June 2017 / Monthly Newsletter of TUMC-Lomira

Sunday School Classes and Youth Group will meet again in September - May.

#### **UPCOMING SERMON SERIES FOR JUNE 2017**

For the month of June, we're going to be taking a look at what kind of church we are. We going to be taking a look at what kind of Christians we are. I said just a short time ago that I don't want to be an average church! To me, that's just not acceptable, especially since we're not talking about a social club here; we're talking about a vital part (I hope & pray) of the Kingdom of God! So, this pastor wants us to consider ... being GREAT. I believe God has placed me here at Trinity not to lead Trinity UMC to mediocrity, but to GREATNESS for the Kingdom of God! Here are the upcoming messages for the month of June that you're not going to want to miss:

DARE TO ... FOLLOW! (Matt. 22:34-40)

DARE TO ... CARE!

(Luke 10:30-37)

DARE TO ... SERVE!

(Matt. 25:31-40)

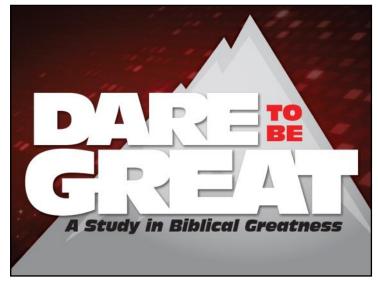
DARE TO ... GROW!

(Matt. 28:16-20)

DARE TO ... GO!

(Matt. 28:19-20)

Again, you're not going to want to miss out on this very special series, as we consider who God wants us to be as a church (and as disciples) in the years ahead! Come on.



Worship with us in June. I dare ya! Pastor Rom

#### "STAYING HEALTHY IN THE SUMMER..."

"And *let us not neglect our meeting together*, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near."

— Hebrews 10:25 (NLT)



Dear members & friends of Trinity UMC,

I realize that, as you read this newsletter, we will be heading into summer 2017. And we all know what the season of summer means in Wisconsin—especially as it relates to the church. It usually means it's a time to catch up with and spend more time with family & friends, many times at our home away from home. And, as I've stated previously, this is one pastor who's 100% behind spending more family time! So be encouraged in that; make sure you plan special times to be with family during these mild-weather months and make some memories together.

Now, with that being said, I need to speak from my heart on the subject of worship—especially for these summer months. And the first thing I want to say is this: I want you to stay spiritually healthy during the summer of 2017! My mother used to liken our patterns of gathering together for worship to our patterns of gathering together for a family meal. As the mom, she always used to tell us, "If you're not at my table at least once a day for the regular family meal, I'm going to get concerned!" Why would she say that? Because if you're not regularly nourishing your body with the fuel it needs to stay healthy, you're soon going to be un-healthy (sick)! And it's the same, spiritually speaking. Much of our culture today seems to struggle with the whole idea of being present at church—regularly. But, according to God's word, if we're the Church (The Body of Christ), that's what we do. And the reason is so that we can get 'fed' regularly from the Word of God. We need spiritual nourishment, just like we need physical nourishment—to stay healthy in every way!

God's word says (Hebrews 10:25), "And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near." Folks, we don't know what tomorrow actually holds; but we do know who is in control of our tomorrows. Matthew 18:20 (NLT) reminds us, "For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them." It's coming into Jesus' presence, on a regular basis, that keeps us strong and healthy spiritually.

Once again, *I want you to stay spiritually healthy during the summer of 2017*! Plan extra time with your family this summer; please do that! Make wonderful memories, using these mild-weather months and time that your children are off of school to do just that. I encourage you to! BUT ... when you're out of town this summer, consider worshiping at an area church or campground. And when you're in town this summer, don't forget about the Body of Christ called Trinity! Don't forget to come *home*; don't forget to pull up to the *table*. I promise you, when you come you'll get a quality 'spiritual meal' here. It's already on the menu...

See you in the summer pew, Pastor Rom

P.S. Another alternative while you're away during the summer months is always our website at <a href="https://www.trinitylomira.org">www.trinitylomira.org</a> where the Sunday messages are always available for your viewing!

