

Trinity Tidings

Trinity Lutheran Church and School

3000 35th Avenue

Greeley, Colorado 80634

June 2020

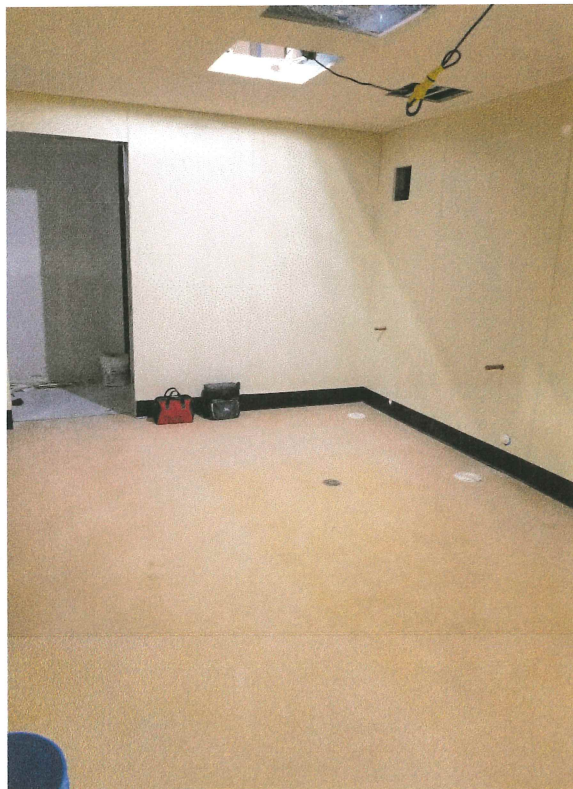
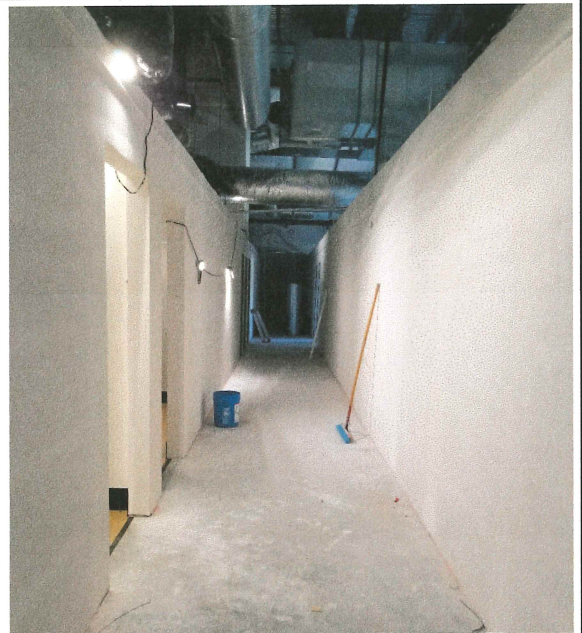


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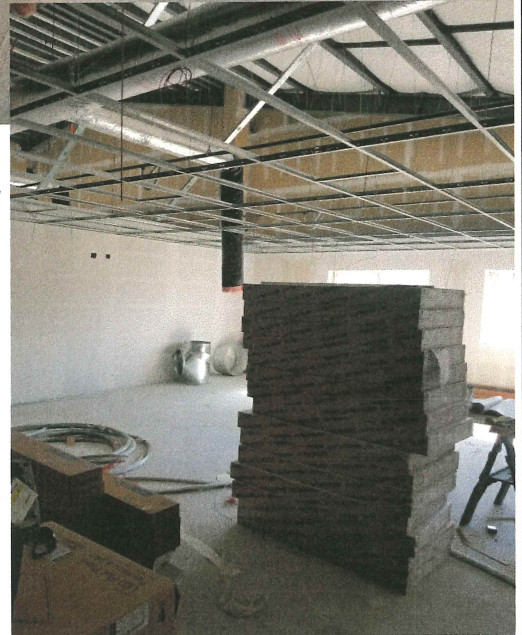
School Upstairs Building Project:

The picture to the right is from the same location as the picture in last month's Newsletter. As you can see, the drywall is up!

