



Magnolia Presbyterian Church The UpLook

You're Invited! The Session of Magnolia Presbyterian Church cordially invites you to the Groundbreaking Ceremony of our new Sanctuary. **Sunday, June 5th At 11:30 AM**

Refreshments will be served following the ceremony.



A Pastor's Pondering

I must admit, I am more excited about this Summer than I have been in a while. My increase in excitement might be due to the fact that the last two summers occurred in the shadow of COVID. And even though COVID remains a real threat, it seems that normalcy, or at least a new normal, has arrived.

This Summer, in addition to attending Summer Church Camp, along with youth from our congregation and presbytery, our family will take our annual trip to visit my family in Hawaii. This Summer will also include Scout camps and a Karate tournament in Florida for my boys. It is stacking up like a pre-COVID summer.



A pastor friend would often refer to his vacation time as "re-creation." This pun, substituting re-creation for recreation, I have discovered, has real wisdom to it. He was communicating that vacation wasn't simply recreational fun, but was a redemptive and meaningful way of being created anew.

I very much appreciate this understanding and am looking forward to re-creating this summer.



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Book Study!

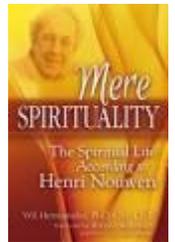
You've heard of Henri Nouwen. You wonder about what spirituality really is.

Join a 4-week Community Zoom group to find out about both.

When? Sundays at 1 PM, every other week beginning June 12th
Mark your calendar for

**June 12, July 26,
July 10 and July 24.**

We will be reading and discussing "Mere Spirituality: The Spiritual Life According to Henri Nouwen" by Wil Hernandez PhD, Obl. OSB. This book is available on Kindle and from online retailers.



Pastor Claire will be leading this group - what an opportunity to learn about the spiritual life.

VBS IS BACK!

Page 5 has all the details.

PASTOR'S PONDERING, CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

I hope the same for you. But did you know that re-creating doesn't have to wait until summer. It doesn't even require traveling or taking

time off from work. Re-creation can occur in simple practices: when we spend time with our family, when we gaze up at the stars (or that fantastic blood moon last month), when we pause each day to give thanks to God for another day, and when we read God's word.

Jesus didn't take vacations, at least not that I can find in my Bible, but he did find time to rest and to be alone with God. Sometimes he got up early to pray. Other times he traveled separately from his disciples. He also would sail across bodies of water, which afforded him needed down time.

As we take some time for re-creation this summer, may we also develop new habits to seek renewal with God that we can practice all year round. Maybe a walk in the morning, a round of golf at a local course, or visiting with friends, in-person.

May you also experience re-creation as we gather for worship weekly.

Your recreating and re-creating Co-Pastor,
Paul

"Look! I am making all things new." -Revelation 21:5

Deacons Corner

Deacons are involved with our church members to support, to pray for, and pray with. Sometimes they're the "workhorses" of the church or the community. But everywhere, and always, they share faith and kindness.

"Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold if it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith.

"Dwight D. Eisenhower

"The simplest acts of kindness are by far more powerful than a thousand heads bowed in prayer. -- Mahatma Gandhi

If you need a boost of faith or kindness, call your deacon. **Judy O'Bier, Deacon**

TWO-CAN SUNDAY REPORT

In May, we collected 249 food items. There is a great need for food - especially protein sources and breakfast items. Start shopping now. Our next collection date is June 12 at 10 am worship (or come to the office).

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Dear Church Family,

The Christian Education Committee is seeking volunteers to teach Sunday School. It can be for one week at a time or more.

WHO: individuals / couples or friends / youth under the age of 18. Contact Christian Education Committee Chair, Zach Gipson, at zachwgipson@gmail.com or the church office.

Thank you all for your prayerful consideration.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School for children in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade is offered in-person & Via Zoom during our 10am worship service. In-person will meet in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to connect on zoom, please use the link below.

Meeting ID: 259885602 Password: 7200

YOUTH GROUP is taking some time off, but if you have questions or want to keep connected, contact Eric Brandenberger at ebsouthernca@gmail.com.

