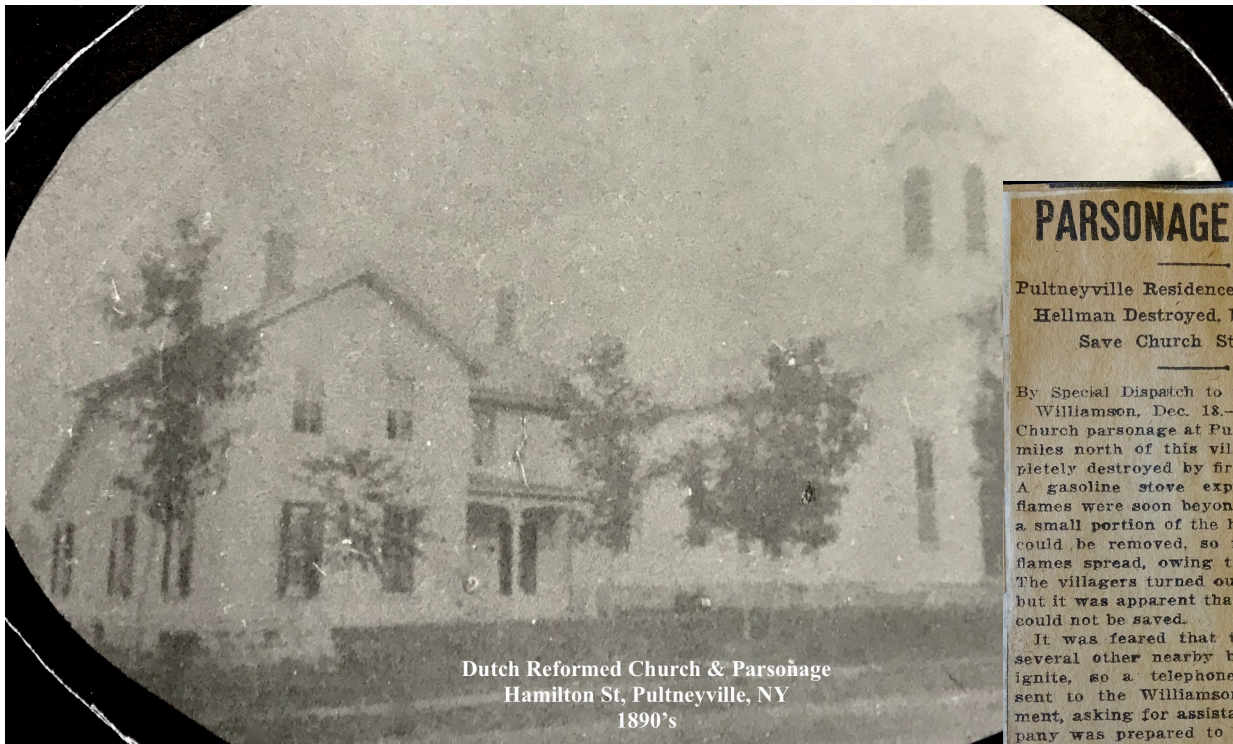
Alison DeMarree





The Church Parsonage was on the lake side of Washington Street East of the cobblestone Blacksmith Shop at the foot of Jay Street. This parsonage was destroyed by 1900 and today there is no evidence of where it once stood. By 1888 a new parsonage was built at the current location by the church, at the cost of \$1215.00, however as you will read in the following articles was burnt in 1911.

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## PARSONAGE BURNS

Pultneyville Residence of Rev. H. E. Hellman Destroyed, but Villagers Save Church Structure.

1911

By Special Dispatch to The Herald.

Williamson, Dec. 18.—The Reformed Church parsonage at Pultneyville, three miles north of this village, was completely destroyed by fire this morning. A gasoline stove exploded and the flames were soon beyond control. Only a small portion of the household goods could be removed, so rapidly did the flames spread, owing to a high wind. The villagers turned out with buckets, but it was apparent that the parsonage could not be saved.

It was feared that the church and several other nearby buildings would ignite, so a telephone message was sent to the Williamson Fire Department, asking for assistance. The company was prepared to start when the second message came, stating that the danger was believed to be passed, so the hard trip was not taken. The insurance on the parsonage was \$750, or about half its value. There was no insurance on the contents. Rev. H. E. Hellman is the pastor.



Pultneyville, N.Y. Dec. 26

Dear Editor,

Will you be so kind as to give us some space in your highly respected paper, The Hope (de Hope), for this article.

On December 11th our long-wish-for bell was hung in our church tower by our congregation. Because so many people came from near and far to pull the rope during our fire on December 18th at 5:30, everything turned out better than could have been expected. Our congregation is deeply saddened by the loss of the parsonage, but by ringing the bell, people came from near and far with pails and ladders, and through God's goodness the church and other buildings were saved. But the house was a total loss.