Work continues on the HVAC. Once it is finished, it will need to be connected to the existing HVAC before the ceilings are put in. The framework for the ceiling tiles (in the picture below on the right) is being installed and prep work for the elevator is also being done. The elevator has specific needs both for electrical power and a phone line that are being addressed. Word came this week that the elevator



itself and it's installation has been delayed until the end of July. The picture on the left is of one of the bathrooms upstairs. The walls and floors are done. The sinks, toilets and stalls are ready to be installed. God continues to bless this project. If the school needs to meet social distancing



guidelines in the fall, God has prepared the way for us to do that with a finished upstairs. Give thanks and Praise to God and continue to Pray, Pray, Pray!

Trinity Lutheran Church

Executive Council Minutes

May 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Mike Thuener. Gary Klipp opened with prayer.

Quorum was established. Present at the meeting were Mike Thuener, Bob Thorgesen, Vicki Akin, Elaine Jecminek, Dan Jecminek, Linda Klipp & Gary Klipp.

Minutes of the March 14, 2020 Executive Council meeting were approved. The April council meeting was video recorded, and will be sent to the council secretary.

Treasurer We have been able to pay all current expenses. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Board Reports

The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries

1. John Kruger has retired from the Elders Board.
2. Confirmation will be on Saturday, May 16; families of confirmands will come separately for individual confirmation.
3. Discussions continue as to when to reopen the church for services, as we must comply with current state restrictions.
4. Communion will be offered during the week of 5/11/20, with groups no larger than 10.

The Board of Property Ministries

1. The hot water heater at the school will have to be replaced, and this is in process.
2. The elevator at the school will be installed in the next two weeks. The process will take two weeks.
3. A booster pump will be installed for the irrigation system.
4. McCreary has replaced 19 faulty dampers in the school.

The Board of Education Ministries

1. Vacation Bible School - There are new considerations as a result of the pandemic as to how to conduct VBS. A possibility is a once a week family night.
2. The Early Childhood Center is scheduled to open June 1, 2020.
3. Kyle and Gwen have gathered considerable information in order to have a safe opening of preschool and our K-8 school. At the next Board of Education meeting, the focus will be on virtual learning, in the event this will have to continue in the fall.
4. The Parent Teacher League is working on new fundraising ideas.
5. Interviews are upcoming for a 3rd/4th grade teacher.

The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries

1. Budgets are due from board chairpersons as soon as you can get them to Vicki.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

We will need to install a phone line for the elevator. We are also going to have Century Link install fiber optics, which should increase our internet speed five times the current speed. The council approved a contract with them for five years.

School Happenings

Preschool & K-8

Trinity Family,

The end of this school year was nothing like any previous we have experienced as an educator. Back when we started in August, who could have imagined it drawing to a close this way. Students missed the opportunity to say goodbye to their teachers and friends. Parents have spent a couple months being thrust into the role of home-school instructor. And teachers were not meant to sit in front of a screen all day trying to manage distance learning. We all mourn the loss of experiences we were denied in March through May.

End of the Year
FUN

But . . . we had the opportunity to try something new! Parents had the opportunity to spend more time with their kids. We were forced to learn some new technology that may help us connect with others even when social distancing goes away. The construction project could be completed while there were very few people in the building. And I think all of us gained a new appreciation for the little things in life that we won't take for granted again.

But the lasting memory from this event is how our staff demonstrated what it is like to live by **Faith** – to be confident in the **Hope** we have in Christ Jesus – to go the extra mile out of **Love** and concern for our students and their families. At our last preschool materials pick up, a couple families who had not previously enrolled in kindergarten talked to Kyle about possibly enrolling. They don't want to leave the Trinity family where they feel so safe and loved.

There is a lot to be excited about within our ministries at Trinity. We are in the process of working on a marketing plan to get the word into our community throughout the month of July. We do not want to be Greeley's "best kept secret." God is at work in this place! Be looking for ways that you can help. You can always refer people to our website or have them contact Gwen or Kyle (contact information is in the bulletin each week).



