

Faith Matters

MAY 2023

Confirmation For All of Usby Pastor Dan Lyman

WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAYS- 9:00 A.M TRADITIONAL WORSHIP WEDNESDAYS — 6:15 P.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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As I look ahead at the May calendar, the next big event in the life of Faith is Confirmation Sunday on May 21. It is clearly a big day in the faith life of the young adults confirming their faith, but it can be a big day for all of us.

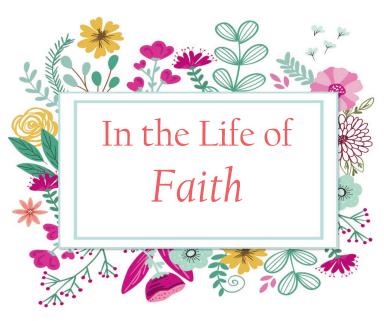
What is confirmation? When these young people were baptized, usually as infants, certain promises were made by their parents and sponsors as part of the baptismal sacrament. They promised to bring this child "to services of God's house, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, the Ten Commandments...place in their hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith." We asked them in front of the congregation and in the Lord's house, "Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?" And the parents and sponsors answered, "I do." Since that day the parents of our confirmation students HAVE done as they promised, mostly by participating as a family in the educational ministry of Faith Lutheran Church. So our confirmation students now have an effective working familiarity with the Lord's Prayer, the Creeds, and the 10 commandments. They can find their way around the scriptures and they have a good start at Email: lymania@tampabay,rr.com understanding the Christian faith from a Lutheran viewpoint. They have done well. And I am proud of this group of young adults.

> Just before baptizing the babies we turn to the parents and say: "I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?" They answer, "I do." (In the newer hymnal they say, "I renounce them.") And then we ask them questions, for which the answers are the words of the Apostles' Creed. And then we baptize the baby.

> What happens in confirmation is that the baby, now grown to young adulthood, "confirms" for themselves the profession of faith made over them. On their own behalf they renounce the devil and profess their faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Before confirmation, the primary responsibility for the faith life of that young person rested with the parents of the young person. In confirmation the young person takes primary responsibility for their own spiritual life. It is a big step toward adulthood. Two points about this.

> First, did you notice all the "I do" statements in baptism? It ought to remind you of a wedding service. A wedding ceremony is when two people and God willingly enter into a covenant relationship, affirmed by a congregation of witnesses. Confirmation is also the beginning of a covenant relationship except with one person entering the covenant with God, also affirmed by a congregation of witnesses. When a married couple attends a wedding it can be very romantic. They hear the words and, in listening to the words that had been spoken over them many years ago, they renew and affirm their own marriage covenant vows. Confirmation can be like that. We hear the young people professing their faith, and we say "Amen" to that faith and renew our faith and resolve to attend to it more. It is not just for them, it can be for us too.

> The second point is that these young people take PRIMARY responsibility for their faith life but we are still in the mix. We at Faith Lutheran are the main support system for their spiritual journey, just as we are for each other. The journey is tough, but nobody travels alone. Let us be there for each other, now and always, Amen.



May Stewardship — Personal Care Kits

1 light to medium weight bath towel (52 x 2 27) (dark colors)

2 bath sized bars of soap (4-5oz.) any brand in original wrapping

1 sturdy comb

1 metal nail clipper

1 adult size single toothbrush in original package

Please place your items in the stewardship cabinet across from the church office.

Senior Christians will meet Tuesday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m. at Riverview Restaurant in Kiel.

A Choir is being organized to sing at funerals at Faith when requested by the family. We are looking for individuals that would be interested in sharing their talents with this choir. We need about 10 to 12 individuals but realize that you may not always be available on short notice and that is OK. If you are interested in helping out with this choir please let Pastor or me know of your interest.

Thank you, Don Domrath



Confirmation Interviews will be held on Sunday May 7th during their last confirmation class.

