



Forecaster

Faith Lutheran Church * June 2026



A Father's Love

Father's Day is a time to celebrate the fathers in our lives, but it's also a time to reflect on the heart of our Heavenly Father. God is a loving and faithful Father who loves us unconditionally. He is always there for us, no matter what.

I remember the day my first child was born. It was a day of great joy and excitement, but it was also a day of overwhelming love. As I held my newborn daughter in my arms, I felt a love for her that I had never felt before. It was a love that was pure and unconditional.

I realized in that moment that this is how God loves us. He loves us with a love that is beyond our understanding. He loves us even when we don't deserve it. He loves us even when we make mistakes. He loves us unconditionally.

God's Unconditional Love

The Bible tells us that God is love (1 John 4:8). It also tells us that God is a merciful and gracious Father (Exodus 34:6). These verses remind us that God's love is not based on our performance. It is not based on what we do or don't do. God's love is simply who He is. No matter what season of life you find yourself in, whether you're feeling lost, alone, or weighed down by your mistakes, it's important to remember that God's foundational disposition towards you is one of delight and unconditional love. He loves you because you are His beloved child.

This is incredibly good news! It means that no matter what you're going through, God's love for you remains constant. He is always with you and will never abandon you.

So, let this truth take root in your heart: God loves you unconditionally. He delights in being your Father. Hold onto this truth and let it fill you with hope and peace.

Embracing God's Love and Celebrating Father's Day

This Father's Day, let's take some time to reflect on the heart of our Heavenly Father. Let's thank Him for His unconditional love. Let's let Him know how much we appreciate Him. And let's commit to living our lives in a way that brings Him joy.

Here are some ways to experience the heart of our Heavenly Father:

- **Spend time in prayer** and ask God to reveal His love to you.
- **Read the Bible** and meditate on the verses that talk about God's love.
- **Spend time with other believers** who can encourage you in your faith.
- **Do something kind** for someone else in need.
- **Let go** of any bitterness or resentment you may be holding onto.

As you do these things, I believe you will experience the heart of your Heavenly Father in a new and deeper way. You will feel His love enveloping you and filling you with peace and joy.

Happy Father's Day!

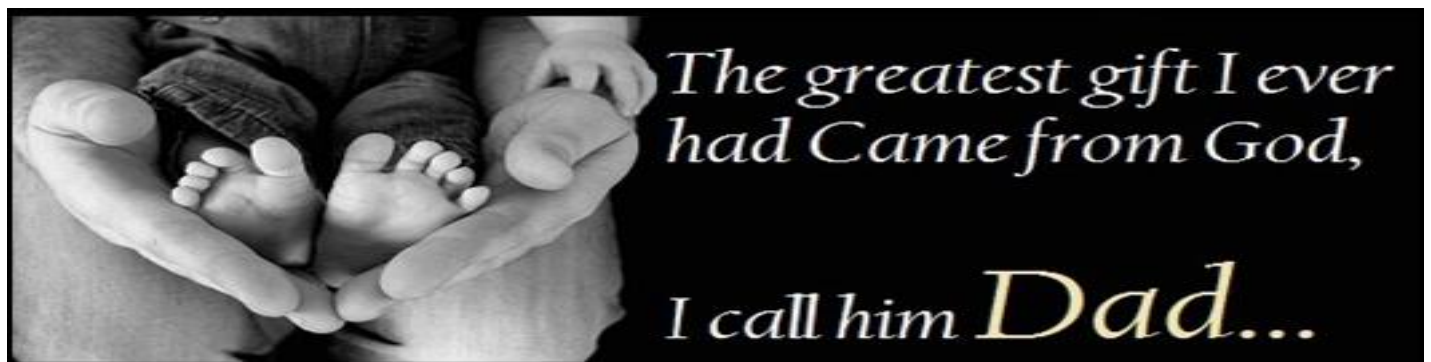
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Woo hooooooo, Faith Lutheran's new website is now LIVE! Our new web address is faithlutheranmenifee.com! There is a lot to check out, so head on over there now!!

Like our previous website, you can access live stream worship services, worship service videos, bulletins, our calendar, the Forecaster and more! But in addition to all of that, we now have a [Prayer Wall](#) (you can request prayers and pray for others' requests!), we have an individual page for each of our [Ministries](#), a page specifically for [Upcoming Events](#), and you can submit your [offering](#) from the website, as well!