ACCESS WORSHIP ONLINE

You can participate in worship by going to magpres.com/watch or by visiting our Facebook page (facebook.com/magpres).

Services are archived for you to watch later (or again!)

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



For the next few months, I will be highlighting Session Committees; including membership of, roles and responsibilities, and overall projects in the works...it is my hope you will learn something new and be inspired to take part in one (or more) of them!!

This month, Buildings and Grounds (BAG).

Who's Who on BAG? Chaired by Elder Ann Laudermilk, with Elder John Reinhardt, Tammy Duncan, Tim Lewis, and Carlos Castro also on board.

Roles and Responsibilities (as stated in the Standing Rules of Session):

1. Careful management of, and ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the church's facilities
2. Provide human resources to open, manage, and close the facilities for church and community functions and events so that the overall mission of the church will be met
3. Review insurance, building maintenance contracts, landscape and equipment contracts (including obtaining property and liability insurance to protect our facilities, programs, staff, and elected and appointed officers (G-3.0113))
4. Administer facility use requests (in coordination with the office)
5. Coordinate and communicate with other individuals, groups, or committees of the church, as needed, to accomplish its work
6. Consult with Session regarding major renovations, building projects, property sales, and purchases and work with other committees to develop plans for future facility needs
7. Maintain an inventory of all church furniture and equipment and maintain a preferred vendor list for repairs and maintenance
8. Develop an annual committee budget, in coordination with the Stewardship and Finance Committee, and manage committee budget on a monthly basis
9. Oversee other funds related to its work, in conjunction with the Stewardship and Finance committee
10. Act as liaison with governmental agencies, rental, and lease groups

In other words, anything and everything having to do with the Buildings and Grounds on the campus which is MagPres, this committee takes care of it all!!

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men." Colossians 3:23

Melanie Nelson
Clerk of Session

Session Meetings and Minutes:

Session meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday* of every month at 7 pm via Zoom. These meetings are open, so if you would like to attend and listen to the conversation, you are most welcome. Copies of all session minutes are available in the office, or by request.

*Adjustments made for holidays.

ICYMI (In Case You Missed it)

Celebration

We surprised Pastor Paul on the 5-year anniversary of his Ordination, May 1. "Well done, good and faithful servant."



Crossways Graduates! 60 weeks of intensive Bible study and they're still smiling. And the leaders (Pastor Claire and Pastor Paul) got presents!



REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Every Thursday at 7 pm, make a joyful noise! Interested in joining the choir? Talk to John Wright – music@magpres.com

WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

A relaxing time to delve into Scripture, have prayer, and fellowship. On summer break; returning in the fall.

TROOP 16 meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm. Our Charter Organization Rep is Tim Lewis (webelewis@gmail.com).



STANDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

On each 2nd Sunday, we bring 2 Cans or Boxes of food for TWO-CAN Sunday.

You may purchase Stater Bros gift cards in the church office--

Monday - Thursday, 8:30am - 3:00pm. Buy in \$25, \$50, and \$100 cards and the church receives 5%!

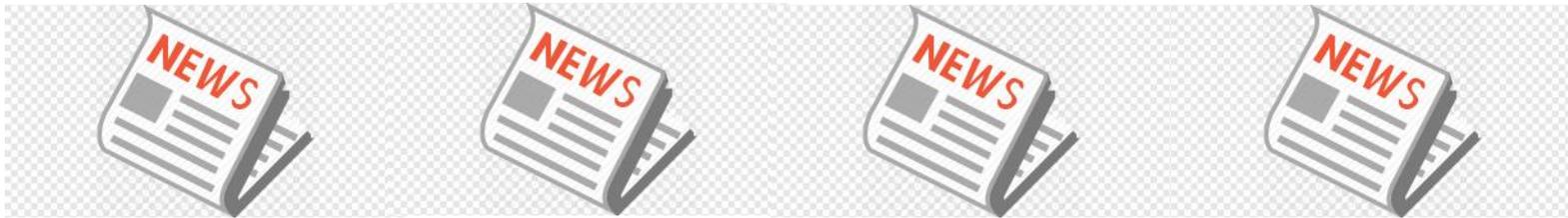
Directories are available in the church office, or you can have one mailed to you.

