



# PILGRIM CHURCH



October 2019



One of the activities I spent time on during my sabbatical this summer was talking to other pastors – my friends and colleagues in the church – about how they and the folks they serve were feeling about the days ahead. The answers were **almost always the same. It’s a great challenge right now to do church as we’ve always done. We are trying to change.** We are ever hopeful about **tomorrow, because God’s work and love is so needed in the world right now.**

To live in challenging times. To live up to those times. To keep on keeping on as the Church.

As the 2020 Task Force continues our work of discerning with God and church members **and friends, just where God is calling us in the days ahead, that’s the spirit I pray all of us** might have. Realism about the changing world we face. Commitment to doing what we do best, what makes Pilgrim Church, Pilgrim: Worship, Community, Service, Christian Teaching and Welcome. (The five core values the church identified in interviews last fall.) **Excitement about how we might offer God’s love to one another and the world in new ways.** I am convinced if we stay on this path, and trust in God, we will be faithful.

Here's an update on our 2020 process and a timeline of what's ahead:

1. **We’ve gathered information, opinions and ideas from many folks and committees** and the leadership in the church, but are still ready to hear your thoughts about our work and direction. Which of our five core values is most important to you and why? Why do you claim Pilgrim as your church home? What as a church could we do better, differently?
2. We are gathering this fall, information from the communities and people we serve, **by interviewing folks who don’t go to church and community leaders, i.e. in town** government, in the schools, social service agencies, etc. We ask: what are the spiritual and social needs of the area that need to be met? What can Pilgrim Church do to help?
3. We are beginning to formulate programs and initiatives to recommend to the congregation at Annual Meeting in February of 2020. These will be circulated before then to allow everyone to think and pray on these ideas.

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BY PASTOR JOHN HUDSON

- 4. We are thinking about how to better “brand” the church: how can we clearly and creatively describe to the world who we are as God’s people and what we do as God’s people.
- 5. We are working on raising the visibility of our core values right here at church, through signage, banners, the website, etc. I will preach on the core values this fall too.

We’ve got a lot of work still to do, but most important we need all of us – the congregation – to support and be a part of our 2020 plans and hopes. We need your prayers. We need your energy and commitment. We need your openness and curiosity. We need YOU!

Exciting times. But that’s how it’s always been, always is, when God seeks to change us and the world for the better. Be in touch. You can contact any of us on the committee with your thoughts. God does have plans for us to prosper. May we trust this. May we embody this.

Peace, Pastor John

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## MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

By ANDY MEYER, MODERATOR

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A massive fire broke out in downtown Natick in the early morning hours of July 23rd. It is believed to have started in a Chinese restaurant and quickly burned through the entire block of neighboring stores.

Firefighters from 17 communities arrived to fight the flames that started at about 1:30 am. Acting Natick Fire Chief Dan Dow said it was the largest fire he had ever seen in his 24 years with the Natick Fire Department. It took more than 12 hours to finally bring the flames under control. Eventually, the decision was made to demolish all of the affected stores just to make sure that the fire was quenched.



In the aftermath, there was heartache. While no one was physically injured, and everyone was grateful for that, there were several businesses destroyed, lives turned upside down, and total uncertainty for those trying to predict their futures.

I am sure that for many, it was one of the worst days of their lives.

But even as the smoke still rose to the sky, there were ample displays of goodness and kindness for all to see. The Red Cross was on the scene to assist the multiple fire fighters. Neighbors also rushed to assist those in need. A fund was quickly established to help all displaced business owners.

In the days after the fire, a large fence was erected around the property, and many people stopped by to take a look. When I walked by, I was struck by something I found amazing. Directly next to the blackened remains of the building stood a tree. It had obviously been exposed to the fearsome flames all night and into the next morning, but there it stood. A green sign of life standing proudly, defiantly even, directly in front of the incinerated remains.

For me, the actions of the neighbors, and the presence of that tree prove to me once again that in God's world good can and often does emerge from bad. It is our job to look for the good, and to fully grasp its significance when we see it. And we thank God for all the goodness HE created and creates every day.