## Congratulations to Trinity's 2017 High School Graduates!

Aubrie Brown
Brett Buske
Ellen Hodny
Mikayla Klein
Ryan Riedel
Marissa Schultz
Emily Schwanke
Aricka Ullius
Ryan Ullius
Mitchell Wroblewski

#### TUMC 2017 Scholarships Recipients are Aubrie Brown and Ellen Hodny

#### **Congratulations Graduates!**

**Alyssa Stucke**-Graduated from UW-Madison. She is a Transplant Study Coordinator.

**Maria Stucke**-Maria is graduating from West Bend East High School on June 11<sup>th</sup>. She is in the National Guards.

**Sierra Menzer**-Graduated from St. Norbert's College. Accepted and continuing her education in law at Marquette University.

**Taylor Klein-**Bachelor of Science Degree in Microbiology with a Certificate in Global Health. Continuing her education at Midwestern College of Osteopathic Medicine in Glendale Arizona.

**Josh Wroblewski**-Graduate of Lakeshore Technical College with an Associate of Applied Science Agribusiness Science and Technology Degree.

**Lauren Michels**-Graduating from UW-Oshkosh with a Bachelors in Psychology. She has already been hired for a career in her field and will be working in Fond du Lac.

**Caitlin Guell**-Graduate of UW-Madison continuing her education for a Master's Degree at Mount Mary College.

**Stephanie Luedtke-**UW-Madison, BS Biology, Certificate in Global Health Pursuing a career in Community Health, possibly veering into Optometry

# An Update and **Thank-you!**

Scott and I wanted to let you know that my surgery has been scheduled for June 27th at 7:30 in the morning at St. Joseph's Hospital in West Bend.

Things have been going very well so far. Tumor markers have continued to decrease in the right direction. We also had a CT scan last week that confirms the everything is decreasing which is great news. I will continue to be on the targeted therapy up to the time of surgery and will be placed back in it once surgery is over with.

Thank you for all the prayers and support during this time of loss also for my dad. I know that my dad is with me everyday and helping me to heal.

Thank you and God Bless, Karlene and Scott Krueger Family.



#### **NEW MEETING TIME**

The Men's Fellowship Group, which meets at Suzie's Home Cooking the 2nd Tuesdays of the month will now be meeting at a new time.

Starting in June, the meetings will begin at 8:00 AM. All are welcome.

#### **Caring Ministry**

The Caring Ministry is ready to begin in September. For those who have volunteered and for those who may do so in the future, you should know what to expect.

- 1. Attend two required training sessions: June 21 and July 12.
  - Both begin at 6:30 and will be run by Pastor Rom & Jane.
- 2. Following the end of the July 12th meeting, volunteers will be asked to sign a one year covenant.
  - September 2017 to August 2018.
- 3. Following a background check, each volunteer will be paired with a care receiver.
- 4. You will be expected to meet at least once a month ~ the day and time can be at your convenience.
- 5. There will be quarterly meetings to deal with anything that may arise. Well that's it. There is not too much to ask except that we could use more volunteers.

Should you volunteer? That is something only you can answer. I made the choice to volunteer and perhaps my story will help you answer that question. Much of what I learned about Jesus and His teachings came from listening to the music of the church inspired by God. Two songs have been important guides and motivators in my life. William Gaither's, "Because He Lives" ~ lines from the song say we can face uncertain tomorrows because He lives and He holds the future ~ my inspiration and great solace. The second song is "He Touched Me". I know that as He touches me, I also touch the lives of others. Some of His touches we are very aware and many others we're not, but we know this because He walks every step with us. So it is with those we touch. My parents and three other couples bound by similar interests (all were farmers) and friendship got together once a month to play cards, talk and eat. After a great many years all passed away except two of the wives. They both resided in assisted living homes. My brother and I visited them and asked if they would like to play cards ~ the answer was, "Yes". One of the women always kept her coins in a pill bottle and I always told her I was going to get to the bottom ~ to which she always said, "No". After a number of years, both ladies were also called to their eternal home. A couple of months later the son came and told us of how much his mother looked forward to the card games and then he handed me the pill bottle of coins. It was then that I realized that the games were far more than just entertainment. God intended for us to do this and the Christian love shared was indescribable. My rewards were far greater, as in the line from "He Touched Me" ~ "Oh, the joy that fills my soul". I am sure that all of us can relate such experiences. We all have the love and support of our families, but sometimes it's the Christian love of another that can make a difference. So maybe you will consider being a volunteer and feel the joy that fills your soul and makes your heart sing. Do you hear the music?