Faith That Reaches Beyond *Sunday*





"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

"God blesses His people with many resources, including money, but that blessing comes with the responsibility of using it for God's glory. After all, everything comes from Him." Author Unknown

Dear Faith Family,

It's been a privilege to serve as Faith's Treasurer these past 14 months, and during that time, our congregation has been the beneficiary of three significant financial blessings. Those financial blessings, in addition to your faithful giving, has helped move our congregation further away from the financial challenges related to COVID. I owe a debt of gratitude to our previous Treasurer, Mike McGavran, for navigating through those rough financial waters caused by the pandemic, making sure the church doors remained open. During that time, projects, upgrades, and some maintenance had to be deferred. I imagine Mike's arms got mighty tired stretching every dollar as far as it could go. Thank you, Mike, for doing that challenging work for 5+ years!

Last week, I had a congregation member tell me with a laugh that the Church Council had been spending money like a sailor on leave! There certainly has been a flurry of projects completed in the last several months so you may ask, "How has that been possible??" It's possible because "God blessed His people", our congregation, with extra funds generated from facilities usage (the Grace & Mercy congregation and MenifeeSeniors.com) supplemented with a surplus of money in the Property funds account.

The blessings of the property sale proceeds, the unexpected gift from Jan Williams' Estate, and the thoughtful giving from Trinity Lutheran in Hemet are safely tucked away in interest bearing bank accounts, generating passive income of around \$1,300 a month. Some of the property sale proceeds are earmarked for major deferred maintenance such as a new roof, landscape upgrades, bathroom upgrades (A/C & Heat!!), plumbing repairs, and flooring updates, to mention a few. The remaining funds will act as a safety net once a new pastor is called to Faith, to cover any financial shortfall between member giving and the pastor's salary. As a reminder, spending of any property sale proceeds requires a congregational vote.

Some of you may not know how the decisions get made about how and when the congregation's money is spent, so I'll share a brief overview with you. Most requests for funds start at the committee level. Each committee has a budget, but there are times when an event or project may require funds outside of their budget. Once a committee determines additional funds are needed, the request is sent to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee handles the research, discusses the anticipated costs, the benefits of the event or project, and how it would be funded. The Finance Committee then prepares a monthly report with recommendations for the Church Council. At the monthly Church Council meeting, the Treasurer presents the report, the items are

discussed, and then the Church Council either votes or pends the project for additional research or discussion. The Treasurer spends money as directed by the Church Council.

One of the beauties of our Congregational Constitution is that one person alone does NOT make the financial decisions. Instead, the Church Council speaks with one voice for the congregation, a responsibility every council member takes very seriously.

Now you know more than you ever wanted to know about Church Finances!

Do YOU have an idea for a project or event and want to get it added to the Church Council meeting agenda? Awesome! Your first step is to attend a Finance Committee meeting and present your idea, along with how it will benefit the congregation or the congregation's mission. I promise we're very friendly AND we have snacks!

I don't have to words to adequately express my appreciation for the support and encouragement you all have provided during my 14 months as Treasurer. I look forward to continuing in His service along with you.

Blessings, Madeline Puccio



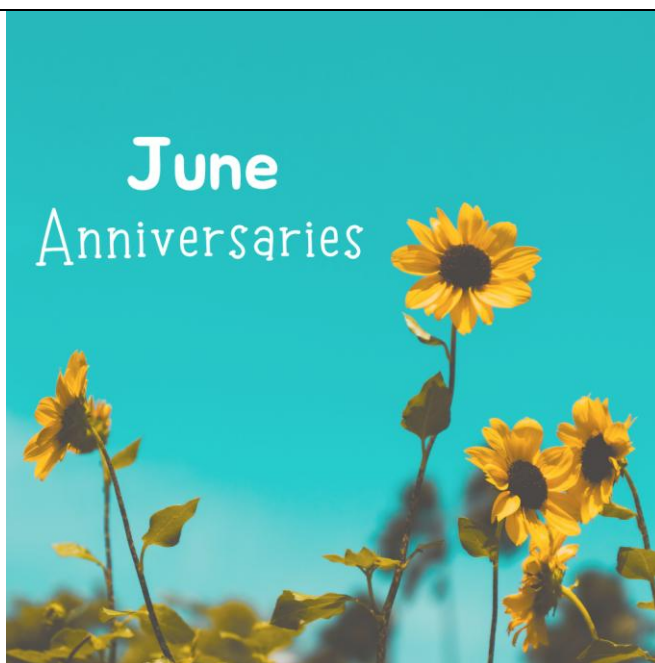
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Attendance	Greeters	Altar Guild	Sound	Live Stream/Video
7th: Connie 14th: Shirley 21st: Pat O. 28th: Kandie	7th: Bev 14th: Dave F. 21st: Walli 28th: Diane M.	7th: Kandie, Kay 14th: Kandie, Kay 21st: Mars, Debbie 28th: Mars, Debbie	7th: Madeline 14th: Madeline 21st: Mars 28th: Maddie	7th: Maddie 14th: Maddie 21st: Maddie 28th: Madeline