Always - if your address, phone, or email changes, notify church@magpres.com

The first Sunday of every month, we collect the DEACONS DOOR OFFERING. This is a dedicated offering to help friends and family of MagPres members experiencing hardship. Your gift, large or small is a gift of kindness.

Communion is served the first Sunday of every month.

Our Daily Bread quarterly booklets are available in the Worship Center foyer and in the church office. Pick one up for yourself - and for a friend or stranger.



COFFEE (and snacks) TIME is making a comeback. Be sure to stay after church, July 17 and August 21 (the third Sundays during the summer) with regular refreshments starting in September. THANKS to the Fellowship/Outreach/ Membership Team!

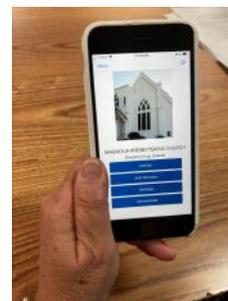
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View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app today. To view the directory online, go to **members.InstantChurchDirectory.com** and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

Need help or have questions? Please contact Pastor Paul (paul@magpres.com)



VBS RETURNS! Yay! Yay!

We are joining with Calvary Presbyterian this year. All activities will be on their campus



1. Are you the parent of a young child or know a young child who would love to *be part of this fun and enriching experience?*

2. - We are also looking for people who will **volunteer time, talent, or treasure toward this event.** Please contact Danielle Good, Lisa MacDougall, or Pastor Claire to find out how your skills can match up with VBS needs.



SAVE THE DATES:

July 19-21 (5:15 - 8:15 pm.)

Theme: "Food Truck Party"
(God meets all our needs.)

HOW TO GIVE

Please take advantage of these Giving Opportunities

◇ONLINE: Visit our website at www.magpres.com/give

◇MOBILE via text "magpres" to 77977

◇MOBILE via app -- Download our church app through the Apple App Store or Google Play. Search for "Magnolia Presbyterian Church"

◇U.S. MAIL

Send a check via US Mail to our mailing address:

7200 Magnolia Avenue | Riverside CA 92504

Congratulations to the Graduates!

Ben Lee, son of Marshall & Mary Lee, graduated from USC with a Master of Science in Business Analytics.



Rebecca Elizabeth Doshier graduated from California Baptist University on May 2, 2022 with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, Magna Cum Laude. She is planning on pursuing a career in Mathematics. We are so proud of what she has accomplished and love her very much!! Mike and Janet Doshier

Scout Corner, June 2022

It is June and we prepare for the summer. We look forward to monthly outings -- camping or on the trail. Summer camp at Camp Big Horn, Greater Los Angeles Council (near Lake Arrowhead) is our big project. The scouts have decided which major Merit Badges they wish to accomplish at camp and are working on what needs to be done early, before camp. Also, we are aware that adult leadership will be changing at the end of the year and are working on new leaders to come on board, facilitating a smooth transition. That opportunity is open to those who enjoy the great outdoors and mentor young boys to become young men. We meet Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Fireside room.
Tim Lewis



Please take the time to read the insert from our Endowment Committee, highlighting 4 endowment funds and those faithful congregants who started them.

It's a fascinating look at people with a vision who gave a gift that still lives on.

Featured are Pauline Love; Charles and Irene Coggins; Helen Lanman; Helen Wallace; and Homer and Olive Watson.



Stewardship



REPORT

Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of 4/30/2022

Balance	Jan. 1, 2022	\$0.00
2022 Income		\$123,063.49
2022 Expense		<u>\$136,934.98</u>
Balance April 30, 2022		(\$13,934.49)



Calling All MagPres Youth

2022 Summer Camp Is Coming

After May 30: \$400

Jr. Camp—July 3-9
for students entering 4th-6th grades

Jr. High Camp—July 10-16
for students entering 7th-8th grades

LEAD—for High School students
Session 1: July 3-9
Session 2: July 10-16



Please have all Registration forms in by May 30!