We are opening a childcare classroom on June 1. Again, our focus will be that our students and their parents feel safe and loved. We also will stress keeping our staff safe. There are LOTS of policies and procedures to follow to reopen, but the preschool staff has been hard at work in May to make this happen. We will open up just one room for now. We are limited to 10 students in the room (normally that classroom holds 15). We will work out all the ins and outs of daily life in a school after Covid-19 so that we can hopefully be back to regular classrooms by fall.

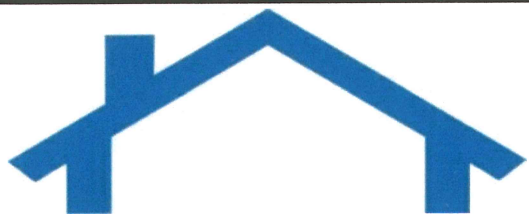
Continue to pray for our staff and students, specifically for the marketing campaign and reopening a classroom. Watch the next couple newsletters for details on the upcoming school year, which will be year 75 for Trinity Lutheran School. That calls for a celebration!



Fully in Christ,

Gwen Marshall
Director of Early Childhood Education

Kyle Erickson
Principal of K through 8th Grade



Remembering Our Homebound Members

The following members of our church are currently either living at home or in a care facility and have limited capability of joining their church family at worship. Please remember them with prayers and perhaps by sending them a card.

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| *Patsy Aldridge –Meadowview | *Ruth McGhghy - Bonell Towers |
| *Geraldine Beitz –Home | *Zona Oft –Someran Glen |
| *Lois Bliss –Garden Square | *Redonda Patton - Bonell |
| *Melanie Davis - Home | *Elfrieda Schlager - Garden Square |
| *Rachel Einspahr – Home | *Lanny Schlange - Home |
| *Richard & Mildred Ewald –Home | *Bernice Schooler –Home |
| *Margaret Anne Hilst –Bonell | *Dave Schonek –Home |
| *Jack & Caryle Kassahn –Home | *Joye Shafer - Centennial Healthcare |
| *Herman Kiel - Home | *Virgil Troester - Bonell Towers |
| *Charlene Kontz –Bonell | *Rosalie Wacker - Life Care |
| *Wilbert Lutz –Home | *Earl Weiss –Grace Point |
| *Fran Martin –Home | *Letha Witt –with Family |



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED WELD FOOD BANK

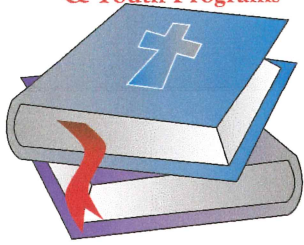
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Greetings!

Director of
Christian Education
& Youth Programs

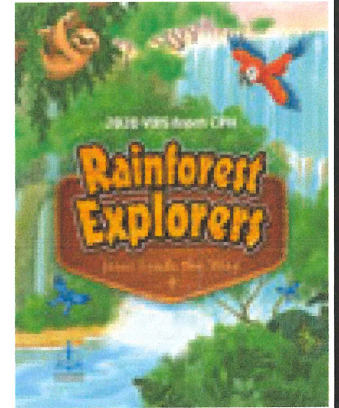


"We are living in a changing world." That statement has taken on a whole new meaning in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. Several of our planned events in recent months and going forward have been cancelled, postponed, or have become a virtual event. I hope you were able to virtually join our confirmands as they read their statements of faith and were confirmed on Sunday, May 17th. If you missed it and have access to a computer, you can go to the Sermon archives on the church side of the website tlsgreeley.org and watch as they are blessed and receive their first communion. Current world circumstances have challenged us to think outside of the box to adhere to the restrictions put in place by our

government and still fulfill the desires of our heart to be closer to God and to worship Him with our Trinity family. Join me in giving thanks and praise to God for the entire worship team that works together to live-stream our worship service.