May God bless you,

Andy Meyer  
Moderator

## DEACONS' CORNER...

BY JIM MAY



As the days and nights get cooler and summer fades to pleasant memories of beach vacations and family barbecues, up here in New England, we trade our beach loungers in for rakes and our summer watermelons for fall pumpkins. The children are back in school and, when the calendar flips to October, they begin to anticipate Halloween with costumes, parties and, most importantly, candy! As Christians, however, Halloween means so much more.

Halloween, or All Hallows Eve, leads to the long-held tradition and celebration of All Saints or All Souls Day in the Christian Church. In the early days of the Christian Church, people would celebrate a martyr's death for Christ. As Christians were persecuted by the Roman Empire for denying their faith in Christ, the concept of holding one special day each year to commemorate and remember all the martyr's sacrifices for Christ took hold. Eventually, November 1st was the date chosen to remember all the saints of the Church, meaning all Christians, not just martyrs to God.

On all Souls Day we will read the names of those loved ones that we have lost over the past year aloud during service. This is one of the most important things we do as a congregation; remember those we have lost and reflecting on how they have, through their belief, contributions and actions, made our lives as family, friends and brothers and sisters in Christ, better and more meaningful.

**Editor's Note: Please note that last month's *Deacon's Corner* article was submitted by Susan McBride.**



*With Remembrance...*



It is with thankfulness of a life well lived we share that in August Dick Shepardson, long time resident of Sherborn and friend to many here, passed away. A Memorial Service was held on August 17th in the Chapel at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Palm Beach Gardens, FL. A memorial service will be held in Massachusetts at a later date.. If you would like to send a card to the family please contact the office at [admin@pilgrimsherborn.org](mailto:admin@pilgrimsherborn.org) for the address. You can read the obituary at <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/dick-shepardson-obituary?pid=193588993>.

## The Pilgrim Church Country Fair and Yard Sale Saturday, October 26, 9-3

### It's Not Just a Yard Sale!

Now that we have settled into having an annual Yard Sale and Country Fair, you might think - same old thing - here we go again. But this year we have a new angle on it and we're hoping that everyone will want to be a part of it.

This year, we're looking at this event as more than a fundraiser although it will support the Senior Youth Group's trip to work on an ecological project with the Monterey Bay Aquarium. It will also support a high school scholarship as well as some other projects at the church not funded in the budget. For example, last year, we purchased art for the newly decorated church office, most of which was created by our own members.

But for the first time this year, we are also seeing this as a way of showing the community what Pilgrim Church is all about: a caring community which works well together, welcome to all, which takes on projects both close to home and out in the world.

One of the ways we're going to do that is to have a welcoming tent out front. There will be people and handouts to help people learn more about Pilgrim Church. If that's something you'd like to help with, you can sign up at coffee hour.

The other new angle which started last year, is having the SYG work with the adults in charge of the event. Every committee and booth will have youth group members working side by side with the adults, getting to know them and learning about how that work gets done. That's something that, unless we are youth group mentors, most of us don't usually get to do. Several of the committee members will be having dinner with the Youth Group in October, and are sharing their excitement about the upcoming event.

So it's all hands on deck for October 26th. There are many ways to help. Bring in things for the sale (see list in program bulletin), set up before or clean up after, help serve lunch, bake something, etc. Fair/Yard Sale volunteers will be signing people up at coffee hour. See you there.



# Christian Education

By Angie Johnson, Director of Christian Education



## Plan ahead for the Children's Christmas Tableau

The Children's Christmas Tableau is a long standing and beloved tradition at Pilgrim Church. This year the tableau will occur at the close of our worship service on Sunday, December 22. Roles as stars, animals, angels, shepherds, and wise persons are **assigned by grade level. Everyone who shows up is in the cast. All that's required is to follow the person in front of you.** No lines to learn. Costumes are provided. Participation is voluntary, but we do encourage *all* children to be part of this sweet, beautiful reenactment of the nativity story.

The roles of Joseph and Mary are earned by the fifth graders who have the best church school attendance record from September through early December. If your fifth grader is interested in playing the part of Mary or Joseph, make sure that alarm gets set on Saturday night. Baby Jesus is traditionally the youngest baby in our congregation.

