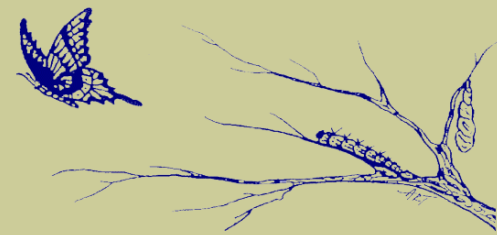




The Good News of Resurrection

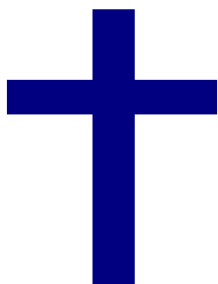


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PASTOR'S NOTE

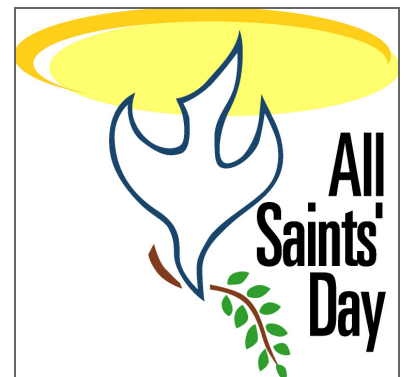


As we near the end of the church year we take a moment to offer thanks to God for those people who have touched our lives in some way but in the past year have passed on to the church triumphant. We call this All Saints Sunday. According to Luther we are both saints and sinners at the same time: sinners by our fallen state never being able to adequately fulfill the expectations that God has placed upon us and we are also saints because of what Jesus has made possible for all of us through his death and resurrection.

As we grow up in families we experience each other in our best and worst moments. The times when we are truly there for one another and the times when we wish others were not there at all. Somehow in the mix of all that life brings to us however a bond of connection and even love is most often formed. We allow our lives to be touched and shaped by the family and friends that we move through life with – the good times, bad times and even the embarrassing times seem to flow into a confluence of stories that are shared and told in the legend history of our days. And then at some point, some afternoon or evening a call comes and our world holds still for a moment while our mind seeks to grasp the reality of what has been told to us – the one that we know as a family title like Aunt, Brother, Mom or maybe a childhood friend is gone.

All Saints Day is a time when our spirit catches up with what our heart struggles to grasp. Though the people in our lives may not have been perfect, God worked through them touching our hearts and lives with their love. The lessons they taught us were those perhaps that are the frequent in faith – caught by us in passing. Caught in the act of just being who they were and living life. And God used those moments and interactions and simple gestures that seemed so insignificant at the time to make an impact and create a blessing that winds its way into our character and our values and our view of life.

Your mom who meant everything to you, Uncle Harry who smoked like a chimney, Aunt Myrtle who smelled like old lady's perfume, Vinney from the old neighborhood and Susan who you went to school with – names all from the echoed memories of youth and hallways of time – some closer than others, some have



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a longer relationship with you than the person you married – all in some way shaped who you've become and God's Spirit invited the experience of years to be melded into goodness that is reflected through who you've become. On Nov. 6 we express thanks to God for these saints who have intersected our lives and helped make us who we are. Please be sure to offer their names on the signup sheet and perhaps that day in the prayers. And when the days of earthly light close our eyes we can look forward to enjoying a celebration with them in the Promise of what is to come and giving thanks to God again for all those who have been part of our life.

See you in Church,
Pr. Dave



The next newsletter deadline is November 20th for the December edition. If you have information to be included in the next edition, please have it to Lynn in the office by the end of the day on the 20th. You can e-mail your article to: resurrectionchurch@verizon.net.

CHURCH ROBE CLEANING

Thank you to everyone who took and cleaned one of our robes. They look wonderful! As of now, all but two of the robes have been returned.



We are in search of the two remaining robes and kindly ask that they be returned as soon as possible.

Thank you all again!!

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Just a reminder that Daylight Saving Time ends at 2AM on Sunday, November 6th. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

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Worship Services: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.
..... Sunday, 8:00, 9:15, & 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School: Adults: 9:15 a.m. Children: 9:30 a.m.