VBS-Postponed until July. The VBS team is working out details to put together a "take-home" Backyard VBS Option this year. More details to come soon. This year's VBS theme is "Rainforest Explores". The rainforest is a wild place. To make it through this unknown world safely, kids need a guide who can keep them on the right path. At *Rainforest Explorers*, learn how Jesus is our ultimate guide in the rainforest and throughout our lives. We might feel lost, but He'll show us the way. He'll never leave us.

Youth Mission Trip -has been cancelled. We look forward to partnering with Youth Works next summer for a similar event.



CANCELLED MEETINGS FOR JUNE

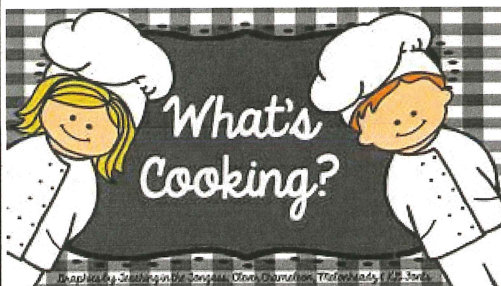
LWML will not meet again until the fall. Their Ladies Lunch Out has been cancelled.

MITE UPDATE! To God be the Glory! All 2018-2020 Mission Grants for the Rocky Mountain District have been met and our commitment to National has been met. At Convention we will be voting on new Grants. Remember your MITE box even while you practice social distancing. Continue to pray for mission grant recipients and support them.

Mary/Martha-Naomi Ruth will not meet again until the fall.

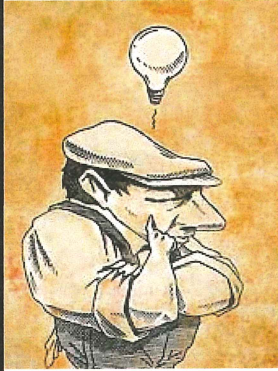
O.W.L.S. will not meet again until next fall.

Mission Circle and **Friendship Circle** are both hoping to meet again, but date and times are not yet determined. Members of each group will be notified if and when a meeting is scheduled.



COOK'S NIGHT OUT is on hiatus! Local restaurants in Greeley need our help during these unprecedented times as their dining rooms remain closed. We invite you to "give back" by supporting previous Cook's Night Out venues thru online ordering, delivery or drive-thru during these uncertain times. Thank you for your support Trinity, and we look forward to more food, fun, and fellowship in the fall. Stay safe and healthy.

I found this article a couple of years ago, and I honestly don't remember whether it was part of a devotion or something I randomly came across, but I saved it and now I would like to share this tongue-in-cheek obituary with you. Looking online, Lori Borgman is credited with publishing the first version on March 15th, 1998. Comedian George Carlin has used a version in his stand-up routine. There are slight variations in different versions that can be found online. I hope it makes you chuckle.



Three yards of black fabric enshroud my computer terminal. I am mourning the passing of an old friend by the name of Common Sense.

His obituary reads as follows:

Common Sense, aka C.S., lived a long life, but died from heart failure at the brink of the millennium. No one really knows how old he was, his birth records were long ago entangled in miles and miles of bureaucratic red tape. Known affectionately to close friends as Horse Sense and Sound Thinking, he selflessly devoted himself to a life of service in homes, schools, hospitals and offices, helping folks get jobs done without a lot of fanfare, whooping and hollering.

Rules and regulations and petty, frivolous lawsuits held no power over C.S. A most reliable sage, he was credited with cultivating the ability to know when to come in out of the rain, the discovery that the early bird gets the worm and how to take the bitter with the sweet.

C.S. also developed sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn), reliable parenting strategies (the adult is in charge, not the kid) and prudent dietary plans (offset eggs and bacon with a little fiber and orange juice). A veteran of the Industrial Revolution, the Great Depression, the Technological Revolution and the Smoking Crusades, C.S. survived sundry cultural and educational trends including disco, the men's movement, body piercing, whole language and new math. C.S.'s health began declining in the late 1960s when he became infected with the "If-It-Feels-Good, Do-It" virus and shortly after, the "If-It-Only-Helps-One-Person-It's Worth-It" virus.