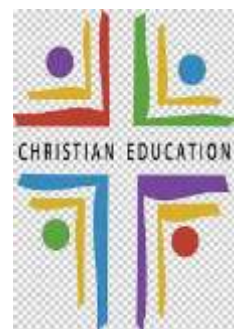
### We Still Need Teachers for the Following Sessions:

Session 2: November 3-December 22, 2019- 3 Teachers Needed

Session 3: January 5-February 23, 2020- (No February 16) 4 Teachers Needed

Session 4: March 1-April 5, 2020- 6 Teachers Needed

Session 5: April 12-June 7, 2020 (No April 12, 19)- 3 Teachers Needed



Thank you to our wonderful  
Session One volunteers



Church School teachers MariAnne Bloecher, Maddie Bloecher, Stacy and Eric Melanson, Dale Kohl, Lindsey Hancock, and Church School Friend Chuckie



# YOUTH MINISTRY

BY REV. DIANE ANDERSON

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## KINDESS CLUB

An Invitation for All 5th, 6th and 7th Graders!!

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**An Invitation for All 5th, 6th and 7th Graders!!**

Something exciting is happening at Pilgrim Church!! We are trying out a new interfaith club for all youth who are in 5th, 6th and 7th grade!!

If you are in grades 5-7 **and you want to...**

- \*Make new friends
- \*Help others
- \*Practice random acts of kindness
- \*Play fun games
- \*Put a smile on people's faces
- \*Make the world a better place

Then this club is for you!

Kindness Club will meet every other Sunday evening from 5:00 to 6:30 with dinner. Our first meeting is Sunday, September 8th in Fellowship Hall at Pilgrim Church (25 S. Main St.). We will have dinner (a requested contribution of \$5 for pizza) and ice-breaker games from 5:00 to 6:15 and then parents are invited to join us for an information session from 6:15 to 6:30. We look forward to spreading kindness throughout our community this year! We hope you'll join us! For more information or to sign-up please contact Pastor Diane at [pastordiane@pilgrimchurch.org](mailto:pastordiane@pilgrimchurch.org).



# YOUTH MINISTRY

BY REV. DIANE ANDERSON

## Senior Youth Group

It was so exciting to see 34 high schoolers show up for our Welcome Back Senior Youth Group Meeting! What a fantastic group! During our first meeting we did an ice breaker activity, made a group covenant and had an information session with parents to go over this year's program.

During our most recent meeting we focused on the topic of climate change. With the Global Climate Strike coming up and given that as people of faith we are called to show love for God's creation, it was good to spend some time reflecting on climate change. We had small group discussions and then circulated to various prayer stations related to climate change.

Our upcoming meeting is a lay leader training workshop. Members of SYG serve as lay leaders on the second Sunday of every month so it is important for them to practice reading scripture from the lectern! SYG is blessed to have our three wonderful advisors, Kathy Somerville, Lisa Larsen and Kirk Dragsbaek, onboard again!! We are off to a great start!





## MUSIC EDITORIAL by David Tiedman



Last Spring, while clearing and cleaning out my office desk in preparation for getting a different one, I checked out a folder that had 'historical' things in it. Amongst the treasures was a Chancel Choir list from February 1993 – 26 years ago. The list contained 29 names. Of those 29, nine I know of have died. Of that list, four are still active in the choir. The rest have moved away (some moved before they died).

Pilgrim Church always has been a somewhat transient church. Certainly, in the years I've been here there has been a lot of coming and going; people get transferred into the area by their company, they join a church for a few years and then they are transferred out to another part of the country. It's the nature of this church –has been for a long while and probably always will be.

So, what does that do to our Chancel Choir membership? Our present choir list contains 16 members; of which one is paid, basically, half of what it was 26 years ago. Our church membership has stayed pretty much the same – in the 350 to 400 range – yet, the choir has dropped by half. These 15 are very loyal; if they are in town, they are at rehearsal and the Sunday service. But, it has gotten to the point that if anyone is going to be gone for a Sunday, their section suffers unduly because there are so few in it. For a church of Pilgrim's size, it is not unreasonable to expect eight to ten percent of the congregation to be active in the choir. We were slightly under 10 percent 26 years ago; we're not anywhere near that now.