#### **CONFIRMATION UPDATE**

For those parents of confirmation-age students who may be needing a reminder, or who may just be wondering what the plan is for confirmation in the future, let me explain. When I moved here almost 2 years ago, I made it clear that there would have to be adjustments to the traditional confirmation program.

I did not do this without thought and serious consideration. Instead, with years of experience and several years of study in the area of membership (including confirmation), I made adjustments to the preparation for confirmation with the spiritual health of our young people in mind. Bluntly speaking, the traditional confirmation class (usually 2 years of Middle School) was just not working. It was not 'confirmation', where our young people would confirm their baptismal vows (the ones their parents had taken on their behalf as infants), then go on to be active, vital members of the local church for years to come. It was more of a 'graduation', where after the time of confirmation we would rarely see these young people again in the life of the local church. So, with the understanding that no method of catechesis (spiritual training) is perfect, following is how I've adjusted the preparation for this time in their lives.

Participants will now be in either their sophomore or junior year of high school—old enough to at least begin to understand some of the more abstract theological ideas concerning the Christian faith. Instead of a 2-year program, this will be a one-year program where participants will be in class (90 minutes) for about 13 weeks in the fall, then continuing to 'try on the church' for the remainder of the school year with involvement in worship, etc. At the completion of this year, an opportunity will be given to be confirmed (an important step in the process toward membership) sometime around Easter. Membership itself, however, will be reserved for those 18 years or older.

All parents of those whose children will be sophomores or juniors by fall of 2018, or any parents whose children would have been moving into a traditional confirmation program in Middle School who want to know more, will be invited to a parents meeting on August 16, at 6:30 PM at Trinity UMC. There I will be going over the class that is the pre-requisite for confirmation (called 'Essential Transformation' or E.T. for short). This class is primarily on the basics of the Christian faith, with an emphasis on making our faith personal. This will also be a multi-generational class, as others—either members or non-members—will be invited to take E.T. as well.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact me at the church office—(920) 269-4411—or email me at pastorromtumc@gmail.com. Thank you so much for your patience & understanding with this change in tradition! Remember: It's your children's spiritual lives that are stake. We want to make sure we do all we can to prepare them spiritually for their future—including eternity! Pastor Rom

#### SING OUT A SONG

I am looking for past, present and future choir members to join in song on Sunday, July 16th at 10 AM Trinity will be celebrating 50 years of God's Blessings as one Trinity United Methodist Church.

Practice: July 9 at 9:15 (Appreciated but not required)
Practice: July 16th at 9:15 AM (Required)
Celebration song is "Be Strong in the Lord"
Please come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord! We look forward to seeing you!



#### **BIBLE READING CHALLENGE**

For those who have taken up the challenge (or would like to take up the challenge right now!), we'll be reading through the Words of Jesus for a second time ... but with a completely different focus. The first time through this reading, we were on the constant lookout for the 'promises' of Jesus. This time through the reading, we're going to be keeping an eye out (and hopefully, keeping a list on the side) for the 'miracles' of Jesus--our topic for the next round. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Rom either through his email (pastorromtumc@gmail.com) or via phone (608) 417-0060.

June 1 – Matthew 1

June 2 - Matthew 2

June 3 – Matthew 3

June 5 - Matthew 4

June 6 – Matthew 5

June 7 – Matthew 6

June 8 - Matthew 7

June 9 – Matthew 8

June 10 – Matthew 9

June 12 – Matthew 10

June 13 - Matthew 11

June 14 - Matthew 12

June 15 - Matthew 13

June 16 - Matthew 14

June 17 – Matthew 15

June 19 - Matthew 16

June 20 – Matthew 17

June 21 – Matthew 19

June 22 - Matthew 20

June 23 - Matthew 21

June 24 – Matthew 22

June 26 – Matthew 23

June 27 - Matthew 24

June 28 – Matthew 25

June 29 - Matthew 26

June 30 – Matthew 27

The July newsletter deadline is June 23rd. Please have all articles to the church office by noon.

