



## *The First Epistle* Worship, Serve, Grow May 2023



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**COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED ON MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>**



### **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (FPC) MEN'S GROUP ACTIVITY**

The annual **ADOPT A RIVER** clean-up is scheduled for **Saturday, May 13** with registration beginning at 8:30 AM and lunch provided beginning at 11 AM. Our group will be assigned a section of the Grand River Trail to clean-up by picking up trash and putting into plastic bags that will be provided. Please contact Brian Koon (517 886-9801 or [b.koon@comcast.net](mailto:b.koon@comcast.net)) if you can help with the river clean-up. Males in all age groups are welcome to participate in the FPC Men's Group.

**TLC** will meet on **Thursday, May 18th at 1:00 p.m.** This month we will be going to One North Kitchen. It is located at 5001 W. Saginaw Hwy. in Lansing. Please call Judy Hartgerink (517-484-5177) for reservations or information. TLC is a group for women in the church who enjoy fellowship and good food. We would love to have you join us.

May's **Boomers and Beyond** luncheon will be on **Wednesday, May 24 at 12:00 pm** in the parlor. The lunch is usually simple: soup, two salads, bread, and dessert but the people make it special! Please come and join us, won't you? Call Bev Phillips or Kathe Smith if you want more details.

**Lansing First Pres** is hosting the **Presbytery Meeting on Tuesday, June 13** and we need volunteers to make the day run smoothly. If you are interested and available to help or if you cannot help that day but want to bake muffins for the meeting's breakfast, please contact Alyse Collins via phone (texting is great!) at (989) 763-8229 or via email at [alyse.a.collins@gmail.com](mailto:alyse.a.collins@gmail.com). Thank you!

**Michigan Secretary of State** will have a mobile office in the church parking lot **once a month starting May 26** for any service provided at a Secretary of State office. You need to schedule an appointment with Northwest Initiative, 517-999-2894.

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## THANK YOU LINK GROUPS!

The butterflies currently displayed in our sanctuary symbolize New Life, the message of Easter.

All the colorful butterflies were created by members of the Link groups. Thank you! You have greatly enhanced our worship space and our expressions of praise for the risen Lord! Alleluia!



### ~~~~ LINK NEWS ~~~~

#### DOWNTOWN LINK

Our group enjoys meeting at a location walkable from the church. It's **The Lansing Shuffleboard, 325 Riverfront Dr.** at the site of the former farmers' market. This food court is interesting and convenient for an after-worship meeting place.

#### EASTSIDE LINK

Coffee/breakfast on **Saturday, May 6, at 9:30 a.m.** at the Grand Traverse Pie Company in the Brookfield Plaza on the corner of Grand River and Hagadorn in East Lansing. We will try to sit in the small room in the back of the restaurant. Email or call Kathe Smith if you have questions. Hope to see you there!

#### SOUTH LANSING

**On Sunday May 7th** following Adult Forum let's head over to **Lansing ShuffleBoard and Social Club, 325 Riverfront Drive.** Contact Prince Solace or Bethanne Jenks.

#### GRAND LEDGE / WEST DELTA

Our next LINK Breakfast Gathering for West Delta/Grand Ledge will be **Saturday, May 13,** at 9 a.m. at Dimitri's Restaurant on West Saginaw Hwy.

#### HOME LINK

Our next meeting will be on **Friday, May 19** at Delhi Cafe at 11:30. We're looking forward to seeing everyone!

#### NORTHEAST LANSING/DEWITT AND ALL POINTS NORTH LINK

We will meet **Saturday, May 20 at 9:30.** Stay tuned for the location.

# Pastor's Corner

When I first came to Lansing First almost ten years ago a Sabbatical was generously included in my terms of call. I would be eligible after seven years—which would have been 2020. In other words, right in the middle of the pandemic! Needless to say, the timing wasn't perfect.

This year I will be taking my Sabbatical from August through October. The Session and I are working to make sure preaching and pastoral care will be covered during that time. We've got so many people with amazing gifts in our congregation—and we are used to shared ministry here. I am very confident that you all will carry on quite well while I'm away.