While it's very gratifying to hear comments like "the choir sounded wonderful today"; "I loved the anthem you did today", etc., unless things improve soon, there will be no choir. Aging has taken several members out in recent years; they just can't do it anymore. And, as mentioned above, others have moved away or died. Very few of the present members are under the age of 65.

When a new music director is hired, s/he is given a list of responsibilities for the position – a job description. It can include directing the various choirs, playing the organ/piano for services, maintaining the music libraries, keeping instruments in proper working order, presenting 'special' music periodically with orchestra, etc. What doesn't happen and needs to, is that the prospective candidate must hand the congregation a 'job description'. If you, the congregation, want 'special' music, weekly anthems, etc., YOU need to provide the personnel to do this. It doesn't happen automatically – it takes a commitment from members of the congregation. No Fairy Godmother is going to do it for you.

Is it a commitment? Of course it is. Anything worth having/doing usually involves a commitment, **there's no getting around it**. What's the time like, spent in rehearsals and singing at services? Ask the choir members. While I try to make rehearsals 'fun' and meaningful, you'll have to ask those who are there what they think. The point is, *there are any number of people in the pews* who could very easily give up the pleasures of Thursday night television, come to rehearsal and interact with a very special bunch of people. Many of you sang in high school and college choruses and glee clubs, so you've had experience.

You're needed – NOW.



STEWARDSHIP BY PETER LIFFITON

## The Stewardship Campaign It is changing! It is the same! It is some of each.

The Stewardship Committee is gearing up for the Stewardship Campaign for 2020.

### The Campaign will have some changes.

- ❖ **The biggest change** is that we are getting underway earlier than ever before. Stewardship Sunday, the day we start the campaign asking for your pledge in the offering plate, will be on October 20<sup>th</sup>, almost a month earlier than in the past. “Why?” you might ask. The answer is, so we don’t run so quickly into Thanksgiving and Advent when most folk’s thoughts are not likely to be on pledging.
- ❖ **In place of** personal testimonials on Sundays leading up to Pledge Sunday, we will be asking three different church committees to speak to how they spend our resources and how that spending connects to the 20/20 Committee focus on “Welcome”, “Community”, “Service”, “Christian Education”, and “Worship.”
- ❖ **With the help** of church staff, we will introduce “on-line” donations on the revised Church Website as a new way to fulfill your pledge. We might even have “on-line” pledging, but that is proving a bit harder to do. Stay tuned.
- ❖ **The “Giving Chart”** of years past will grow up. Plans are being made following Pledge Sunday to have a large poster in the vestibule every Sunday with different colored “bricks”, each representing a pledge that has been made. Yes, it will also be in the bulletin most every Sunday until January, and in the monthly newsletter articles. But it will look a bit different.

### The Campaign will remain the same.

- ❖ **The Campaign** will ask, and has always asked, that you give thoughtful consideration to how you want to support Pilgrim Church and all its various activities, its local and worldwide missions.
- ❖ **The Campaign** will ask that you make a pledge, tell us in advance, how you will financially support the church over the coming year so that we can plan and continue to operate in a fiscally responsible manner.
- ❖ **The Campaign** will ask you to pledge generously so that Pilgrim Church may remain a vibrant, dynamic, and engaging church serving our congregation, the local community, and the world.
- ❖ **The Campaign** will end when the January 2020 Parish Board meeting votes to recommend a balanced budget, based on your pledges, to be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting in February.

**The Stewardship Committee:** Peter Liffiton, chair - Matt Beaudett –  
Kevin Flynn – Carole Marple – Steve Solomon – Kitty Sturgis

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE BY MATT BEAUDET

At Pilgrim Church, we value being a welcoming, Christian community, dedicated to finding our purpose, feeding our souls, and serving the world.

This is the statement of our shared Pilgrim Church values; values that we, together as one Pilgrim Church, have declared are what make us who we are as a community of God. We bring these values to practice in the world in myriad ways: mission trips, Sunday school, music, youth programs, outreach, Sunday worship, and many many more. We are incredibly lucky and blessed to be able to walk this path together through Pilgrim Church.