CIRCLE NEWS, FELLOWSHIP, FAIR TRADE & CRAFTY LADIES

ESTHER CIRCLE



Esther Circle will meet at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 9th at Nikos Restaurant in Oldsmar. All ladies are welcome. Should you need additional information, please contact Gertrude

FAIR TRADE COFFEE & TEA; LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF MISSION



THE LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF COFFEE PROJECT:

Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? Matthew 25:37

Fair Trade coffee is a simple solution that can mean the difference between surviving and not surviving for small-scale coffee farmers. By making a simple purchase, we make a direct impact on the hard working women and men whose dreams look a lot like ours. They want to feed their families, educate their children, get medical care and improve their communities. Your Fair Trade purchase through the LWR Coffee project helps make these things possible.

Join the Women of the ELCA's mission to FILL JUSTICE TO THE BRIM! For more information or special orders, contact Karen Graves.

MARY / MARTHA CIRCLE

Mary Martha meets on Tuesday, November 15th at 1PM in the Jenner Conference Room. All women of LCR are invited to join us!



MEN'S NIGHT OUT

Men's Night Out will be Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 PM. at the Fox Hollow Country Club (10020th Robert Trent Jones Parkway, Trinity). All men of LCR are welcome as we gather for a casual social dinner and fellowship. Please plan to attend and call Ed Bartz if you have any questions. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the gathering area.



CRAFTY LADIES

Mark your calendars for some crafty fun as the annual LCR Crafty Ladies Craft Show prepares for this year's show. The show will take place Friday and Saturday November 18 and 19th. Questions? Contact Nancy McParland.



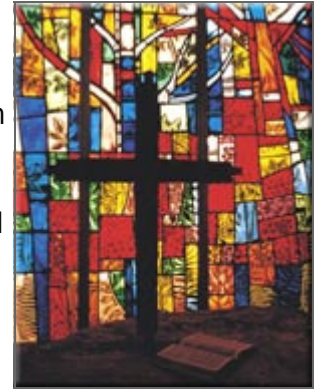
LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies Night Out will not meet in November but will have a combined holiday event on Tuesday, December 13th at 6:30 PM. Please watch the bulletins and the bulletin board for the location. All ladies of the church are welcome to attend this fellowship event



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSING

The first organizational meeting for “Faith Based Nursing” will take place on Sunday, November 13th at 12PM in the Jenner Memorial Conference room. Faith Community Nursing offers a unique partnership between two healing groups - Morton Plant Mease and churches throughout Pinellas and Pasco counties. This nursing specialty takes a "wholistic" approach to health care, promoting wellness of body, mind and spirit within the context of the values, beliefs and practices of a faith community. All who have an interest in this program are invited to attend. Please contact Carole Tuckis for more information.



SEW N' SEWS

The Sew n' Sews will begin meeting again in November on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Anyone who has an interest is welcome! You don't have to be able to sew to volunteer as there are jobs for everyone. Please contact Roxy Hoersch for more information.



LCR ENDOWMENT FUND NEWS



ENDOWMENT NEWS: The Endowment Committee wishes to acknowledge the kind Thank You notes received from recent Grant recipients Michelle and Keith Walka, Judy Webb, and Lynn Blackwell.

SEMINARY UPDTE FROM THE WALKAS

Dear Friends and Family at LCR,

Hello there! Just a little update from us Walka's in the almost frozen north... It is hard to believe that we are half way through another fall semester. Along with classes, we have started the application process for Internship next fall and have continued the requirements for candidacy (the process to become rostered leaders within the ELCA). We will be meeting with the candidacy committee on November 7th for our "Endorsement" interview, which is the approval we need to be able to go on internship. Your prayers are especially requested during this time!