Our heartfelt thanks for the many generations of Methodist cooks and waiters that have provided extraordinary service to the grieving families of Trinity. The United Methodist Women are no longer able to prepare and serve the funeral meals here at Trinity. Hundreds of delightful meals have been provided for the attendees and family members. Words cannot convey our thanks for this outstanding service.

Chuck Rhein, Chairman Church Council



#### Healing Relationships LLC

Relationships are an important aspect of our lives that can bring us great joy or sorrow. No matter what stage of life you are in or what difficulty you are experiencing, therapy can be a helpful, healing process. My great passion is helping

individuals, couples, and families to find

healing and insights in their lives.

Joy Wagner, LMFT-IT 920-214-3733

https://joyewagner.wixsite.com/healingrelationships

Joy is available for counseling at TUMC-Lomira or in Mayville. Both locations by appointment.

Listen online to 105.3 *K-LOVE* Radio WLVE *91.7* in Fond du Lac, WI. *K-LOVE* plays positive, encouraging contemporary Christian music.





Many of you already sponsor an overseas child (or two) with as little as \$35.00 per month. Thank you! "Your" child is being given the chance to become a productive adult and her village will also benefit.

Trinity's Adult Fellowship has been providing that advantage to a child for a number of years, but advancing age, and changing circumstances have shrunk the group, making it difficult to meet the commitment.

The child is now 15 and the support will end when she reaches 18. Perhaps you've wanted to share the abundance we all enjoy through the luck of our birth, but haven't yet taken the step to make it happen. Or maybe you are a member of a neighborhood group that's looking for a purpose.

Please call Teresa in the office (260-4411) to accomplish a simple take-over of that gift or to learn more.

# MEMBERSHIP CLASS

We will be offering a membership class this fall, either for those desiring to officially join Trinity United Methodist Church as their local

congregation or for anyone interested in the topic of membership. There will be a sign-up sheet by mid-summer in the Narthex for this

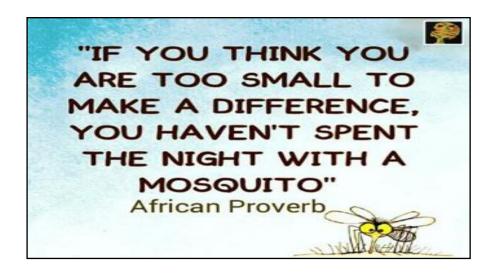
upcoming class. This will be a 6-week class with the pastor, beginning in October. The dates for this class, which will be held on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM**, will be as follows:

- October 4, 11, 18 & 25
- November 1 & 8

Please do sign up if interested in the topic of membership, or if you have a desire to be a member of Trinity UMC. I look forward to spending this quality time with you!

#### Pastor Rom

<u>Note</u>: Trinity UMC suggests a \$10 donation to cover the materials used in this membership class.





#### Did you know?

Did you know that TUMC collects Pig receipts! A very simple thing to do when you "Shop the Pig" is to save your receipts and turn them in to our church. There is a

receptacle in the Information Rack in the Narthex for you to place them. The receipts are collected and taken to the Pig for redemption.

### Sunday School Teachers Needed For September

We would like to have 2 teachers in each classroom as a team working together with the kids. So volunteer with a friend, or alone and we will pair you up. For more information, please contact our Director of Christian Education, Jessica Marschie at 920-583-4675

In September, since there will be no Children's Time over the summer, we will need Children's Time Leaders for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month and as substitutes.

Pastor Rom and Teresa will help with ideas for the Children's Moment. We just need someone willing to work with the children.

Please contact Teresa in the office 920-269-4411

TUMC Budget Totals
Year to date needed to meet budget:
\$82,500.00

Received through 5-28-2017: \$80,588.26 Budget Shortfall: \$1,911.74





Trinity Church has replaced the Heating System. The cost is \$60,000. A fund for the Heating System has been set up. We have currently raised \$51,806.32 Trinity Members we still need your financial support in the New Year to reach our goal. Thank you to everyone who has already so graciously given to this fund. Please memo your checks "INH". Thank you, The Finance Committee



#### **Videotaping Sermons... June - August**

#### Please, please, please...

contact Teresa in the church office if you are able to assist with videotaping the sermon during the upcoming summer months.