**There is a fact, however, that we can't ignore. To put action to our shared values of Community, Service, Christian Teaching, Worship, and Welcome takes resources; a lot of resources. Which is why, in the coming weeks you will be receiving a request from Pilgrim Church to participate thoughtfully, lovingly, and generously in this year's Stewardship Campaign. Letters and pledge cards will be arriving in your mailboxes around the second week of October. Between now and then, I challenge all of us to think and pray on the great gift we have all been given through Pilgrim Church as we each consider our personal giving plan. When Stewardship Sunday takes place on October 20th each of us will then be ready to commit generously to the support of bringing our Pilgrim values to the world.**

This is my first year as a member of the Stewardship Committee and through our discussions and planning, I have had the fortune of being reminded of all that we do as a church. In the coming weeks we will hear from members of our Pilgrim family so that we all can be reminded of all that Pilgrim Church does in service of our shared values both within our own walls and in the wider community. I am excited about the good work we will do over the next few weeks leading up to Stewardship Sunday, and I hope that you too are excited about the opportunity to bring our collective resources into the service of our welcoming, Christian community.



# MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES

## New Program Year at Pilgrim Church!



Are you new to Pilgrim Church? Would like a name tag in the foyer? Are you looking to connect to programs, committees, ministries or volunteer opportunities through out the year here at Pilgrim Church or in the wider community? Just let me know and I'll help you get started! Please reach out! If you are new, or not-so-new, to Pilgrim and are looking for a connection I'd love to hear from you! Say hi, and welcome!

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## re-Fresh our Family Promise Furnishings!

During coffee hour on November 3rd, you will be invited to help re-Fresh our Family Promise Furnishings! Our Family Promise guests are in need of some fresh bedding, simple bedside tables & lamps, and small room air conditioners, all to make their stay with us as comfortable as possible. We will invite you to make a donation from \$20 to \$50 , which will equal a set of twin sheets, blanket and mattress cover or a cozy comforter, a pair of bedside lamps, or a pair of simple bedside tables - and we will do the shopping to replace worn out items. In addition, because we regularly host guests during the warm summer months (and the classrooms do not have air conditioning), we are seeking donations for the purchase of several portable air conditioning units - reach out if you would like to help with these larger donations.

Please look for volunteers at the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall following the service on November 3 - Family Promise Awareness Sunday!



## OCTOBER CLOTHING DRIVE

**It's that time again!** The Missions Committee will be collecting clothes for local organizations during the last two weeks of October. Please think of us when you do your fall cleaning! We need all sizes of *practical, everyday* clothing for men, women, and children; there is always a special need for winter coats and infant clothing. We can accept both summer and winter

**clothing. We will also be collecting "interview" clothing for Solutions at Work in Cambridge.**

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE CLEAN and IN EXCELLENT CONDITION. We cannot donate anything that is ripped or stained! If you have pre-sorted the clothing, please label the outside of the bag so that the awesome Senior Youth Group students do not have to re-sort.

Please leave your donations in the left vestibule closet if possible. E-mail Kathy Somerville at [kbsomerville@comcast.net](mailto:kbsomerville@comcast.net) with any questions. Thank you very much.



### 2019

- September 25 - Salvation Army/United Way, Framingham
- September 29 - Pine Street Inn, Boston
- December 8 - Miracle on 25 S Main Street, Pilgrim Church

### 2020

- January 12-25 - Family Promise, Pilgrim Church
- March 25 - Salvation Army/United Way, Framingham
- June 24 - Salvation Army/United Way, Framingham
- July 5-11 - Family Promise, Pilgrim Church
- September 23 - Salvation Army/United Way, Framingham

\*Dates may be subject to change, so always please keep an eye out for notices as they near to sign up.



**LOOKING FORWARD  
TO LENDING A  
HAND?**



Thank you to all who contributed to the recent Diaper Drive. With your help we were able to give dozens of fresh diapers to help support the many families in need in the Metrowest area. Our efforts in this diaper drive will go a long way to ensure that these babies get a healthier start in life.