In the following decades, his waning strength proved no match for the ravages of overbearing federal and state rules and regulations and an oppressive tax code. C.S. was sapped of strength and the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband, churches became businesses, criminals received better treatment than victims and judges stuck their noses in everything from Boy Scouts to professional baseball and golf, making laws rather than enforcing them.

His deterioration accelerated as schools implemented zero-tolerance policies. Reports of 6-year-old boys charged with sexual harassment for kissing classmates, a teen suspended for taking a swig of Scope mouthwash after lunch, girls suspended for possessing Midol and an honor student expelled for having a table knife in her school lunch were more than his heart could endure.

As the end neared, doctors say C.S. drifted in and out of logic but was kept informed of developments regarding regulations on low-flow toilets and mandatory air bags. Finally, upon hearing about a government plan to ban inhalers from 14 million asthmatics due to a trace of a pollutant that may be harmful to the environment, C.S. breathed his last.

C.S. was preceded in death by his parents Right and Wrong; his wife, Discretion; one daughter, Responsibility; and one son, Reason. He is survived by two step-brothers, Half-Wit and Dim-Wit.

Memorial Contributions may be sent to the Institute for Rational Thought. His funeral was small, because few knew he died. Farewell, Common Sense. May you rest in peace.

"God made foolish the wisdom of the world." 1 Corinthians 1:20

Hopefully common sense is still in your heart and home!



JUNE



Birthdays

1-June Martin
 2-Jennifer Lenderink
 3-Rebecca Kelly-Watson
 3 –Gwen Marshall
 4-Ashley Roohr
 6 –Tirzah Kunze
 6-Dixie Wacker
 8 –Henry Thuener II
 9 –Brenda Chartier
 9 –Jason Reiter
 9 –Larry Seegrist
 12 - Jack Kassahn
 13-Scott Zielske
 14 –Susan Pelis
 15 –Thea Hammers
 15 –Venetta Jones

15-Jacob Roohr
 16-Beverly Schildmeier
 17 Janice Wiedeman
 19 –Amanda Zielske
 20 –John Kruger
 21 –Daniel DeLange
 21 –Acacia Kunze
 24 –Cheri Carsten
 24 –Micah Wacker
 25 –Stephen Cooper
 28 –Ron Gemaehlich
 28-Todd Whitmore
 25 –Fran Zielske
 30 –Wanda Anderson
 30 –Richard Beitz
 30 –Richard Geisert



John & Cathy Kruger –2 yr.
 Jason & Laura Reiter – 9 yrs.
 Michael & Amanda Thuener—9 yrs.
 Tim & Tiffani Martin –19 yrs.
 Todd & Karla Whitmore –31 yrs.
 Larry & Rexene Whitney – 47 yrs.
 John & Sharon Long – 51 yrs.
 Robert & Carolyn Cowherd –58 yrs.
 Robert & Lorene Steele –62 yrs.
 Richard & Mildred Ewald –69 yrs.
 Dale & Mary Ann Young - 69 yrs.

(If we missed your special day, please let the office know.)



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SENDING SEVEN

"It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty." Acts 6:2b-3

JOHN WOLF -(retired AF Lt Colonel)

John will oversee all the mission fields in Africa as a logistics person.

E-mail: John.wolf@lcmsintl.org

Keep up with the Wolf Pack thru their Newsletters
-Copy and paste the link below:

<https://mailchi.mp/e79b06543330/november-sending-seven-partners-in-faith-3629761?e=00068540f8>

Ministry Assistants—June Schedule

June 7

Elders – 8:00 am– Dan Jeceminek; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers –Bob Cowherd

Sound –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video –8:00 am Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture –8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist –Ken Streeb

Security –8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

Called to *Serve*

June 14*

Elders –8:00 am Mike Thuener & Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers –Ken Einspahr

Sound –8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am TBD

Video –8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Marlo Wacker

Scripture –8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist –Sharon Lessman

Security – 8:00 am John Kruger; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

June 21

Elders – 8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers –Virtus Einspahr

Sound – 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video – 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture –8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Steve Cooper

Organist– Ken Streeb

Security –8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt



June 28*

Elders –8:00 am Brian Anderson & Dan Jecminek; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers –Ron Gemaehlich

Sound –8:00 am Rochelle Wacker; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video –8:00 am Marlo Wacker; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture – 8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Brenda Schmidt

Organist– Ken Streeb

Security –8:00 am Mike THuener; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

*Communion

Ministry assistants are always needed in each of the above areas.