Mrs. Tellman with her little son, without a coat, came to tell me that the parsonage was on fire, and with the wind from the north there was danger that the church and everything could burn. We could save very little of the minister's possessions, only his and Mrs. Tellman's clothes; our Brother's furniture and valuable books were lost. It is a heavy loss because he does not have insurance.

But sometimes from sadness comes gladness. Some members of the congregation and friends outside the congregation got together to help the minister and his family.

But sometimes from sadness comes gladness. Some members of the congregation and friends outside the congregation got together to help the minister and his family. Our Christmas program was on December 23rd and at first we decided not to have it, because the congregation was so sad about the loss of the parsonage. But because the children had worked so hard to get ready for it, it was decided to celebrate and not discourage the children. Because it was such a good winter evening the House of the Lord was full. They came from far to hear the youthful hearts speak and sing of the goodness of the Lord. O how gratifying it was to hear the small children from three and four years and up to praise the Lord with such happy hearts. In this we can see that the Lord's word is the truth--even the infant praises His glory.

After the program their names were called off and they received their presents. Our beloved Brother was called also and handed an envelope. On Sunday morning with tears in his eyes he told the congregation that there was \$580.00 in the envelope. First there had been tears of sadness and now there were tears of joy. The Sunday School mission boxes were opened that same night and contained \$80.00. After receiving oranges and candy we all went home with glad and thankful hearts.

Note: The bell referred to was the first church bell. It was replaced in 1922 by the present bell, given by Fred and Martha Goovaert, costing \$1000 and purchased from Sears and Roebuck.

Immediately after the fire with donations our new current parsonage was constructed and still serves as a parsonage today in 2023. There have been many changes and uses of the parsonage which would be nice to continue to document.

At the time of the 1911 fire all of the church records were lost because they were stored in the parsonage. Our new parsonage was built at the cost of \$2,700. And was now wired for electricity and had a bathroom installed.



Pultneyville Reformed Church Parsonage  
Hamilton St. ~ 1976

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Karen Fox  
Jane Morgan  
John Setchell  
Paula Shultes  
Matthew Yost  
Tonja Yost

### Building & Property

Tom DeMarree  
Craig DeNagel  
Mark Fiegl  
Fred Walvoord

### Christian Education

Amy Burdett  
Alison DeMarree  
Linda Dubois  
John Manahan  
Kate Orbaker  
Paula Shultes

### Missions

Amy Burdett  
Julie Fuller  
Paul Heilman  
Rosemary Heilman  
Tom Moenter  
Nancy Titus

### Parish Life

Kathy Baxter  
Diana Lagoner  
Chelsea Manahan  
Karen Manahan  
Donna Reuter  
Jim Williams  
Karen Williams  
Carolyn Youngs

## Daily Scripture Readings

Saturday, April 1

Philippians 2:5-11

### **Sunday, April 2**

Monday, April 3

Tuesday, April 4

Wednesday, April 5

Maundy Thursday, April 6

Good Friday, April 7

Saturday, April 8

### **Palm Sunday**

John 12:1-11

John 12:20-36

John 13:21-32

John 13:1-17, 31-35

John 18:1-19

Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24

### **Sunday, April 9**

Monday, April 10

Tuesday, April 11

Wednesday, April 12

Thursday, April 13

Friday, April 14

Saturday, April 15

### **Easter Sunday**

Acts 2:14, 22-28

Acts 2:29-32

Psalms 16

I Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-23

John 20:24-31

### **Sunday, April 16**

Monday, April 17

Tuesday, April 18

Wednesday, April 19

Thursday, April 20

Friday, April 21

Saturday, April 22

### **Second Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:14, 36-41

Psalms 116:1-4

Psalms 116:12-19

I Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-27

Luke 24:28-35

### **Sunday, April 23**

Monday, April 24

Tuesday, April 25

Wednesday, April 26

Thursday, April 27

Friday, April 28

Saturday, April 29

### **Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:42-47

Psalms 23

I Peter 2:19-20

I Peter 2:21-25

John 10:1-6

John 10:7-10

### **Sunday, April 30**

### **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

APRIL		2023				
SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	Sat
						1 9:00 Caring Hands
2 8:40 Choir 10:00 Worship 11:15 Pancake Brunch	3	4	5	6 9:30 Bible Study 12:00 Caring Hands 7:00 Tenebrae Service	7	8
9 6:30 Sunrise Service 8:40 Choir 10:00 Worship	10	11	12	13	14	15 9:00 Caring Hands
16 8:40 Choir 10:00 Worship 11:15 Congregational Meeting 12:00 A Taste of Eid	17	18	19 6:30 Elders 7:00 Consistory	20 12:00 Caring Hands	21	22
23 8:40 Choir 10:00 Worship	24	25	26	27	28	29 9:00 Caring Hands
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