## Information Meeting for Oberammergau Passion Play Trip



The trip to Southern Germany and Northeastern Italy planned around the Oberammergau Passion Play is fast approaching. Although sponsored by Pilgrim Church, anyone may register for the trip, scheduled for May 13-24, 2020; the cost is \$4998 per person, double occupancy. A Land-Only price and single-supplement price are available. The price includes airfare, hotels, transportation, guides, entrance fees, all breakfasts, three dinners, ticket for the Passion Play, and all tips, including bus drivers and the tour guide. Not included are lunches, remaining **dinners and whatever trinkets and souvenirs you can't live with-**

out. The tour leaves Boston on May 13 for Munich, Germany. The performance date for the Passion Play is Sunday, May 17. The return flight will be from Milan, Italy, to Boston. Brochures are available in the church narthex and the church office, and for further information, please contact David Tiedman, tour coordinator, at 508-655-1667.

An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, September 29, at 7 PM at the church. At that time the itinerary will be outlined, questions discussed, etc. An initial payment of \$1800 per person is due by November 15. After that, late registrants may be subject to a higher price. Travel insurance is available. Should you wish to, you can plan a pre- or post- trip extension on your own. You can notify the tour company in writing and they will schedule your airline tickets accordingly. There may be an extra fee for this.

The Oberammergau Passion Play originated in the 17th century as a pledge to God by the people of Oberammergau to perform the Passion every 10 years if they could be spared from the plague. With few interruptions – 1940, for example, because of WW II – it has been done every 10 years since then. Only residents of Oberammergau can be in the play; rehearsals begin at least a year in advance, and it is an honor to be in the cast. From May to October about 100 performances are done and performances are generally sold out, as the play has become world-famous. **Passion Plays recount the final week of Christ's** life on earth – Holy Week. In the United States, there is one done in the Black Hills of South Dakota every summer that has become well known; there may be others around the country. None have attained the fame of the Oberammergau play.



## The Miracle Kitchen in Framingham



“God bless.” Words we hear often enough inside the walls of Pilgrim Church but two words that were more poignant and profound when uttered by a guest at the United Way’s Miracle Kitchen to one of our Pilgrim Church volunteers. “God bless”. Thank you for the meal. Thank you for the service. Thank you for the dignity and respect served those struggling and in need of the support of their community.

Wednesday September 25th, ten volunteers from Pilgrim served approximately 150 guests a full dinner and provided those who wanted it a second meal to take with them for the next day. Volunteers plated, scooped, served, and cleared. But they also smiled, touched, respected, honored and offered kindness.

Pilgrim Church volunteers included Chuckie Blaney, Faith Carlson, Serena Hall, Dan Marple, Susan and Bob McBride, Rodger and Kay Payne, Rosemary Sortor, Charlie Williams and Betsy Rigby.

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me  
Matthew 25:35

The Miracle Kitchen in Framingham and supported by the United Way is an evolution from the former Salvation Army dinner that the Pilgrim Church community supported for many years. We no longer prepare the meals; the food is made on site by Vicky who cooks at least 200 meals five days a week. But one Wednesday evening, every three months, Pilgrim Church volunteers return to plate the three courses (salad, entrée and dessert), serve and clear. Volunteers greet and chat. We smile and nod. And we say “God bless” back.



## A Message from the ONA Task Force

Friday Oct. 11 is National Coming Out Day – a day to celebrate LGBTQ people coming “out of the closet” and acknowledging their sexual identity.

If someone comes out to you, he/she/they trust you and value that you care about them.

Stay calm and listen closely.

Offer loving support and affirmation even if you need more time to process all the information.

Treat the news with respect and confidentiality.

For more information about LGBTQ issues watch the “Power Of Our Pride” Presidential Town Hall on CNN on Thurs. eve Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>



Today < > October 2019		Month				
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10am Sunday Worship</li> <li>3-4:50pm Pine Street Inn</li> <li>6:45pm Senior Youth Group</li> <li>7pm Oberammergau Passion Play T1</li> </ul>	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30am COA Lifetime Learning clas</li> <li>7pm Stewardship Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>Dec 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10am Staff Meeting</li> <li>7pm Boy Scouts</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8pm AA Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12pm COA Senior Care</li> <li>6:15pm Handbells 1bd</li> <li>7:30pm Chancel Choir</li> </ul>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>
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