What I really want to say though is, thank you all so much! I am very grateful for this opportunity! After the pandemic and all the great work we've been doing I need to step back a bit.

As part of my Sabbatical, I'll be making a trip to Geneva, Switzerland to visit the grave and church of John Calvin. I'm hoping to get in touch with my Presbyterian roots. I'm also looking forward to visiting the Ecumenical Centre of the World Council of Churches and learning more about what justice work the church is doing on a global level. Other stops might include Scotland, Wales, and Ireland, where I have friends. Depending on her work situation, Leslie might be able to join me for some or all of the trip. (Hooray!)

Mostly, however, I intend to spend some time writing and reflecting. (And spending time with Leslie!) The Rev. Jermaine Ross-Allam, the Director of the PCUSA's Center for the Repair of Historic Harms, which spearheads the denomination's efforts toward reparations, has been talking to us about how our church's story and the work of the Justice League might serve as a model for other congregations seeking to do similar type work in their own communities. I intend to spend some time in prayer and reflection and see if I might be able to write something useful.

In any case, it feels like a good time for me to step back a bit and process all that has happened in recent years. God has opened up so many possibilities for our church. I'm looking forward to a time of rest and discernment. (And spending time with Leslie! Are you detecting a pattern here?)

Again, thank you so much for this opportunity. God is doing such amazing things here! It feels important at this stage to spend time in prayer, giving thanks, and listening for God's direction. Where else might we be led? How might our church continue best to let our little light shine? How might our joy be most complete?

Stan

## MUSIC NOTES from Megan

Do not let your hearts be troubled. John 14:1

Goodness. Just like you, the Spring season has arrived way faster than I was anticipating, which is crazy, because it happens the same every year! Ha!

The final push in the Spring to be “engaged,” “excited,” “joyful...” for me, at least, is almost a forced push. As much as I love the new growth, the days of warmer sunshine, the grass and trees turning green, I also feel constantly behind. The ability to “be ok” is both liberating and hard. I want to be “ok” with where my yard is, yet I am panicking; I am “ok” with where my choirs are, yet some of the members need me to be more “intense” for them to find a way to be productive. Life is a constant struggle between my needs and my “people’s” needs.

I cannot be more grateful for the musicianship of Darin Showalter, Chrisann Lowe, Ben English, Colin Dewitt, Katie Sundeen, and Tori Tyler. Sergei and I have depended on them for the past few weeks. We are an unbelievably blessed and graced congregation.

In May, the chancel choir will be highlighting our Gospel lessons and giving us opportunities for hand-clapping praise as well as silent meditation.

We are looking for and welcoming Special Music during the months of June, July, and August. Please see Megan if you can provide some music during the summer months.

For our continued praise and glorification of God’s Holy Name this spring:

### Hymns for May to include:

#301 Let Us Build a House	#2 Come, Thou Almighty King
#545 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace	#295 Go the World!
#366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	#462 I Love to Tell the Story
#408 There’s A Sweet, Sweet Spirit	#611 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

### Choral Anthems in May to include:

- “Walk in the Light” by Andre’ Thomas
- “If Ye Love Me” by Thomas Tallis
- “Balm in Gilead” arr William Dawson
- “Abide with Me” arr John Cornish
- “Psalm 23 (Dedicated to my Mother)” by Bobby McFerrin

### Bells of First Rehearsals

Mondays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

### Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.



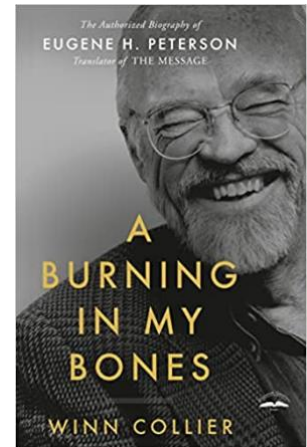


**Meeting together on Zoom.** The Zoom login link will be sent to the names on the book group email list. Let Pat Eenigenburg know if you would like to be added to the list ([eenigenburg@hotmail.com](mailto:eenigenburg@hotmail.com)).