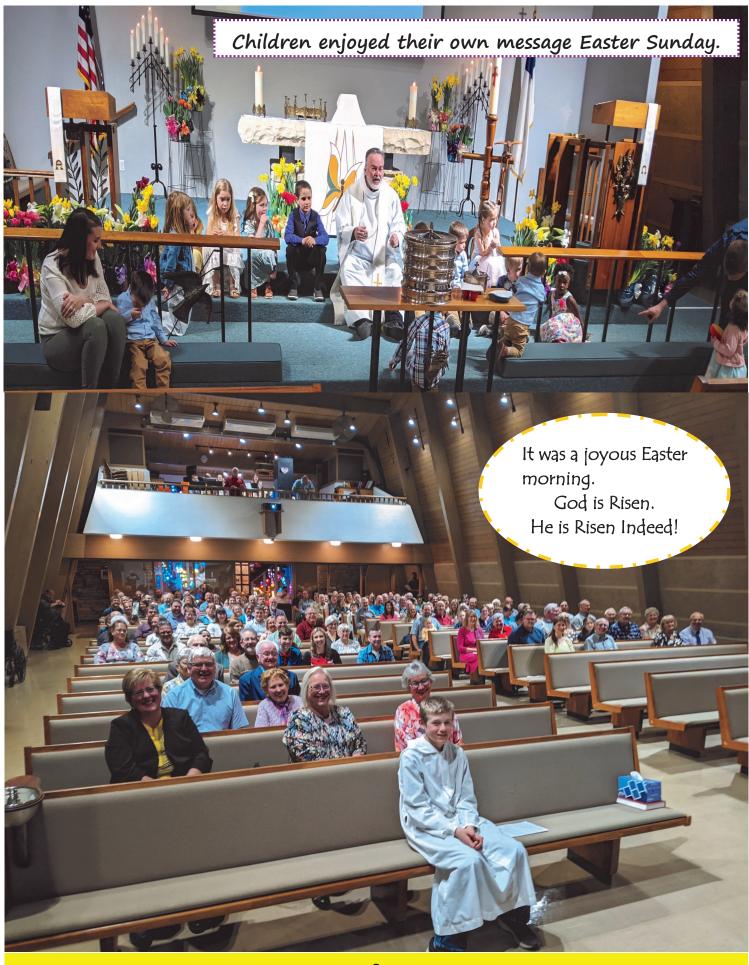
Confirmation Sunday is set for Sunday May 21st.

7th & 8th grade Confirmation students will have a Confirmation class Wrap-up "Minute to Win It" event on Wednesday May 10th.

Sunday School Students will sing and participate in worship on Mother's Day. We will have a Sunday School wrap-up Super-hero party during class on Sunday May 14th.

TO MY FAITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Thank you for the many prayers, concerns, cards and thoughtful messages I have received during my recent stroke in January and my successful heart surgery to remove a benign tumor in my heart that took place on Good Friday. Your prayers have helped me face surgery knowing that God was with me during this stressful time. I hope to be worshipping with you soon as I begin to heal. Thank you, Cheryl Domrath



Finances

Income - March 2023		Budget	Y	TD Actual	Y'	TD Budget
Envelope Offerings	\$ 19,459.00					
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 2,810.00					
General Fund Income	\$ 22,269.00	\$ 25,883.00	\$	68,025.60	\$	77,649.03
Dedicated Income	\$ 1,168.00		\$	2,670.00		
Total Income	\$ 23,437.00		\$	70,695.60		
Operating Expenses - March 2023						
Benevolence	\$ 1,494.00					
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 5,498.89					
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 18,459.37					
General Fund Expense	\$ 25,452.26	\$ 27,954.66	\$	81,951.20	\$	83,529.42
Dedicated Expense	\$ 106.00		\$	881.00		
Total Expenses	\$ 25,558.26		\$	82,832.20		

Year to Date General Fund Net Income: \$ (13,925.60)

Members and Guests of Faith Lutheran Church

Because of a generous donation from a member of Faith, we have now installed a hearing assist system known as a "T-Coil" system. This system is designed to make it possible for those who have a hearing impairment or deficiency, to be able to enjoy the entire worship by aiding in your ability to simply hear the service. This is accomplished in one of two ways:

First, if you currently have hearing devices and they are T-Coil capable, once your T- Coil button is pushed, your current hearing aids will receive all the church's sound that is coming out of our sound system directly to your device. It will be like having a speaker in your ear.

Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil
mitters
be transmitted to this headset,

Second, if you do not have a hearing device, or its not T-Coil capable, we do have two transmitters with a head set you will be able to use, and by placing them on yourself, the sound system will be transmitted to this headset, as yes you will be able to hear the entire service.

Those of you who currently have a hearing device, check with your audiologist to see if your device is compatible with T-Coil, and how to activate. Those who do not have a device or have one that is not compatible but wish to use the system, should check a transmitter out with the head usher, and at the end of service return to the usher. The ushers will activate and show you how to use it. Again, we want you to feel free to use this system as it should hopefully enhance the service for you. A *HUGE THANK YOU* to our member who made this possible.

Any questions please don't be afraid to ask as we want you to be able to enjoy the entire service. Universal signage of "T-Coil" system is placed on entrance doors so guests know we have this system. Please share this information with your friends as well.

Liturgical Roles - Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

Funerals Delores Johnson and James Hansen

Membership

Baptized	809
Confirmed	586
Famillies	103

Worship Attendance

	Sunday		Wednesday
3/19	102		67
3/26	112		63
4/2	152		
4/6 = 68	4/7 = 115		
4/9	7:00 = 96	9:00 = 208	38
4/16	91		42

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

				(Committee	
June	Marlene	Evenson,	Chair	(Committee	#1)

Lectors

5/3	Kaye Jandrey
5/7	Joyce Sorenson
5/10	Carol Ulness
5/14	Joan Pritzl
5/17	Julie Endries
5/21	Jenniffer Zutz
5/24	Don Schreiner
5/28	Stefanie Kaderabek
5/31	Kerry Schnell

Communion Servers

5/3	Judy Valleskey
5/7	Joyce Sorenson
5/17	Julie Endries
5/21	Jenniffer Zutz
5/31	Kerry Schnell

Acolyte Schedule

5/7	Liam Cline
5/14	Logan Bratt
5/21	Kolten Schisel
5/28	Keagan Hougen

Head Ushers

Matt Krogh and Paul Franz

Greeters

5/3	Judy Valleskey
5/7	Marcus Galien
5/10	David Haupt
5/14	Audrey Sorenson
5/17	Julie Endries
5/21	Keith and Audrey Lippert
5/24	Don Schreiner
5/28	Tom and Rae Madson
5/31	Tom and Jan Behnke

Ushers

5/7	Keith Lippert, Tyler Madson & Lori Propson
5/14	Ron Jones and Larry Naidl
5/21	Dean and Rose Behnke Family
5/28	Brian Ulness and Loren Ulness

Sound Operator

5/3	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/7	Loren Ulness
5/10	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/14	Erin Lenzner
5/17	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/21	Terry Huske
5/24	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/28	Makenna Kaderabek
5/31	Kayla Hildebrandt

Projection

5/7	DJ Schisel
5/10	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/14	Luke Evenson
5/17	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/21	Terry Huske
5/24	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/28	Makenna Kaderabek
5/31	Kayla Hildebrandt

Kerry Schnell

Video Operator/Live Stream

5/3	John Schnell
5/7	Travis Schisel
5/10	Susan Christel
5/14	Carter Lenzner
5/17	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/21	Bill Riesterer
5/24	Kayla Hildebrandt
5/28	Jake Kaderabek
5/31	Kayla Hildebrandt

Pantry Needs

Geranium Form

Faith's Open pantry is in need of the following!!!

Canned or packaged tuna in regular flavor

Canned chicken in broth or water

Spaghetti (no wheat)

Bagged noodles (no wheat)

Sugars (white, brown, powder)

All purpose white flour

Cake/brownie/dessert mixes

Vanilla, salt, pepper, assorted spices

Baking soda/powder

White vinegar

Apple cider vinegar

Vegetable oil

Canned meals

Brown beans (regular size)

Mayo, miracle whip, etc.