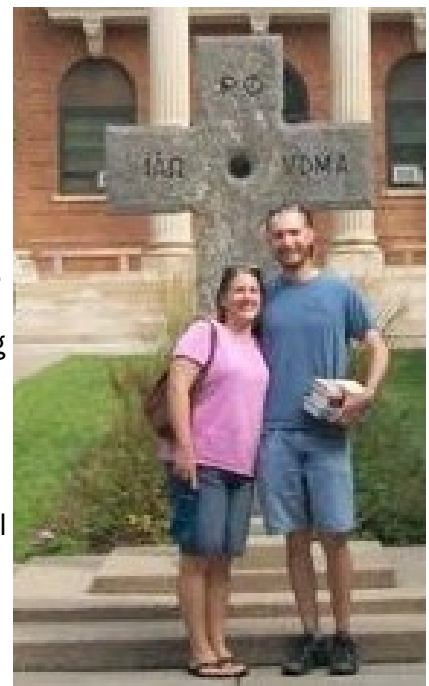
Classes this semester are going well. Michelle is taking three classes and is grateful for a slightly slower pace. Michelle is taking an Outdoor Ministry class, a class titled "God, Evil and Suffering," and the second required theology class focusing on Jesus. Although pretty heavy in subject matter, she finds them very interesting. Keith is enjoying the history class focusing on Martin Luther and the Reformations that happened in Europe. His first preaching class, which focused on the basics of preaching, just finished up in October, and he is looking forward to the next class in the spring. Pentateuch and Pastoral Care are Keith's other classes, which both have a lot of reading. Keith is looking forward to the Lutheran Hymnody that will be starting soon.

In other news, we celebrated Michelle's birthday by traveling to Duluth and up the North Shore of Lake Superior. This was our first trip to this area and it was amazing! We made it up there in time to still see the beautiful fall colors on all the trees. We also camped a night at Temperance River State Park and toured Split Rock Lighthouse. The walk down to the rocky coast was beautiful and hiking along the Temperance River gorge had amazing hidden waterfalls. God's creation in this area is truly stunning!

The garden is done for the year and we harvested the final bunch of green beans and our first and only eggplant! Time in the garden was enjoyable and it became a nice place to be outside and form community with friends outside of class. The plants have now been pulled out and now we let the ground rest and be nourished with the fallen leaves. There is an expectant hope that again the spring will bring blooming flowers from the bulbs we left at the edge of the garden.

We are certainly keeping busy with classes, church-life and all the day to day adventures. We also look forward to many things coming up... like finishing up this semester and some travels back to Florida (for a good friend's wedding and our endorsement interviews). Thank you again for all of your continued love and support! As we continue to discern God's call in our lives (which is not always so easy!), we ask for your continued prayers, love, and support. We are so grateful for you all in so many ways... and our prayers remain with you as well!

God's Peace and Love,
Michelle and Keith



MISSION TRANSITION:

Recently there have been several requests for information regarding the Tasks of Transition. Below you will find them as outlined in the Transition Manual published by the Office of the Bishop. Some of you may recall that these were previously highlighted on the Fact Sheet that was developed and circulated after the first series of Town Hall Meetings.

Council and Leadership of LCR are using this outline as a guide for planning as we move through the Transition Process. The Transition Task Team plans to update the chart posted in the Gathering Area on a regular basis to reflect what has been accomplished, what is being planned and where we are in the Transition Process.

Questions and suggestions are always welcome.

Five Major Tasks of the Interim Ministry

During the transition period, a congregation can reflect, renew, grow and learn about itself. Rather than simply a time to put everything on hold, the transition time is an opportunity for the congregation and interim pastor to do many things in preparation for the start of a new pastor's ministry. Among these are the five developmental tasks of the transition period.

Coming to terms with the congregation's history

What a congregation becomes in the future is related to what it was in the past. The time of pastoral change is a good time for a congregation to reflect on and learn from its history and past behavior patterns under the tenure of its former pastors. Sometimes there exist unresolved issues that inhibit preparing for and building a new future.

Discovering a new identity

The transition time is an opportunity for renewal. The congregation seeks to discover its identity as it comes from God and apart from the former pastor's personality and style. This is a time for the congregation to take a realistic look at the image it has of itself as well as the image that the community might have of the congregation.

Supporting congregational leadership shifts and changes

As ministry emphases grow and assume new directions, shifts in leadership and decision making patterns may need to be made. Shared leadership, with both old and new leaders involved, is encouraged. Openness in process, clear expectations, empowering of volunteers and good communication within the congregation is sought.

Strengthening relationships with the synod and churchwide expression

The interim pastor is in a wonderful position to help strengthen the partnership between the congregation and the greater church. Congregational leaders and the interim pastor assist the congregation in dealing with past perceptions or experiences and in building new awareness of the mission of the greater church. The recent history of mission support and benevolence is also examined and strengthened.