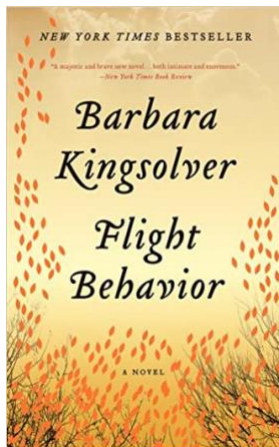
**Tuesday, May 2, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom**

***A Burning in My Bones: The Authorized Biography of Eugene H. Peterson, Translator of The Message* by Winn Collier**

Encounter the multifaceted life of one of the most influential and creative pastors of the past half century with unforgettable stories of Eugene's lifelong devotion to his craft and love of language, the influences and experiences that shaped his unquenchable faith, the inspiration for his decision to translate *The Message*, and his success and struggles as a pastor, husband, and father. For Eugene, the gifts of life were inexhaustible: the glint of fading light over the lake; a kiss from his wife, Jan; a good joke; a bowl of butter pecan ice cream. As you enter his story, you'll find yourself doing the same, noticing how the most ordinary things shimmer with a new and unexpected beauty. Discussion led by Linda Diepenhorst.



**Tuesday June 6, 7:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor  
Celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Book Group  
*Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver**



Kingsolver's riveting story concerns a young wife and mother on a failing farm in rural Tennessee who experiences something she cannot explain, and how her discovery energizes various competing factions—religious leaders, climate scientists, environmentalists, politicians—trapping her in the center of the conflict and ultimately opening her world. Kingsolver uses the narrative to take on global warming and the high costs to society of inadequate public-school education, especially in the sciences. But she is no mere propagandist. She is a storyteller first and foremost, as sensitive to human interactions and family dynamics as she is to ecological ones. Discussion led by Victoria Fitton.

**No book group in July. Next meeting August 1<sup>st</sup> in the church parlor.**

## **GREEN ENVELOPES!!!**

Every month on **Communion Sunday**, we receive a **small green envelope as an opportunity to give extra contributions**. These are also in the pews throughout the year. On the envelope we're asked to check where we want contributions to be used. Each of these is a significant outreach activity and your help is appreciated. Following are descriptions of each choice on the envelope. Undesignated contributions in the green envelopes are given to the Deacons' Collection Fund.

The Deacons' Collection Fund is a general fund used for Deacons' outreach programs throughout the year. These include a bi-monthly meal at Advent House that Deacons provide and serve for approximately 80+ needy, often homeless, people, the Palm Sunday Easter Egg hunt for the children, the (grilled) meat with condiments and buns for the all-church Tailgate, Angel Tree Christmas gifts for an especially needy (usually large) family, Pride events, supplies and snacks for clean up on Earth Day, and more.

The Holiday Basket Account is also a Deacons' fund, but it is separate and provides extra Thanksgiving or Christmas food to needy families in the community. Regular Food Pantry clients can sign up for one of these holidays. The first 100 families for each holiday will receive a Christmas ham or a Thanksgiving turkey, plus additional food for their holiday meal and a few extra treats. This is the Deacons' most expensive outreach program. With the high cost of food, we have sometimes needed to limit this to just the food for a holiday meal, or to reduce the number of families that we serve.

The Food Pantry started as a Deacons' outreach project many years ago but has grown so much that it stands alone as one of the largest outreach activities of the church. It is one of a number of food distribution sites for the Greater Lansing Food Bank. Currently the Food Pantry serves needy individuals and families without restrictions on where they live and there are no restrictions on how often participants can request help. With the high cost of food there is a great deal of need.

From Barb Amundsen, Deacons' Treasurer



# ADULT FORUM

(11:15-12:15 in Litten Hall downstairs or on zoom.)  
(Childcare is available through this time.)

## MAY 7

Come learn about our **First Pres Community Garden** – its history, present day challenges, needs, opportunities to volunteer, and how to rent a garden space – will all be discussed. Presenters: **Prince Solace, Barb Amundsen and Jackie Blankenship.**

## MAY 14



**A Mother's Perspective** is a podcast where we seek to understand how our family structure and the things we've learned from our mothers have impacted the way we interact with our community. This podcast was started by Lansing First Presbyterian Church.