If you are interested in serving, please call the following people.

Elders - Gary Klipp, 351-8172

Ushers - Ken Einspahr, 454-1626

Sound/Video - Dan Swanson, 351-8815



June

ALTAR FLOWER

~Schedule~

Please sign up to bring flowers. The chart is on the wall by door to the old church office or call the church office, 330-2485.

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Roger & Kim Munsterman
(In Memory of Peggy)

June 14

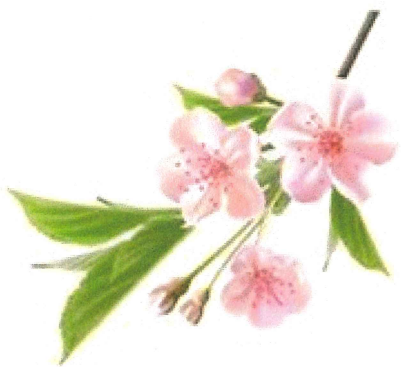
Mike & Amanda Thuener
(Anniversary)

June 21

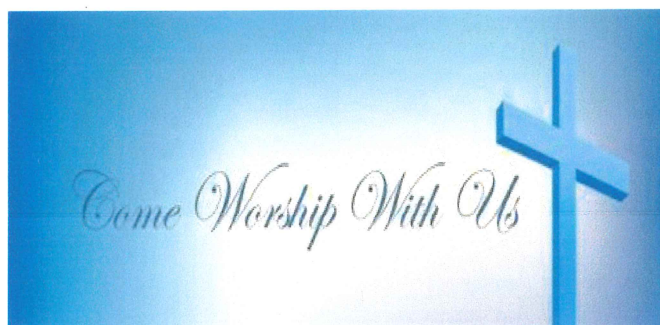
Vicki Akin
(In Memory of Husband & Father)

June 28

Available



**2020 Calendar is waiting for
you to pick a date !**



Sunday Mornings

8:00 am—Traditional service

9:20 am –Sunday School
& Adult Bible Studies

10:30 am -Contemporary Service

Holy Communion
2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays

Due to COVID-19
Services may be canceled.

*Go to: tsgreeley.org and Live-stream
the 8 am Traditional Service
on Sunday mornings.*

*Immediately following, join
Pastor Hafeman and Pastor Hesse
for a Live-Stream Bible Study.*

*Missed a Sunday, all the services are
archived on tsgreeley.org*

*Use the **Give Now** Button for
your weekly offerings!*

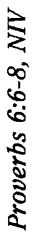
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 31 8:00am Traditional Svc.-Live Stream 9:20am Bible Study-Live Stream	Jun 1 9:00am Quilters Meet 6:00pm BOCE Meeting	2	3	4 7:00am Men's Group	5	6
7 8:00am Traditional Svc.-Live Stream 9:20am Bible Study-Live Stream	8 9:00am Quilters Meet	9	10	11 7:00am Men's Group	12	13 7:00am ELDERS Meeting 8:00am Church Clean-Up 8:30am Executive Council
14 8:00am Traditional Svc.-Live Stream 9:20am Bible Study-Live Stream	15 9:00am Quilters Meet 3:00pm Newsletter Deadline	16	17	18 7:00am Men's Group	19	20
21 8:00am Traditional Svc.-Live Stream 9:20am Bible Study-Live Stream	22 9:00am Quilters Meet	23	24	25 7:00am Men's Group	26	27
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Sunday School - 9:20 am



Answer: Go to the ant ... consider its ways and be wise! It ... stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest. —Proverbs 6:6-8, NIV