Deepening commitments to new pastoral leadership and the future

The congregation participates in many activities to build consensus and excitement about the vision for the future. As the vision for future ministry develops, clarity of leadership style, gifts and skills desired in the next called pastor develops. Preparations are made for the arrival of the new pastor and the conclusion of the interim ministry.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Youth News November, 2011

Psalm 69:30
**I will praise God's name in song
and glorify him with thanksgiving.**



Happy
Thanksgiving!

Middle & High School
Youth Group

Welcome 6th Graders!

Sunday's 6pm-8pm!

MIA 11/20

A **BIG thank you** to **Wendy
Karamihalis** & all our youth
parents!

A Silent Night

LCR's Annual Basket Auction
December 4th—December 18th



Donation collection under way through November!

- Pre-K—Kindergarten = **Fun With Games** (anything game related)
- 1st—3rd Grade = **Mad About Chocolate** (yummy chocolate treats)
- 4th—5th Grade = **Cup of Joe!** (Coffee related items including k-cups)
- 4th—5th Grade = **Tea for Two** (tea and cookie treats)
- Middle School = **Beauty & Gems** (make up & jewelry items)
- High School = **Spa Escape** (relaxation & pampering items)
- Adult Class = **Wishing Tree** (gift card donations)

All new donations welcome! We will shop for you with your cash donation.
Please contact Krista Howe if you wish to donate an additional basket



LCR ADVENT NIGHT Annual Intergenerational Event 11/24/11

Please contact Donna Setzer if you are interested in hosting an event table

Thank you Geraldine &
the loving Sunday
School Teachers!

Our Turtle has a name!
Welcome to LCR
SAMUEL!

Please contact Geraldine if you
wish to assist with Sunday
School in any way..snacks..craft
donations..teaching...



**No School
11/20 & 11/27**



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering
citizens with the saints
Ephesians 2:14-20

Bake Sale!

**11/6
After all
Services**

CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

November Newsletter

LCR Family,

Special Thanks to those members who stepped up and led our Discernment Bible Studies. What a great series on Discernment that was. Hope you all were able to take part in at least some of them and gained from the valuable lessons. The Transition Task Team would love feedback from you about this study – let me know any input.

Town Hall Meetings were held in early October, the Transition Task Team and Council with the help of Joyce Cain are working on a document to share with all the members of LCR giving you an update of information shared and received at these meetings. Watch for that coming soon.

The Timeline has been moved out to the gathering area, as we work through the transition steps updates will be posted. We are halfway through the transition and a lot of the work that has taken place to this point as been foundational, so hard to see the movement, but will be a great base for LCR to build on as we plan toward our future.

November already! As we prepare for our Thanksgiving celebration – wherever you spend the day, take the time to remember the blessings that you have had this year and all the moments and treasures that you are thankful for. For myself, I know LCR will be part of what I am thankful for – my church home, filled with special people who have touched my life. Through our offerings we are able to touch many lives by maintaining this wonderful building in which to worship, pray, gather with friends and study God's word. Outside of our walls through benevolence, and mission giving we are able to share God's love with others.

FROM TREASURER'S CORNER: As we monitor finances through 9 1/2 months, we are following a pattern of having to 'dip into' restricted funds weekly. We are missing the tithing line of our approved spending plan by about 10%. Our accrual of restricted funds usage is approximately 10k to make our basic payments. This year, our need to utilize the restricted funds came later in the year by about 4 weeks. Council is working hard to keep lights on, as well as meet our benevolence tithing commitment, but are asking for your prayerful help. If you have fallen behind on your pledge and are able, please try to catch up this month. This would be a wonderful way to share our Thanksgiving by helping all the ministries LCR supports.

Council members are always available for any questions or comments you have.