**Greg Botting and his mother, Gwen Botting** have been very vocal about racial healing and reconciliation within the church. Listen to how one man's mother influenced the way he envisions the world as he lives visually impaired.

## MAY 21

**Sinclair Franklin** is general manager of **Your Solutions LLC**, whose mission is to help youth who have aged out of the foster care system. **Your Solutions Foster Care** seeks to gather community resources, find education opportunities, and encourage connections for these young people who find themselves alone in their first steps to adulthood.

## MAY 28

**Lesson 5 of The Church and Social Issues** – Led by **Elder Ceci Anderson**

**ON HOPE: PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S WORK OF TRANSFORMING THE WORLD**

"When fear, despair, and timidity threaten to paralyze us, **hope** in God sustains and inspires us. God's coming kingdom, a household of grace, reveals itself in glimpses even now. Our trust, after all, is in God, the beginning and the end, who has the ultimate and final word."

To conclude this series, we will examine a **CASE STUDY** from **Lesson 6 FOOD AND FAITH**. It speaks to our commitment to the Lansing Food Bank. We will look more closely at the global system of food production, distribution, and practices of this one specific social issue. Included are four food practices that suggest faithful ways to respond as followers of Jesus.

*With these sessions, we have completed our journey of **faith seeking understanding**. Celebrate the blessings of our Reformed and Presbyterian tradition of faith. You have been challenged by fresh insights that have deepened your understandings and found a stronger commitment to the God who has loved us in Jesus Christ.*

## MISSION NOTES

Thank you letters were received from the City Rescue Mission for donation in February and One Love Global.

### **The Pentecost Offering will be received May 28**

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and address the needs of at-risk children. Forty percent of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

In 1980 the first Triennium was held and \$15 million has been raised for ministries that benefit younger members of God's family since 1998.

### FLOWER CALENDAR

Sign up to provide flowers for worship on any given Sunday for a wonderful way to enhance the worship service, and to remember/ celebrate/ honor special events and the people we love. It's easy! Just put your name on the date of your choice on the Flower Calendar located in the hallway next to the parlor door and **send / give a check to the church office for the \$50 cost**. Please put "flowers" on the memo line of your check.



### FIRST CHURCH STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Stanley Jenkins

**Parish Associate:** Rev. Charles Herrick

**Pastoral Care Assistant:** Christine DeYonke

**Church Administrator:** Betsy Calvert

**Director of Congregational Life &**

**Outreach:** Prince Solace

**Director of Christian Education &**

**Youth Ministry:** Megan Hagle

**Part-time Custodian:** Kliff Nhengu

**Director of Music:** Megan Hagle

**Organist:** Sergei Kvitko

**Bell Choir Director:** Darin Showalter

**Child Care Staff:** Lily Ferris

**Video Producers:** Bill Collins and

Andrew Mackoul



## DEACONS NOTES

**Advent House Meals:** Deacons will meet on Sun., May 28 to prepare and serve a delicious hot meal to those in need. Volunteers are always welcome to participate – Contact Alyse Collins. <mailto:alyse.a.collins@gmail.com>

**Our “Bingo!” outreach ministry** with the residents of S. Washington St. Retirement Apartments **meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.** Bingo prizes such as \$25 grocery store gift cards from Meijer/Kroger; personal care items like soap, lotions, toothpaste and toilet paper; cleaning supplies like laundry soap. Granola bars, and other useful items are always welcome. Contact Lynda Snyder at [lksnyder3@comcast.net](mailto:lksnyder3@comcast.net).

Summer Camp Registration at **Camp Greenwood is in full swing** for all summer sessions! **To register**, visit the [Camp Greenwood website](#). On the menu across the top of the home page, click the button labeled “UltraCamp.” Returning campers can also click on the link below.