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

To

June 3	Judy Adams
June 5	Sandra Miller
June 6	Patrick Culp
June 6	Amy Rae Meckler
June 6	Candy Pellechio
June 6	April Quinn
June 9	Jennifer McGavran
June 10	Colleen Yarchever
June 12	Maddie Meckler
June 14	Jamie Lopez
June 15	Lesly Culp
June 17	Diane Swarts
June 29	Bryant Holmes



ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

To

June 22, 1966	Bill & Susan Brauer
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If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please notify the church office so we can add you to our list!



"Hunger Never Rests"

Hunger Never Rests!

**The Menifee Valley Community Cupboard
is in need of Canned Chili for June!**

Most of us have not experienced food insecurity, but many locally do experience it, both seniors and families. Let's remind ourselves to do all we can to help those in need here in Menifee! As you are able, be Christ in action, add the monthly item to your shopping list and add it to the collection bin by mailboxes!

FINANCIAL REPORT

April 30, 2026

1. Comments

- a. April 2026 Member giving was below budget by 17.25%.
- b. Expenses continue below budget. While we budgeted for a half-time Pastor (currently vacant), our Pastoral expenses continue to include payment for Supply Pastors only during the Call processes.
- c. While our overall budget will likely run a surplus due to the low Pastoral Expenses, **the Congregation should pay attention to Member Giving as a measure of our overall financial health.** It is possible that we would continue to see monthly surpluses even as Member Giving runs under budget. If so, this would result in an unhealthy trend that could adversely affect our Church once we fill our vacant Pastoral position.

2. Financials Review

- a. **Offering Envelopes**
 - i) **For the month**, below budget at 82.75% (\$9,150 vs \$11,058).
 - ii) **Year-to-date**, below budget at 92.21% (\$40,785 vs \$44,230).
- b. **Total Income**
 - i) **For the month**, over budget at 106.49% (\$16,478 vs \$15,474).
 - ii) **Year-to-date**, above budget at 176.40% (\$149,081* vs \$84,511).
- c. **Expenses**
 - i) **For the month**, below budget at 96.21% (\$17,316 vs \$17,998).
 - ii) **Year-to-date**, below budget at 87.04% (\$63,058 vs \$72,444).
- d. **Net Operating Income** (Total Income minus Expenses)
 - i) **For the month**, a deficit of \$837.78 vs the expected deficit of \$2,524.36.
 - ii) **Year-to-date**, a surplus of \$75,084 vs the expected surplus \$12,067.
- e. **Bank balances**
 - i) **Total Balance at Month-end** is \$740,596.81.
 - (1) Provident Bank General Checking - \$250,680.27
 - (2) US Bank General Checking – \$620.32
 - (3) US Bank Property Sale - \$246,729.66
 - (4) ELCA FCU Savings - \$33.26
 - (5) ELCA FCU Property Sale CD1 – \$87,211.56
 - (6) ELCA FCU Pastor Reserve Fund CD - \$80,613.06
 - (7) ELCA FCU Property Sale CD2 - \$64,686.38
 - (8) Thrivent Bank CD - \$10,022.30
 - ii) **Previous Month-end balance** was \$742,033.13.

*Includes gifts from Jan Williams Estate: FLC General Fund-\$66,406.48, FLC Endowment-\$66,406.47, WELCA-\$14,757; Trinity Lutheran, Hemet-\$18,000.