It has been requested the taping be done at the 10 AM service but please contact Teresa with your availability, for either service. If you are unsure as to your schedule, you can also check back in with Teresa later in the summer to see if you are able to fill any holes.

Haven't videotaped yet? Teresa will make arrangements to get you the training you need. It's a piece of cake!

Thanks to all who have assisted so far!

#### A Thank You from TUMC goes out to

Cook Tepmungkorn, friend of Leon and Joan Brasch and son of Aew Tepmungkorn. Aew was a foreign exchange teacher in Lomira 23 years ago. She turned Christian and was baptized at our church while here and while she lived with Leon and Joan. Her son, Cook, also became a Christian and was baptized at our church. On a recent visit back to Lomira with Leon and Joan, they made a \$1,000 donation to our furnace fund. Praise the Lord!

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017**

Begins Friday, June 9th from 6:00-8:30 p.m. and continues Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. here at *Trinity UMC* 





# June Birthdays

- 1 Lucas Hodny
- 2 Les Unferth
- 3 Jerry Klein Andrew Oechsner
- 4 Melissa Oechsner Cole Strassman Joshua Wroblewski
- 5 Victoria Bloch
- 7 Caitlyn Strassman Michelle Vesper Mitchell Janke
- 8 Colton Luedtke
- 9 Marlin Towne
- 10 Kathy Lavarda Brenda Michels Lee Oestreich
- 11 Nancy Andrews
  Brian Meyer
  Trisha Schwanke
  Dwayne Wolf
- 12 Faye Beck Nicole Dittberner Margaret Muehlius
- 14 Bruce Bintzler
- 15 Jeff Unferth
- 16 Cassie Beck
- 18 Dan Dewhurst Amanda Ditter
- 19 Jessica Marschie
- 21 Barbara Rowland
- 22 Michelle Large
- 24 Dorothy Bosserman
- 25 Pam Flury
- 26 Wayde Beck Syd Henke
- 29 Aaliyah Kaelin





Today is Father's Day, and I want to thank YOU first and foremost for being my eternal, unfailing Father.

I can always look up to You!

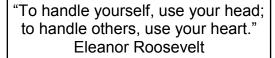
You are the Father of fathers, the most deserving of all honor!

It is YOU who first loved me and brought me into this world.

Thank you for always loving, protecting and guiding me.

I am so happy to be your child and call You ABBA FATHER.



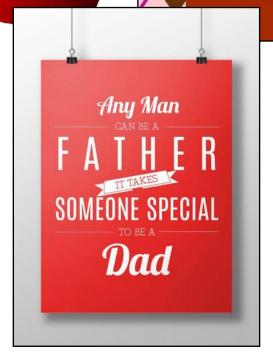


"You do not lead by hitting people over the head. That's assault, not leadership."

Dwight D. Eisenhower



- 1 Scott & Sandra Plum
- 3 Rom and Jane Pegram
- 5 Bruce & Debbie Bintzler Ward & Jeanne Hinz
- 7 Glenn & Jackie Eichstedt
- 8 Doug & Chris Kuen
- 10 Jeff & Dawn Faber
- 11 John & Elaine Muentner
- 14 Ralph & Sharon Germain
- 15 Tim & Jaimee Jordan
- 17 Andrew & Melissa Oeschner
- 17 Chuck & Mary Rhein
- 18 Marlin & Lois Towne
- 20 Pat & Kim Emmer
- 27 Will & Diana Jewson
- 28 Joshua & Jessica Marschie