<https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=684&campcode=cgm&lang=en-US>  
Scholarships are available! Contact Krista Botting for more info [kbotting96@gmail.com](mailto:kbotting96@gmail.com)

**Food Pantry:** The Food Pantry is always in need of basic food items and monetary donations. Contact Jim Donaldson for more details: [jimdonaldsn01@comcast.net](mailto:jimdonaldsn01@comcast.net) Basic items the pantry can use include:

- Jelly (grape or strawberry)
- Any type of cereal
- Canned peaches and mixed fruit
- Saltine crackers
- Canned green beans and peas
- Tomato, cream of mushroom, chicken noodle soup

**Member Care:** Deacons visit and contact our shut ins regularly to represent our entire church, showing the constant love of our Christian family of faith. If you know someone who would appreciate these visits, contact Bessie Roper at [bessieroper@gmail.com](mailto:bessieroper@gmail.com).

**You can help your Deacons serve with a monthly gift to the Deacons Fund!** If a donation category isn’t specified on the envelope or your check, donations will go into the **Deacons General Fund**, which supports Member Care, Outreach, Bingo, Angel Team, Advent House meals and more. Donations marked for **“Food Pantry”** directly support this food ministry. Donations marked for **“Holiday Baskets”** help fund the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets/meals.

Deacons invite everyone to join us for a second garden and cleanup workday in May. TBD. For more information contact Barb Amundsen at [amundsen@msu.edu](mailto:amundsen@msu.edu)

## SESSION DIGEST

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Lansing met at the church for its regular meeting Wednesday, 19 April 2023.

The focus topic for the April meeting was the projected budget deficit. The Finance Committee reported that finances as of the end of March are good, but a budget deficit in excess of \$78,000 is still projected before the end of the year. The consensus was that a fundraising campaign will be needed to address the deficit, but that campaign should not begin until later in the year when there is a clearer understanding of the actual need. Session and Staff will continue to communicate the budget situation to the congregation meanwhile, including a Minute for Mission in May.

The ***Restorative Justice Campaign*** launched Easter Sunday has already been a tremendous success. Over \$70,000 has been pledged so far, with over \$17,000 already received toward the \$100,000 our church has pledged to the Justice League.

Session ensured that membership of each standing committee of the church includes at least one active member of Session. A motion was passed to make this a formal policy.

Session also adopted a motion by the Worship Committee to collect *Reparations Royalties* whenever our service music includes a hymn or song considered to be of African American origin, but the composer is unknown or uncredited, and for which legal royalties would not normally be due. The church intends to take voluntary collections specifically designated for *Reparations Royalties* and use the money collected to build a music scholarship fund for young persons of color, or for another appropriate restorative justice purpose as funds accumulate.

The May meeting of Session is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday (May 24) rather than the usual third Wednesday. And the church is preparing to host the stated meeting of the Presbytery of Lake Michigan on Tuesday, June 13.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Collins, Clerk of Session



# FOLLOWING CHRIST

## ***Elementary Age Children!***

We have fellowship, snacks, Bible story, discussion, craft, and story time in our Elementary School Classroom after worship service with Ms. Megan. We use the *Growing in God's Love Story Bible* and typically follow the Gospel lesson each Sunday.

## ***Youth (Middle and Senior High)!***

Our Middle and Senior High Faith Formation has fellowship with Holt Presbyterian Church and now, Okemos Presbyterian! We are so glad that our young people have ways to share their faith with others in our community.

## **FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE (roughly)**

11:25 – 11:45 a.m. – Elementary Children in Faith Formation Classroom

Childcare is available each Sunday until 1:00 p.m. – please speak with Lily in the childcare room beforehand.

**Youth Group** with Holt Presbyterian continues every Sunday. Many thanks to Pam Blair and Krista Botting for their continued connection with our youth (we couldn't do this without you)!



## **COLLECTION BOX**

Each of the chocolate bars in this collection is special because it was handcrafted by the same farmers who grew and harvested the cacao beans. Unique characteristics abound as each bar tells its origin story through flavor. The box contains nine 20g dark chocolate bars from three of the following origins: Trinidad and Tobago 70% cacao, Ghana 70% cacao, Grenada 75% cacao, or Nigeria 67% cacao spiced with coffee and cardamom. Origin mix will vary and is selected randomly. \$22.00 for this gourmet chocolate! Makes a great gift!