3. Property Sale Funds by Bank Account:

US Bank Savings Account	\$245,000.00
ELCA Federal Credit Union CD1	\$86,264.00

ELCA Federal Credit Union CD2	\$64,407.11
Total Property Sale Funds	\$395,671.11

4. Council Approved Items/Projects Completed in April:

- New Faith T-shirts** – provided 1 Faith T-shirt to each requesting congregation member.
- Motion Sensor light switches in bathrooms** –Emergency back-up lights have also been installed.
- Weed abatement** – Weed abatement and disposal of palm fronds and tree branches.
- Synod Regional Gathering** – Council paid the \$25 registration fee for 4 members who attended.

Submitted by Madeline Puccio, Treasurer

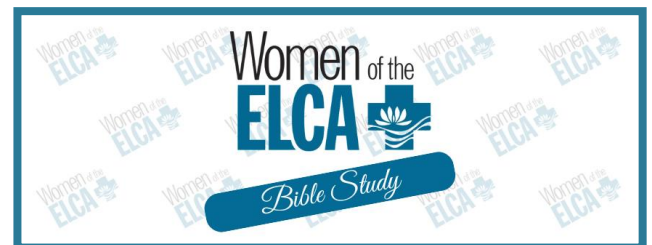


Home-baked goods are welcome for Coffee Hour!

There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen for bringing home-baked goods, as well as a sign-up sheet for coffee hour volunteers.

Come Study With Us!

*a ministry of Women of the
ELCA (WELCA)



All of us are called to be in a relationship with and know God. What have you done to understand the nature and love of God, and of His son Jesus Christ? A key way to do that is to study His Word, the Bible. Studying with other believers can be more enlightening and helpful than reading Scripture alone. Here at Faith, WELCA gives you opportunities to study God's Word in a community of believers, a safe space to question, learn and grow.

- **Mary's Circle** uses studies from Gather Magazine. The study for June, July and August is "I am Worthy", a concept many of us struggle with. The group meets on the second Wednesday of the month (**June 10th**) at 10:00am.

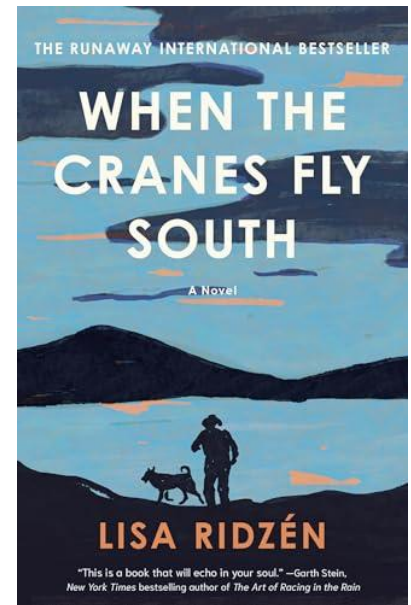
Come when you can and let's grow in faith together! All are welcome.



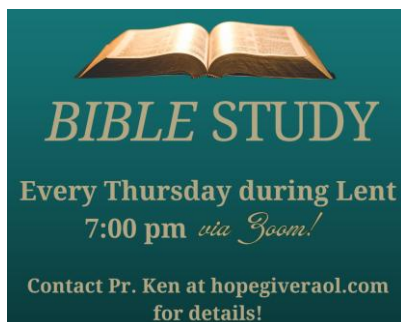
Meniffee Reads! (a book club) is reading "When Cranes Fly South" by Lisa Ridzen.

INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER
WINNER OF THE SWEDISH BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD

Bo is running out of time. Yet time is one of the few things he's got left. These days, his quiet existence is broken up only by daily visits from his home care team. Fortunately, he still has his beloved elkhound Sixten to keep him company ... though now his son, with whom Bo has had a rocky relationship, insists upon taking the dog away, claiming that Bo has grown too old to properly care for him. The threat of losing Sixten stirs up a whirlwind of emotion, leading Bo to take stock of his life, his relationships, and the imperfect way he's expressed his love over the years.