Price includes all meals and activities (singing, crafts, skits, archery, low ropes and high ropes challenge courses, climbing wall).

Full scholarships are available for students going into or out of 4th grade. Other partial scholarships are available.

Contact Pastor Claire (Claire@magpres.com)

www.bigbearlakechristianconferencecenter.com/summer-camp

BIRTHDAYS

Sandy Cooper	June 1
Cornelia Phifer	June 3
Emile Spring-Pearson	June 4
Parker Cohen	June 5
Jeanne Hood	June 6
Giovanny Perez	June 8
Monica Perez	June 12
Delores Tobin	June 13
Phil Smith	June 14
Lee Lewis	June 16
Jena Bowman	June 17
Dan Brooks	June 20
Sally Smith	June 20
Hannah Dickenson	June 25
Destiny Nicholson	June 26
Saw Shein	June 27
Beth Zarecki	June 29



ANNIVERSARIES

Josselyn, Dave and Mary	June 12
Nettles, Chris and Sherry	June 15
Wright, John and Cynthia	June 17
Nelson, Brian and Melanie	June 22
Duncan, Tammy and Chris	June 23
Robinson, Jaeson and Allie	June 25
Benninger, Bret and Debbie	June 29
Cohen, Aaron and Deanna	June 29
Safford, Tom and Kathy	June 29

...making fully formed followers of Jesus Christ

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

7200 Magnolia Avenue
Riverside, CA 92504-3829
Phone: 951-684-7200
Email: church@magpres.com
Website: www.magpres.com
Church Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 8:30 am—3 pm
Closed Friday

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Magnolia Presbyterian Church

Staff

The Rev. Claire Schlegel
Co-Pastor

The Rev. Paul Knopf
Co-Pastor

Diana Lewis
Interim Admin. Asst.

James Walters
Music Director/Organist

Saw Shein
Contemporary Music Leader

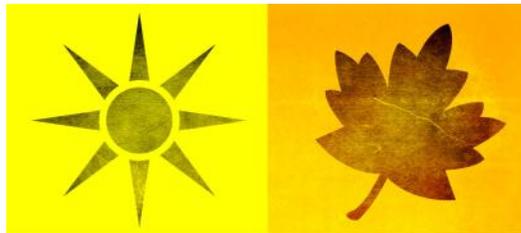
John Wright, Choral Director

Cynthia Wright, Pianist

Allison Robinson, Nursery Attendant

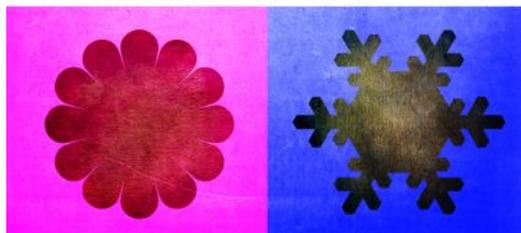
Jeff Ludwig, Treasurer

[vacant] Youth Leader



**There is a time
for everything,
and a season for
every activity
under heaven.**

Ecclesiastes 3:1, NIV



Combined Endowment Funds – Spotlight on Those Who Made Them Possible

In last month's Uplook, we listed four endowment funds that have recently been created by combining funds. This month, and for the next three issues, we will spotlight those who originally set up the funds that made this possible. Their foresight and generosity continue to bless our church.

This month, our focus is on the endowment funds that make up the "Magnolia Presbyterian Church Where Most Needed" category. The following information is printed below as it was originally submitted by the donor(s) from our Endowment Registry Notebook, which is kept in the church office, and maintained and updated by the Endowment Committee for all of our funds.