## **The Cross Atlantic Chocolate Collective**

The Cross Atlantic Chocolate Collective aims to decolonize the chocolate market by enabling members to participate at all stages of chocolate production—from owning and managing the farm to harvesting and processing the beans to refining, tempering, molding and selling their own chocolate. The collective is the only Black-led organization uniting African and Caribbean cocoa-growing and chocolate-making communities behind a single brand. By sharing their knowledge, insight, talents, support, and encouragement, they are committed to their dream of turning cacao farmers into chocolate makers. Equal Exchange is proud to partner with Cross Atlantic to offer you these unique and delicious chocolates and help them see their dream come true!

### **INGREDIENTS**

**Trinidad and Tobago:** Cocoa Nibs, Brown Sugar, Cocoa Butter.

**Ghana:** Cocoa Nibs, Brown Sugar, Vanilla, Cocoa Butter.

**Grenada:** Cocoa Nibs, Brown Sugar, Cocoa Butter.

**Nigeria:** Cocoa Nibs, Brown Sugar, Vanilla, Cocoa Butter, Roasted Coffee Beans, Cardamom.

May contain tree nuts, dairy, and peanuts.

**FAIR TRADE COFFEE, CHOCOLATE AND TEA SOLD AFTER WORSHIP IN LITTEN HALL.**



**The June newsletter deadline is May 15.**

# CHURCH FAMILY

## CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION:

In care facilities:

**Jean Dietrich** (Story Point of Grand Ledge)

**Dianne Rector** (Rosewood Manor in DeWitt)



**A Message from Tracy Weldon:** Thank you for all the wonderful years here at First Pres. The outpouring of love on Sunday April 2nd was very moving, and the Love Gift was amazing. I have had the best send off to retirement that anyone could ask for! You will be in my heart forever. Love, Tracy

**Jean Dietrich would like to thank the Bell Choir** for the performance put on at Independence Village. Folks thoroughly enjoyed the concert.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/01	Geoff Blair	5/17	Victoria Fitton
5/01	Nan Carter	5/18	George Snyder
5/02	Daniel Kangas	5/18	Carol Wallace
5/05	Wendi Middleton	5/18	Scott Ross
5/07	Matthew Anderson	5/21	Asa Harvey
5/08	Rachelle Mackoul	5/21	Evelyn Che
5/09	Avery Bockes	5/22	Ethan Hodgman
5/10	Alyssa Estes	5/22	Rebecca Anderson
5/10	Charles Taylor	5/23	Laura Wilkinson
5/12	Jan O'Connor	5/24	Donald Hines
5/12	Todd Hendy	5/28	Griffin Keller
5/12	Jim LeTourneau	5/28	Chrisann Lowe
5/13	Ryan Fawaz	5/28	Bob Helmic
5/13	Michael Pettit	5/29	Ginny Ndibongo
5/16	Alex Mackoul	5/31	Joan Heil