The Gospel of John



As John structures his gospel, he alternates Jesus' discourses, his "I Am" statements with Jesus' miracles. We've heard Him say that He is the Bread of Life, the Light of the World, and the Good Shepherd. What will He say next? Come, join us and find out. No previous attendance is necessary; you can join us at any time. Contact Pastor Ken at hopegiver@aol.com for log in information to this class which meets online at 7:00 P.M. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

a son's first hero
DAD
a daughter's first love

WELCA Luncheon Fundraiser to benefit the Menifee Community Cupboard



\$15 Entry fee plus a non-perishable food item for the Menifee Community Cupboard.

Featuring Rancho Rockers (Ukelele Band), and a sing-along

Wonderful Gift Baskets up for grabs!

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW! - THIS ONE MAY SELL OUT!!!

Men of Faith – HELP NEEDED!

On Sunday, June 14th WELCA needs your help moving some tables and items around in the Fellowship Hall in preparation for the WELCA Luncheon Fundraiser the following Saturday, June 20th.

Please get your coffee and a bite to eat and we will meet in the back of Fellowship Hall between 11:15 and 11:30am.

Thank for your help in supporting this event!

Gift Basket Assembly – Helpers needed!



Now that we have so many donated items, we need to assemble our gift baskets for the Luncheon Fundraiser. This will be done on **Friday, June 5th** and **Friday, June 12th** from 10-12:30pm at Candy Pellechio's house. Please see or text Candy to let her know if you can help and get the details.

Evangelism

Watch this space for some exciting news about Evangelism! Our church council has given a thumbs up to Pastor Ken's intent to establish an Evangelism Ministry Program here at Faith. He will provide Bible studies and training sessions for folks who want to learn more about how to share their faith in Jesus and what it means to say they are a Christian.

Christmas in July

May 24th to July 5th

Did you know we have a Women's Shelter in Menifee?

Your Outreach Committee is collecting gift cards (any amount) for:

- 1) Target
- 2) Walmart

Your purchased gift card(s) will be donated to The Menifee Women's Shelter residents (both women and children) to help them with groceries, clothes or other household items they may need.

Please visit the Giving Tree in the Narthex from May 24th to July 5th.

How to participate:

- 1) Choose an ornament (Walmart or Target)
- 2) Purchase the gift card (save the activation receipt)
- 3) Bring it back to church
- 4) Place in provided baggie in the basket
- 5) Choose a homemade ornament as a thank you.



Giving is Love in Action!

MENIFEE WOMEN'S SHELTER

We have an opportunity to tour the shelter. If you are interested, please sign up in the narthex and we will arrange a date for a tour. All visitors will need to sign a non-disclosure form in order to take part in the visit and tour.



This quarter (April - June) your Outreach Committee is collecting the following items for MilVet:

Tuna in bags/cans * Small bags of nuts(any kind) * Shampoo

These items will be used at MilVet's monthly packing event, where boxes are packed and sent to deployed military. Thank you for your love and support!

Donation Drop Location at Faith!

Share on Facebook and Help Spread the Word!

The next Donation Drop Off day is Saturday, **June 6th, from 9:00 – 12:00**. On the first Saturday each month we are open from 9-12 noon, and the public has access to drop off contributions. We are accepting donations of:

- ❖ **(new)** homemade blankets (for Project Linus)
- ❖ eyeglasses (for Lions Club)
- ❖ used towels and blankets (**no batting**) (for Animal Friends of the Valley)
- ❖ gently used or new shoes (for Soles4Soles)
- ❖ Non-perishable food items (for Meniffee Community Cupboard)
- ❖ 100% cotton fabric (for Snip 'N Stitch quilts made by Faith Lutheran Church)

There is a 2026 signup sheet in the Narthex for helpers. We need 2 people to be on site each Donation Day to accept donations. (it's a pretty easy job and you can sit most of the time)

Please share the information with friends and neighbors. Flyers are available in the narthex.