God Bless
Karen Gilbert
Council President

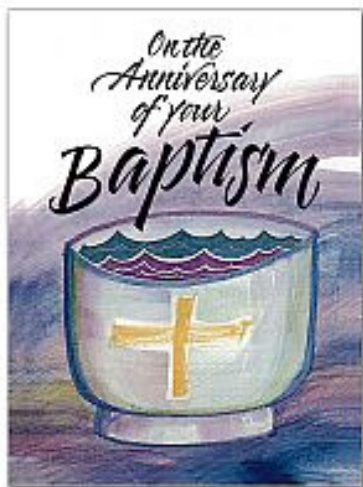


NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



1	Joan Christman	7	Anthony Michelotti	22	Connor Saffo
5	Ethan Howe	8	Lorraine Heitman	24	Joanne Stillman
6	Rachel Chalkey	9	Annemy Trebesch	25	Alexander Baldwin
6	Jan Colden	10	Carly Jensen	25	Christian Baum
6	Jennifer LaMacchia	10	Gary Musser	25	John Bavlsik
6	John McParland	11	Ricky Meinke	25	John Powell
6	Franklin Tix	12	Linda Ullom	26	Caitlyn Jackson
7	Roger Graves	13	Philip Van Kersen	26	Alana LaRose
		14	Jim Runkle	27	Joan Weber
		15	Lynn Blackwell	30	Carol Anderson
		16	Carol Bouffard	30	Kimberly Feeney
		16	Eugene Fredriksen	30	Lillian Lindahl
		18	Katelin Brede	30	Paul Trebesch
		18	Lauren Sasko		
		18	Nancy Thomas		
		19	Carolyn Pinney		
		20	Catherine Chowdhury		
		20	Amy Eichelberger		
		21	Anna Rosenbaum		
		22	Elman Peterson		

NOVEMBER BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES



1st	Edward Bartz	24th	Mary Margaret Parish
1st	Yong Ellis	26th	Ruth Williams
1st	Tim McMahon	27th	David Runkle
1st	Cortney Schmid	27th	Hannah Setzer
1st	Neil Wagner	30th	Amanda Rucker
1st	David, Jr. Williams		
4th	Brad Compton		
7th	Don Eken		
9th	Oliva Fasano		
10th	Sara Guyler		
16th	Dale Parish		
16th	Taylor Shelby		
19th	Nolan Brown		
21st	Michael Webb		
21st	Michelle Webb		
23rd	Addam Setzer		
23rd	John Potts		

PASTOR'S NOTE

Nothing Is Perfect - Except...

I have known about the movie Pay It Forward for a number of years. I know the concept behind it and have encouraged people to follow it. The idea is that when someone does something good for you, you don't try to repay them. Instead, you pay it forward by doing something good for someone else and encourage them to in turn pay it forward also. In the movie, based on a true story, a young boy took on the project of encouraging people to pay it forward to three other people, each of whom would then do something good for three other people. His plan was that doing good would multiply throughout society.

Last week while channel surfing on a Sunday night I ran across the movie. Diane and I watched it. There were two surprises for us. There was a tragic ending and the idea wasn't working as ideally as planned nor as well as I had thought it had. It made me realize that nothing is perfect in the world except one thing. I discovered that recently in a minor way in my own life. I had cataract surgery and in the process had an abrasion on my eye that took a while to heal. The removal of the cataract improved my sight, but the surgery itself wasn't perfect because of the abrasion. I used to have a lot of pain in my knees until I had partial knee replacement. For five years now I have no longer had pain in my knees. However, in the process of surgery a nerve was damaged and now I have a partially paralyzed foot which makes me prone to tripping if I am not careful. I have only done it three times in the five years and that was early on before I learned to be careful, but the potential is always there, so if I trip and fall during worship (hopefully not while holding a chalice full of wine) don't panic. If I don't get up again, then panic and call for help!

On the serious side of that, however, I have two thoughts. There is a danger that we concentrate on the imperfections in our lives and forget the much greater blessings that we have. God has so abundantly provided for us in so many ways. We can be thankful for that and should not allow ourselves to be distracted by the imperfections that are there in everyone's lives. In the process of being thankful, we can also pay it forward by doing good for other people. In the movie, in spite of the times the boy was not successful, he still continued to reach out and others were helped. The overall plan was good in spite of the imperfections.

The second thought is that nothing is perfect - except: except God's love of us. No matter who we are, no matter what we do or fail to do, God loves us perfectly. He forgives our imperfections. He strengthens us to deal with the imperfections that plague us in life. It is that perfect love of God for us that is vital in our lives. It is always there in all circumstances. We can thank God for that daily by paying forward to the people we encounter in our lives.