# MAY CHURCH CALENDAR

<p><b>Monday, May 1</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            6:30 p.m. Bells of First – Choir Rm</p> <p><b>Tuesday, May 2</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            4:00 p.m. Adult Forum Comm Mtg            5:00-9:00 p.m. GIL Classes            6:00 p.m. ALP - Library            6:30-9:00 p.m. Glen Erin Pipe – Litten            7:00 p.m. Capital City Chordsmen            7:00 p.m. Book Group - Zoom</p> <p><b>Wednesday, May 3</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            4:30-6:30 p.m. Lansing Children’s Choir            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            6:00 p.m. Mid MI Photo Club Mtg            6:30 p.m. Mission Committee Mtg</p> <p><b>Thursday, May 4</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            10:30 a.m. Library Comm - Library            5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. NWI Food Distribution            7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal            7:00 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries                              Bible Study – Library</p> <p><b>Friday, May 5</b>            10:00 a.m. Victory in Jesus Mtg            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            6:00 p.m. VJM Workshop - Chapel</p> <p><b>Saturday, May 6</b>            VJM Workshop - Chapel</p> <p><b>Sunday, May 7</b>            10:00 a.m. Morning Worship            11:15 a.m. Adult Forum            12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries            2:00-4:00 p.m. VJM Workshop - Chapel</p> <p><b>Monday, May 8</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting            10:00 a.m. NWI Farmers Market            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            6:30 p.m. Bells of First – Choir Rm</p> <p><b>Tuesday, May 9</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            5:00-9:00 p.m. GIL Classes            5:30 p.m. Worship Committee            6:00 p.m. Mid MI Photo Club Mtg            6:30-9:00 p.m. Glen Erin Pipe – Litten            7:00 p.m. Capital City Chordsmen</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 10</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            10:30 a.m. Lectionary Bible Study            2:30 p.m. B&amp;G Committee Mtg            4:30-6:30 p.m. Lansing Children’s Choir?            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            7:00 p.m. Session Meeting</p> <p><b>Thursday, May 11</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. NWI Food Distribution            6:00-8:00 p.m. GIL Classes            7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal            7:00 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries                              Bible Study – Library</p> <p><b>Friday, May 12</b>            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room</p> <p><b>Sunday, May 14</b>            10:00 a.m. Morning Worship            11:15 a.m. Adult Forum            11:30 a.m. Finance Committee            12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries</p> <p><b>Monday, May 15</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting            6:30 p.m. Bells of First – Choir Rm</p> <p><b>Tuesday, May 16</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            5:00-9:00 p.m. GIL Classes            6:00 p.m. Mid MI Photo Officers            6:30-9:00 p.m. Glen Erin Pipe – Litten            7:00 p.m. Capital City Chordsmen</p> <p><b>Wednesday, May 17</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. NWI Food Distribution            10:30 a.m. Lectionary Bible Study            4:30-6:30 p.m. Lansing Children’s Choir            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room            7:00 p.m. Session Meeting</p> <p><b>Thursday, May 18</b>            9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. GIL Classes            5:30-7:30 p.m. NWI Cooking Demo            6:00-8:00 p.m. GIL Classes            6:00-8:00 p.m. GL Quilt Guild – Litten            7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal            7:00 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries                              Bible Study – Library</p> <p><b>Friday, May 19</b>            5:30-6:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room</p>
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<p><b>Saturday, May 20</b> 3:00 p.m.</p>	Lansing Children's Choir Concert	<p><b>Friday, May 26</b> 5:30-6:30 p.m.</p>	Yoga – Yoga Room
<p><b>Sunday, May 21</b> 10:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.</p>	Morning Worship Victory in Jesus Ministries Lansing Symphony Concert	<p><b>Saturday, May 27</b> 9:00 a.m.</p>	Larissa Clark Recitals
<p><b>Monday, May 22</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:30-6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes Staff Meeting NWI Farmers Market Yoga – Yoga Room Bells of First – Choir Rm	<p><b>Sunday, May 28</b> 10:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</p>	Morning Worship Victory in Jesus Ministries Victory in Jesus Ministries Bible Study – Library
<p><b>Tuesday, May 23</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 5:00-9:00 p.m. 6:30-9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes GIL Classes Glen Erin Pipe Band Capital City Chordsmen	<p><b>Monday, May 29</b></p>	<b>Memorial Day Office Closed</b>
<p><b>Wednesday, May 24</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:30-6:30 p.m. 5:30-6:30 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes Lectionary Bible Study Lansing Children's Choir? Yoga – Yoga Room	<p><b>Tuesday, May 30</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 5:00-9:00 p.m. 6:30-9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes GIL Classes Glen Erin Pipe Band Capital City Chordsmen
<p><b>Thursday, May 25</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes NWI Food Distribution Bridge in the Parlor Chancel Choir Rehearsal Victory in Jesus Ministries Bible Study – Library	<p><b>Wednesday, May 31</b> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:30-6:30 p.m. 5:30-6:30 p.m.</p>	GIL Classes Lectionary Bible Study Lansing Children's Choir? Yoga – Yoga Room