#### **Prayer Concerns**

- Family of Ken "Digger" Jagow
- Family of Matt Huelsman (Friend of Sandra Porter)
- Patricia Gillis Thyroid Cancer
- Pete Vegetabile Pneumonia
- Teresa Caruso (Friend of Faber's) Cancer
- Dorothy Reitz (Lois Jewson's sister) hospitalized with Pneumonia 5-7-17
- Shelly Steinke lost feeling in left arm and side 05-7-17
- Laurie Miller trampled by a cow 5-7-17
- Lori Wilhelm (Friend of Sandy Collier) Cancer in Lymph Nodes/Breast Cancer 4-23
- Ron Olson Congestive Heart Failure, Kidney Issues and Dementia 4-23-17
- Mark Green (Nancy Steger's Son) Inoperable tumor on Fused Spine/Proton Beam Therapy 4-23
- Kim Eddy (Judy's Stucke's Brother) Update Not able to do Chemo to treat his cancer until they get his Hemoglobin levels up and prayers for strength and energy 04-18-17
- Patty Vogel (Friend of Randy and Julie Faber) Surgery 4-16-17
- Shelly Stienke (Cousin of Wayne Flury) Brain Tumor 4-9-17
- Dave Cook At home and doing well after having a Brain Tumor Removed 4-10-17
- Nori Odoi Pancreatic Cancer 4-2-17
- Mark Green Tumor 03-26-17
- Pat Kubicek (Deb Mazza's Sister) Dementia Challenges 03-12-17
- Shirley Konrath (Deb Mazza's Sister) Dementia Challenges 03-12-17
- Kelly Sanders Setback in fight with Cancer 02-19-17
- Pam Buske Cancer on her kidney 02-12-17
- Jackie Marquardt (Friend of Penny Beck) diagnosed with a lung condition 2-7-17
- Randilin Nichols (Debbie Bintzler's Sister-in-law) Stage 4 Cancer 2-6-17
- Jerry Wroblewski (Dave Wroblewski's Father) Recovering from Back Surgery1-27
- Bobbi Cantapio (Friend of Dorothy and Gene Hake) Breast Cancer 1-22-17
- Sue Merkel (Friend of Dorothy and Gene Hake) Breast Cancer 1-22-17
- Those serving in the military and their families

#### **Updates**

· Danika Newberry Lakeland College Student Heart Surgery Successful

"And I have nobody to thank besides the man up stairs. God is so good. Thank you!! Danika"

The CT and PET scans showed no evidence of cancer cells which means that I do not require further treatment. Thank you GOD! And thank you for your support. Marge had a consultation at the FDL Cancer Center today and she has been placed on medication to assist in the prevention of future disease. Marge and I thank you for the prayers and support through our recent ordeal, especially those who shared their experiences. Things have turned out rather well for us, but we continue to pray for those who have not been so fortunate. We are truly grateful. **Marge & Gene Junger** 

Dear Trinity Friends, I want to thank all who sent cards, phone calls and prayers for me regarding my recent knee surgery. Special thanks to Pastor Rom for his hospital visit. It was a real blessing! **Lois Jewson** 

June 2017 – Trinity United Methodist Church Lomira						
SUNDAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI	SAT.
Worship Services: 8 Coffee Connection			ip Services. Open	to Everyone	!	
There will be a short Meeting for the TUMC Mission Group on Sunday June 11, at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.				1 6:00 pm BS Troop 740	2 4:00 pm Visitation Kenneth "Digger" Gordon Jagow 6:00 pm Memorial Service	3
4 8:00 am Worship 10:00 am Worship	5 Last Day of School for Lomira	6	7 12:00 pm TUMC Staff Meeting 6:30 pm A.A.	8	9 6-8:30 pm VBS	10 10-11:00 a.m. Food Pantry 8:30-2:30 pm VBS
11 8:00 am Worship 9:10 Bible Challenge Discussion Group 10:00 am Worship Sunday School Kids Sing 11:00 Mission Trip Meeting	12 12-6 pm Blood Bank	13 8:00 am Men's Group (At Suzie's Home Cooking) 3:00 pm Hope Nursing Home Service 6:00 pm Special Church Council Meeting	14 6:30 pm A.A.	15	16 WI Annual Conference Office Closed	17 WI Annual Conference
18 Father's Day 8:00 am Worship 10:00 am Worship	19	20	21 6:30 pm A.A. 6:30 Caring Ministry Training - Part I	22	23 Newsletter Deadline	24 10-11:00 a.m. Food Pantry
25 8:00 am Worship 10:00 am Worship	26	27	28 6:30 pm A.A.	29	30	

#### Rom Pegram, Pastor

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WORSHIP SERVICES
First Service – 8:00 A.M.
Sunday School/Youth Group 9:00 AM (Sept. to May)
Coffee Connection 9:00 AM
Second Service– 10:00 A.M

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9AM-1PM

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