Thankfully,

Pastor Vetter

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

	6	13	20	27
5:00	SATURDAY			
READER	M PURDY	I GRECO	R GRECO	J SHELLENBERGER
8:00	CALLER: CAROLE TUCKIS			
GREET	C FRIEDHABER	J BARRETT	D/H FREDERICH	C/G PINNEY
USHER	K ROSE	K ROSE	K ROSE	K ROSE
USHER	B ROSE	B ROSE	B ROSE	B ROSE
ALTAR	I WAGNER	I WAGNER	I WAGNER	I WAGNER
COMMUNION	G PINNEY	S HOVE	D PEDERSEN	C FRIEDHABER
COMMUNION				
TRAYHOLDER	C PINNEY	J BARRETT	K PEDERSEN	G BASKERVILLE
TRAYHOLDER				
READER	M GILCHRIST	K PEDERSEN	M BARTZ	K GILBERT
REFRESHMENT	K GRAVES	L GRIVA	K GILBERT	P JENSEN
9:15	CALLER: BOB LECZNAR			
GREET	J BURGER	J CANDILAS	D/J CLOUSER	B CORKUM
USHER	C DATTISMAN	C DATTISMAN	C DATTISMAN	C DATTISMAN
USHER	B DATTISMAN	B DATTISMAN	B DATTISMAN	B DATTISMAN
ALTAR	L JONES	L JONES	L JONES	L JONES
COMMUNION	C SCODELLARO	D CLOUSER	L BLACKWELL	M ZIPKIN
COMMUNION	D SCODELLARO	L LINDAHL	J BURGER	L GORDER
TRAYHOLDER	K SCODELLARO	C LANG	D BLACKWELL	A BALDWIN
TRAYHOLDER	MARINA TWEED	K LANG	B BLACKWELL	M BALDWIN
READER	MARISSA TWEED	J JONES	M LECZNAR	JULIE LIBBEY
REFRESHMENT	L BLACKWELL	J BURGER	L GORDER	L CHOWHURDY
NURSERY	W KARAMAHALIS	M MARKOWICH	K PERO	D/D SETZER
10:45	CALLER: CHRIS MASON			
GREET	L EARLE	B/C SIMPSON	R HOERSCH	L STINSON
USHER	C KIRCHNER	C KIRCHNER	C KIRCHNER	C KIRCHNER
USHER	F TIX	F TIX	F TIX	F TIX
ALTAR	A TREBESCH	A TREBESCH	A TREBESCH	A TREBESCH
COMMUNION	N THOMAS	R HOERSCH	L ULLOM	D EKEN
COMMUNION	G THOMAS	F TRAVIS	B ULLOM	B BOUFFARD
TRAYHOLDER	J COLDEN	C MASON	M TIX	S DUNCAN
TRAYHOLDER	R HOERSCH	S LOMASCOLO	K LUNDQUIST	F TRAVIS
READER	L ULLOM	R LINDSTROM	S SHUCK	D DUNCAN
REFRESHMENT	C/B BOUFFARD	E GARLEY	S DUNCAN F TRAVIS	N/G THOMAS
CLEANER	T/M OSIPOV	S BAUM	S DUNCAN	S/G KUPERIS
FLOWER MINISTRY	M BARTZ	C DATTISMAN	C FRIEDHABER	L LINDHAL

SUNDAY YOUTH SCHEDULE

5-6PM CONFIRMATION CLASS

6-6:30 PASTOR'S CHAT

6:30-8PM MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

NOVEMBER 2011

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5 5 PM HOLY COMMUNION FALL BACK! DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 11/6 AT 2AM
6 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY YOUTH BAKE SALE AFTER ALL SERVICES YOUTH SCHEDULE	7 7PM CHURCH COUNCIL 7 PM CENTERING PRAYER	8 SEW N' SEWS 1PM 6:30 PM MEN'S NIGHT OUT	9 6:30 CHOIR PRACTICE	10	11	12 5 PM HOLY COMMUNION
11 FAIR TRADE COFFEE SALES YOUTH SCHEDULE	14 7 PM CENTERING PRAYER	15 MARY MARTHA CIRCLE 1:00 PM	16 10 AM BIBLE STUDY 6:30PM ESTHER CIRCLE 6:30 CHOIR PRACTICE	17	18 CRAFTY LADIES	19 5 PM HOLY COMMUNION CRAFTY LADIES
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