Boxed mashed potatoes

Assorted au gratin potatoes

Pancake mix

BBQ sauce

Instant coffee

Bottled juice products

Peaches

Cherry pie filling

Pie crusts (ready made or a box crust mix)

Graham crackers

French, Ranch, Caesar, Italian, 1000 island

dressings

Pizza kits

Gluten free food items from cereal, crackers,

dessert mixes, anything gluten free

Oranges

Paper towels

Laundry soap (preferably Tide, Gain, Arm and

Hammer), Laundry dryer sheets

Cleaning items

Snack/candy items

Boxed/pouch juices, fruit drinks

Personal care items for men and women

Bar soap

Something you like that others might too!!

BUT

No soups, peanut butter, veggies other than

brown beans, pudding/Jell-O, fruit cocktail

Any questions call Sandy 323-2086!

Order your Geraniums for Pentecost Sunday, May 28

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS MAY 10.

I (We) wish to order a **red** geranium to be placed in church on Pentecost Sunday.

Name(s) of Person(s) ordering:

This plant is (circle one)

In Thanksgiving to God or

In Memory In Honor of:

QUANTITY

_____ 4" pot @ \$2.50 Total \$_____

PLEASE INDICATE:

____ I wish to donate my plant where needed.

____ I will take my plant home by Sunday, June 4.

World Hunger

I would like to give money to World Hunger in lieu of a plant.

This is (circle one)

In Thanksgiving to God or

In Memory In Honor of:

Amount enclosed _____

VBS Registration Form and Information

What kid wouldn't want to spend a week at a circus/carnival?!? "BIG and BOLD" Vacation Bible School at Faith Lutheran Church in Valders, will be the place to be this Summer! VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch and even taste! Team-building games, cool Bible songs and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Kids will also participate in a hands-on mission project!

VBS will run 12:30-4:00pm Monday, June 19th through Thursday, June 22nd.

For those children attending Summer School in Valders, a bus will be available from Valders Elementary School to Faith Lutheran Church each day. Please check the appropriate box on the registration form below if your child will take the bus from Valders Elementary to VBS. Families will need to arrange for transportation to pick up their children at the end of each day.

Children entering 4K through 6th grade of all denominations are welcome!

Registration by May 31st is appreciated so we are sure to have enough volunteers, supplies, and snacks ready for all who attend.

The cost for VBS is \$20.00 per child (maximum of \$40 per family). Scholarships for VBS are available if needed. Please call with questions!

The week will conclude with an outdoor carnival on Friday June 23rd 5-8pm. Food Trucks, carnival type games, The Balloon Lady, a bounce house, face painting, and the Valders FD will be on hand with fire trucks to check out. There will be fun for the whole family!! There are several ways to register. Please complete and mail form and fee to: Faith Lutheran Church, 255 Roosevelt Street PO Box 369 Valders, WI 54245. If you attend Faith Lutheran feel free to drop it in the mail slot outside of the Youth Coordinator's office or have your child hand it in at Sunday School. If you have further questions, call or text our Youth Coordinator, Bridget Valleskey at (920)905-5273. — The Board of Christian Education

Vacation Bible School Registration Form (one form per child)

Child's Name:			
Julia's Gender:	Child's Age:	Date of Birth:	
School grade completed in 2022-2023:			
Name of parent(s):			
Street Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
City:	Cell Phone: (_)	
Email Address:			
Home Church:			
Medical conditions:			
Food Allergies:			
n case of emergency during VBS, cont	tact:		
Phone:	Relationship to ch	ild:	
Do we have permission to use your chil	ld's picture in publicity photo	s? YES NO	(circle one)
Please check one:			
 My child is attending Summer Scho Elementary School to Faith Luther 	an Church. I will make sure	they have transporta	ation home at 4:00.
I will make my own arrangements f	for transportation of my chi	ld to and from Faith	Lutheran Church.

Faith Lutheran Church Minutes — March 20 2023

Pastor's Report: Klessig funeral was well attended and went well. Visionary event went well – another event may be needed to pick up where we left off.

Housekeeping Item: Erin showed pictures of two options for playground equipment – a \$10,000 and \$20,000 options. A motion was made and carried to purchase the \$10,000 playground equipment option with funds received from Robert Onkka memorial. Pastor suggested installation of a fence around the playground to provide more safety for children due to potential of running into the road.