Project ♥ Linus



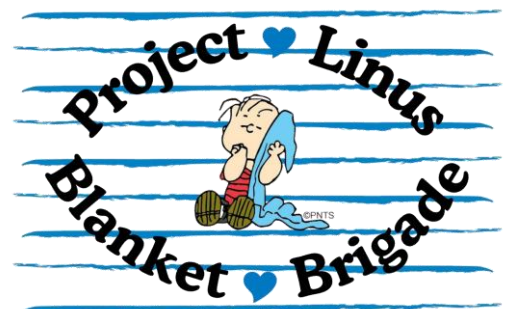
Providing
Security
Through
Blankets



SOLES4 SOULS

JOIN THE PROJECT LINUS BLANKET BRIGADE

Are you ready to be part of the Blanket brigade? The next date is Saturday, June 6th from 10:00 – 12:00. Everyone is welcome to drop by for some fellowship time with friends and help tie fleece blanket for Project Linus. This monthly event is open to the Meniffee community, so bring your coffee and some friends. Do good while spending time with friends!





**saturdays are
for bingo!**

**July 18th
October 17th
3:00 - 5:00**

**Faith Lutheran Church
28200 Portsmouth Dr.
Menifee, CA
(951) 679-1518**

BINGO

get ready to shout "bingo!"
and win some amazing prizes
at this free fun-filled event!

The poster has a blue background with a white banner at the top. It includes an illustration of a bingo card and two bingo balls (one red with the number 7, one yellow with the number 2). A starburst graphic with the word 'BINGO' and various numbers is located at the bottom right.

**WHAT'S
HAPPENING
AT FAITH?**

**thursdays are
for bingo!**

**June 4th
September 3rd
December 3rd
3:00 - 5:00**

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**Ice Cream
Social**

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

June 3rd
July 1st
August 5th
September 2nd

The poster features a yellow background with a pink and white ice cream theme. It includes illustrations of two ice cream cones, one with chocolate and one with pink ice cream. The text is centered and framed by a pink and white border.

To help you plan ahead, this is a list of the events that recur each month:

- **Snip 'N Stitch:** 1st and 3rd Thursday at 9:00
- **Worship & Music:** 1st Tuesday at 10:00
- **Hymn Planners:** 2nd Tuesday at 10:00
- **Outreach Team:** 2nd Tuesday at 2:30
- **WELCA Bible Study:** 2nd Wednesday at 10:00
- **WELCA Board:** 2nd Tuesday at 12:30
- **Menifee Reads!:** 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 and the Thursday following the 3rd Wednesday (either the 3rd or 4th Thursday) at 2:00pm
- **4+1 Group:** 3rd Tuesday at 10:00
- **Fellowship Team:** 3rd Tuesday at 2:00
- **Stewardship Team:** 3rd Friday at 10:00
- **Finance Team:** Wed. before Council meets at 11:00
- **Council:** Last Monday of each month at 11:00
- **Cheer Team:** 2nd Thursday at 4:00
- **Pr. Ken's Zoom Bible Study:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 7:00
- **Food with Friends:** 4th Wednesday at 5:00 (beginning in May)
- **Al-Anon:** Every Friday at 10:30

Fun at Faith!						
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*Happy 95th
birthday to
Arnette!*





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June 2026

July 2026

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SUNDAY

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SATURDAY

May 31

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9:30am Worship-Pr.
Rex

11:00am New Member
Class

12:30pm Grace&Mercy

10:00am Worship &
Music

6:30pm Ice Cream
Social

9:00am Snip 'N Stitch
4:00pm Bingo

10:30am Al-Anon

9:00am Donation Drop
Off

10:00am Blanket
Brigade

3:00pm America 250
Dance Party

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9:30am Worship-Pr.
Shane

11:00am New Member
Class

12:30pm Grace&Mercy

10:00am Hymn
Planners

12:30pm WELCA Board

2:30pm Outreach Team

10:00am Mary Circle
Bible Study

4:00pm Cheer/Eucharistic
Team

7:00pm Pr. Ken's Zoom
Bible Study

10:30am Al-Anon

10:00am WELCA
Decorating

10:30am Al-Anon

10:00am WELCA
Fundraiser & Lunch

12:00pm Synod
Assembly-Zoom

6:00pm Big Band
Rehearsal

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Father's Day

9:30am Worship-Pr.
Shane

12:30pm Grace&Mercy

Forecaster Deadline

6:00pm Call Committee

11:00am Finance Team

7:00pm Pr. Ken's Zoom
Bible Study

9:00am Stewardship

10:30am Al-Anon

2:00pm Movie Matinee
"The Greatest
Showman"

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New Member Sunday

9:30am Worship-Pr.
Shane

12:30pm Grace&Mercy

11:00am Council
Meeting