Dr. Charles and Irene Coggins

Charles (Charlie) and Irene Coggins were born and raised in the Tar Heel State of North Carolina. Charlie grew up in the textile community of Cherryville and Irene in the town of Clayton, in the tobacco region of the state. Charlie was the eldest of six children. He developed an early interest in the things that grow in the ground. After high school he enrolled at North Carolina State University in Raleigh and proceeded to earn the BS degree in Agronomy and sequentially the MS degree in the same subject. While working on the Masters Degree, Charlie met Irene, at that time working at Nationwide Insurance Company in the city of Raleigh. They married, and before the degree was conferred their first son arrived. The desire to further his study under a particular professor drew Charlie and Irene to California and the University of California, Davis. There Charlie earned his PhD in Plant Physiology, aided by a well deserved National Science Pre-Doctoral Fellowship. After receiving his doctorate, Charlie was hired by the University of California, Riverside. Except for a brief ten-month sojourn with the USDA in Washington D.C., Charlie has spent his entire career in Riverside at the University. He retired from the institution in 1994, but has over the years returned for various reasons, on a part-time basis. At UCR Charlie achieved national recognition and acclaim for



his many contributions to the world of citrus. Among the many awards he received was the Albert G. Salter Memorial Award presented in 2003 by the California Citrus Quality Council, in which was stated: "His research on plant growth regulators has been described as the single most economically beneficial research result of the last century." Since joining Magnolia Presbyterian Church, Charlie and Irene have been active in a wide variety of ways. Irene has served on various committees and Charlie, an ordained Elder and Deacon, has filled the role of Clerk of Session. The couple enjoy reading, bridge, and travel. Charlie has been Chairman of the Board of California Citrus Quality Council and a member of the Board of the California State Citrus Park in Riverside. The couple have two sons.

Helen Lanman

Helen Lanman's Endowment Fund was set up in 1999. Helen resided at the Community Convalescent Hospital on Jurupa Avenue in Riverside. She passed away on October 30, 1998. Her interment was at Olivewood Cemetery in Riverside.

(NOTE: We are seeking additional information about Helen Lanman. Please let us know if you have any details about her life or photos that could be added to her biography.)

Pauline Florenz Weber Love (on left in photo)

Mrs. Love came to Riverside from Titusville, Pennsylvania, as one of the Weber sisters. Pauline's support for Magnolia Church included serving as an elder, teaching the Lotta Weber Bible Class after her sister's death, participating in the Women's Association, serving as Treasurer, and encouraging



pastors and church leaders through her positive, strong faith. She married late in life and had no other family in California when she was widowed in the early 1950s. Former Pastor Leonard Osbrink reminisced about her encouraging girls to be "proper young ladies." He noted that she worked quietly behind the scenes and

“always spoke up for the pastor.” Another friend remembered her as a “slender, erect, proper lady who was always interested in Magnolia church.” Pauline was a strong advocate for the church’s tithing program and the church school. She had an up-beat attitude that lasted even when she was confined to her home. When she broke her ankle at 88 years of age, the doctor said she was healing like a sixteen year old.

Helen Wallace



Helen joined Magnolia Presbyterian Church as member #1865 on February 24, 1963. Her parents were also members of the church. She lived behind the church on Potomac and enjoyed walking to worship services on Sunday mornings. Some members might also remember her

driving a 1960 green and white Rambler from time to time. Helen was founder of the church's Telecare outreach program that lasted from 1972 to 1999. In addition to her devotion to church work, Helen was also very devoted to other causes as well. On numerous occasions, she went door to door collecting money for the American Heart Association. The City of Riverside honored Helen in 1984 for her Volunteerism. Helen Wallace died on December 17, 1997, at the age of 98, and was the oldest member of the church at that time. She had been a member of Magnolia for 34 years and had been dearly loved and respected by everyone in the congregation.

Homer and Olive Watson

Homer and Olive Watson’s journey to Riverside started when as teenagers they met in the Hemet Presbyterian Church – also the home church of David Dillworth, who later served as a pastor at Magnolia Presbyterian in the early 1950’s. In fact, Olive’s widowed mother rented a home from David’s father and helped pick the apricots and walnuts on his farm. Olive, as a teenager, helped David with Vacation Bible School. Homer, a native of Chester, Nebraska, arrived in Hemet, California, from Sioux City, Iowa, in 1934, at age 16 – and later was in charge of Christian Endeavor, a church youth group. It was in this group that Homer pursued a friendship with Olive. Olive was born in Fannin County, Texas, and as a child learned about Jesus through a neighborhood children’s group taught by her aunt. They walked to church together. After her father died, her mother and