New Business: **Consolidate meetings to one night.** Pastor requested scheduling all meetings on one night. It was decided to request that all Boards/Committees schedule their regular meetings on the first Monday or first Wednesday of the month. **Easter postcards and postage:** A between-meeting motion was made and carried by email to fund, outside of the Evangelism budget, printing and mailing of a postcard providing awareness of Faith's holy week service/event schedule. Members of the Council also provided their vote by email. A motion was made and carried at the March meeting that the funding for the postcard be taken from Expanded Ministries memorial fund.

T-Loop hearing assistance project: DRS Sound Inc. from Kiel came to assess which hearing assistance equipment would work best in our sanctuary. Wires would be installed 12 feet from the floor on side walls in the sanctuary at a cost of \$5,450. A member of FLC agreed to pay the entire cost to purchase and install the T-Loop hearing assistance equipment in the sanctuary. Two receivers are included in the quote. If additional receivers are needed, they would cost \$125 each. DRS Sound Inc. assured there will be no interference with the sound or video systems, but there is potential to have interference with a bass guitar. A quote was also given for purchase and installation of the T-Loop hearing assistance equipment in the Gathering Space, which would have a cost of \$7,850 and would be installed in the ceiling. It was decided to wait to see how well the equipment functions in the sanctuary; and if reaction is positive, then revisit whether the equipment should also be installed in the Gathering Space. No funding has been promised to cover the cost in the Gathering Space. A motion was made and carried to hire DRS Sound Inc. from Kiel to install the T-Loop hearing system in the sanctuary.

Replacement of cables for Praise Band equipment: Cables are getting old and worn and have been repaired to allow continued use. To replace all the cables we currently have, it will cost \$264.75. Old ones could be kept for spares. A motion was made and carried to purchase new cables to replace all the current ones being used by the Praise Band.

FLC Donated Property Policy: Bill prepared a policy for handling property donated to Faith Lutheran Church. The policy indicates that property with a value of \$250.00 or more needs to come before the Council for acceptance. Once donated, the item becomes the property of FLC & the church is responsible for maintaining & insuring the property if needed, and FLC may decide if it is time for disposal. A motion was made and carried to adopt the donation policy as prepared by Bill Riesterer.

Council representative reports:

<u>Lay Ministry</u> – *Joyce Sorenson*: Joyce contacted John Onkka to thank him for the painting donation from the Robert Onkka estate

<u>Fellowship</u> – *Marilyn Robley:* Marilyn asked if anything was needed from the Board of Fellowship for Confirmation. Erin reported that the Board of Education will be responsible for bringing a cake, so the Board of Fellowship duties will be the same as any other Sunday.

<u>Property</u> – *Mark Zutz*: Shed project is ongoing – working on design and location. Current plans are to build the shed as a school project or by members of FLC. Existing shed will be sold. Ice was building up on upper level & has been taken care of. <u>Christian Education</u> – Larry and Bridget: 8 Confirmation students, 7 mentors, Pastor Dan, and Larry were invited to the Sheboygan Synagogue for a worship service and meal. May 7th – Confirmation interviews – students will be prepared for their interviews by being informed of what type of questions will be asked ahead of time. Confirmation is May 21st. VBS is June 19 – 23rd with the theme "Carnival" and Friday night there will be a carnival held outside and dinner will be served for VBS attendees and their families. Sunday School children toured the pantry and would like to hold a noisy offering on all Sundays in April to help fund the pantry. A temple talk will be done to make congregation aware of noisy offering ahead of time. A motion was made and carried to allow Sunday School youth to hold a noisy offering all Sundays in April. Bridget recruited new members for the Board of Education. An Egg Hunt is being planned for Palm Sunday.

<u>Youth and Family Ministry</u> – *Erin reported in Gretchen's absence*: Anderia is doing a Canvas painting event a Kids Night Out on April 21. A family event will be held in May, which is still in the planning stages. An Easter Breakfast will be served between services on Easter Sunday.