family arrived in Holtville, California, near Yuma, in 1936, lived also in El Centro, then moved to Hemet when Olive was a teenager. Homer and Olive were married on July 27, 1941. They started their family after Homer was drafted into the US Army in 1943. In the meantime his parents moved from Hemet to Riverside; and when Homer was discharged from the Army, he and Olive followed his parents there. Homer supported his family working for the City of Riverside for 12 ½ years with machinery, carpentry, and plumbing. One day on the job, he had to be rescued from being buried underground, had an ear cut off, plus a broken hand, and was 3 months and 10 days in recovery. He transferred to the Riverside County Road Department and worked for another 22 years. During this time, Olive was a full-time mother and a lovely homemaker. Homer and Olive were blessed with five children: Larry, Sharon, Mike, Janet and Jerry. They attended the Palm Baptist Church until 1973, when they decided to become a part of the Magnolia Presbyterian Church. This was soon after Robert Byrd had become pastor and the completion of a new sanctuary. Both Homer and Olive became active



members of Mariners, a fellowship group for couples. Homer served two terms as an Elder on Session where he found his calling in the Administrative Committee (now called the Outreach and Operations Committee). Solutions to many needs were solved as the Committee learned to “just call Homer”. He spent many days taking care of God’s House and its surroundings. Olive was active in the Women’s Association, a group of 40 – 50 women who met for potluck lunch, Bible study, and gave to missions through the Least Coin Offering. She served as Vice President and then led them as President for four years. Olive also ministered for three years as a Deacon. A few years after his death on December 1, 2001, Olive and her family wanted to honor Homer with something that would last. They chose to establish this endowment to be used where most needed in the church. Olive concluded, “Dad would have been happy with the ongoing help.”

June 2022

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July 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
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Pentecost Offering for Children at Risk, Youth, and Young Adults	8:00am Phil and Sally Smith	Shawn and Robin Smith, Sydney	Cynthia Spring-Pearson; Adrineh, Emile	Kysten and Lance Stiffler, Abygail, Brielle	Kylee Stiffler	Taylor Stiffler
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Graduates from school and the School of Life	Jon Swearingen	Cheryln and Thomas Thornton	Chuck and Delores Tobin	Chris Tolleson	Alma Vierich	James and Susan Walters
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Fathers and Those Who Lead Us	Alene Ward	Ray and Loretta Ward	Margie Watson	John Wayne	Linda Welman	Bev and King Williams
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Church Construction	Kit and Dee Wilson	John and Cynthia Wright	Brenda Wynsma	Lucas Wynsma		

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>Office Closed</p> <p>Magnolia Presbyterian Church MASTER CALENDAR JUNE 2022 All times, dates, and locations are subject to change.</p>	<p>2pm - Youth Swim 7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>6pm - CE Cmte. 6:30pm - FOM Cmte. 7pm - BaG Cmte. 7pm - Mission Cmte.</p>	<p>7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>Office Closed</p>	<p>Office Closed</p>	<p>9:30am - EEEAC</p>
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<p>10am - Communion Sunday 10am - Deacon Door Offering 10am - Worship Service 10:15am - Children Sunday 11:30am - Groundbreaking</p>	<p>6pm - CE Cmte. 6:30pm - FOM Cmte. 7pm - BaG Cmte. 7pm - Mission Cmte.</p>	<p>7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>Diana Out 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p>Office Closed</p>	<p>9:30am - EEEAC 10am - Presbytery of Riverside 5pm - Path of Life GUEST CHEF</p>
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<p>10am - TWO-CAN Sunday 10am - Worship Service 10:15am - Children Sunday 1pm - Book Study/Mere</p>	<p>6pm - Worship Cmte 7pm - Stew_Fin Cmte</p>	<p>Session Materials Due UPLOOK Articles Due 7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>7pm - Troop 16</p>	<p>7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<p>Office Closed</p>	<p>9:30am - EEEAC</p>
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STAYING

CONNECTED