Close of Meeting: Having completed all business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. Next Meeting: April 17, 2023. Devotions – Joan Pritzl

Celebrating Your Birthday!

MAY

- Joan Pritzl
 Emma Karstaedt
- Terra Peterson
 Austin McCulley
 Donald Schisel
 Nicole Spindler
- 3. Kim Tan
 Stacy Olm
 Eric Haupt
 Walker Ulness
 Dominic Hernandez
- 4. Lorraine Stenzel Lori Bruckner Rachel Robley
- 5. Ella Hammel Brenda Johnson Jared Petska Benjamin Kalies
- 6. Lexie Evenson
 Peter Scharenbroch
- 8. Richard Schaeuble
- 9. Daniel Esser Timothy Brick
- 10. Mardell Huske Marilyn Robley Robert Voss
- 11. Erik Gordon
- 14. Leonard Reinertson David Linzmeier

- 15. Pam Brick Brenda Olson Wylder Fochs
- 16. Jennifer Junk Sandy Halverson
- 17. Vicki Wetenkamp Ellen Polifka Jennifer Ott Michael Wenzel
- 18. Bertha Kulnick Romelle Rusch James Pederson Thomas Rutherford Joshua Olson Patrick Mulhaney
- 19. Ty Lippert
- 20. Everett Galien
- 21. Doris Olson Colten Fuller
- 22. Kenneth O'Leary Aliza Sabourin Judy Valleskey
- 23. Scott Reinertson
- 24. Thomas Behnke Jill Wittmus Noah Boll

- 25. Ashlin Hill
- 26. Bryant Schwoerer
- 28. Tim Endries
- 29. Rita Holst Brian Olson Isaac Boll Kristina Sousek
- 30. Bev Hildebrandt Lucille Rutherford Matthew Sorenson John Schnell Carter Valleskey
- 31. Trevor McCulley
 Daniel Whitehouse
 Kace Goehring
 Amber Kwasny

JUNE

- 1. James Schuessler
- 2. Kevin Madson Baylor Fochs
- 3. Glenn Otto Don Domrath
- 4. John Thompson Stacy Wilker Logan Bratt
- John Polifka Audrey Sorenson Camden Duchow
- 6. Virginia Meyer Donald Tienor Rebecca Schultz Shawnae Galien
- 7. Andrew Schnell
- 9. Conrad Evenson Wanda Neumeyer Dylan Conrad Kyle Conrad
- 10. Jill Franz Mikaela Spindler Mary Siewert





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			9:00 Jazzercise	8:00 Quilting		
	5:30 Jazzercise 6:00 Board of Lay	6:00 Board of	6:15 Warahin	5:30 Jazzercise		
Ministry	Evangelism	6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	World Prayer			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:00 Bell Choir 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour, Sunday school 10:15 Mixed Choir	5:30 Jazzercise		9:00 Jazzercise 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting		9:00 2nd Sat. Bible Study
				5:30 Jazzercise		
14 8:00 Bell Choir 9:00 Worship	15	16	17	18 8:00 Quilting	19	20
(Sunday school kids sing) 10:00 Fellowship Hour, Sunday	Newsletter info due	9:00 Senior Christians at Riverview	9:00 Jazzercise	5:30 Jazzercise		9:00-10:00 Open Pantry
school Happy Mother's Day	5:30 Jazzercise 6:30 Council	Restaurant in Kiel	6:15 Worship	Tesus Lascends into heaven		
21 9:00 Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
10:00 Fellowship Hour, Sunday school (last one until September)	5:30 Jazzercise		9:00 Jazzercise	8:00 Quilting		
CONFRANCE	5.50 Jazzercise		6:15 Worship	5:30 Jazzercise		
28	29	30	31			
9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	Office Closed 5:30 Jazzercise	2:00-6:00 Blood Drive (changed from May 2)	9:00 Jazzercise			
PENTECOST SUNDAY	REMEMBER	Can You Spare A Drop?	6:15 Worship			

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An opportunity for adults (18-40) with intellectual or developmental disabilities to gather in an authentic, faith-filled environment, grow in their connection to each other and the greater church, and return home with a renewed enthusiasm.

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