



# Trinity Gandle

Weekly Newsletter

May 3, 2026

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

- ◆ 7-8:30pm [PRAIRIE WIND FLUTE CHOIR](#) Rehearsal in the Sanctuary.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 30

- ◆ [NO BALANCE & FALL PREVENTION CLASS](#) this week. Join us on May 7.
- ◆ NO [TRINITY RINGERS HANDBELL CHOIR](#) or [HERITAGE CHOIR](#) rehearsal this week.
- ◆ 6:30pm [JUMP NEHEMIAH ACTION ASSEMBLY](#) in Lee Arena.

## FRIDAY, MAY 1

- ◆ Trinity's book group, [PAGE TURNERS](#), invite you to join us as we read : *How We Learn to Be Brave* by Mariann Edgar Budde. "Bishop Budde invites us to look again at some of life's most important decision points with the warmth of a friend and the clarity of a sage. In the complexity and velocity that is life and leadership this offering will anchor and sustain the individual and organization."—**The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright Bishop of Atlanta** Join us at 1:30 on Friday, 5/1, at Café Quetzal for interesting discussion, fellowship and refreshments. **Questions?** Contact Carol Thomas, 785-357-1472 or [ctmshm@gmail.com](mailto:ctmshm@gmail.com).
- ◆ Fridays & Tuesdays from 4-5pm, Trinity has FREE [AEROBICS CLASSES](#) in Fellowship Hall. For fun, low impact exercise, join us! Contact Martha Huizenga.
- ◆ [MOMENTUM GROUP](#) goes to Washburn U's Falley Field at 5pm to watch Washburn play the Pittsburg State Gorillas. GO ICHABODS!

## SUNDAY, MAY 3 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

- ◆ 9:20 a.m. - Nursery Opens for Sunday School
- ◆ 9:30 a.m. - **Sunday School** classes for ALL AGES
- ◆ 10:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**
  - [GRADUATION SUNDAY](#)
  - [THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION](#)
- ◆ Sermon: "Finding Our Way" by Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan
- ◆ Scripture: 1Peter, Chapter 2 CEB; John 14:1-14 CEB
- ◆ Liturgists: Youth
- ◆ Deacon of the Week: Audrey Barnard
- ◆ 11:30 a.m. Immediately after worship:
  - grab a cookie and get in line to **get your picture taken** for the new **TRINITY PHOTO DIRECTORY**. It's the **LAST CHANCE**.
  - **If you plan to submit your photo**, it needs to be submitted digitally **by May 3rd** to [Photos@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:Photos@trinitypresbyterian.net).

## MONDAY, MAY 4

- ◆ The [ROMANS BIBLE STUDY](#) will meet on Monday at 11:00 in the Parlor. We will have a brief review of last week and begin to look at Romans 1: 1-17. **Hope to see you there.**
- ◆ Contact Carol Shannahan with questions.
- ◆ [STICKS 'N STRING GROUP](#) invites you to join them at 1:30pm in the church parlor to fellowship and knit or crochet or work on other projects together. We'd love to see what your working on!

## TUESDAY, MAY 5

- ◆ Join us for [TUESDAYS WITH THE WORD](#) at Café Quetzal each week from 9-10am. Feel free to come and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and a delicious breakfast if you wish.
- ◆ Join us at 10a in Fellowship Hall for [LINE DANCE lessons](#). It's great exercise and fun at the same time!
- ◆ Tuesdays & Fridays from 4-5pm, Trinity has FREE [AEROBICS CLASSES](#) in Fellowship Hall. For fun, low impact exercise, join us! Contact Martha Huizenga
- ◆ Join us Tuesdays for [F.A.C.T.S.](#) 6pm in the Parlor for crafting with fellowship. Bring your art supplies and projects. Contact Meredith Snapp at 785-845-2760 or [mersnepp@gmail.com](mailto:mersnepp@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

- ◆ [MARY MARTHA CIRCLE](#) meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Anyone is welcome to attend. Contact Susan Bozeman with questions.
- ◆ [ESTHER CIRCLE](#) will gather in the Parlor at 6:45pm The lesson starts at 7 p.m. Contact Peggy McAdoo with questions.

## MONDAY, MAY 10



## MONDAY, MAY 11

- ◆ **HARVESTERS** food distribution is scheduled for 12 noon in the Trinity church parking lot. It is handed out on a first come, first served basis. Be sure to arrive early to get in the car line. To volunteer, contact Stan McAdoo.

# LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY!

The Visioning and Stewardship Committees are partnering to create a Photo Directory for Trinity and **we want everyone to be included!**

There are two options for you to choose from:

- 1) A professional photographer will be available at Trinity to take your picture immediately after worship on **Sunday, May 3rd**.
- 2) You can **also email your favorite digital photo by May 3rd**. If you submit a digital image, please be sure there is adequate background to allow it to be resized for the directory.

If you have any questions, please contact Randall Scott or Connie Hubbell.



Landscape Orientation



3:2 Ratio



Compact Grouping



Lots of Background for Cropping

## Trinity Photo Directory FAQ's

- ☺ **Am I required to include my picture in the Photo Directory?**
  - ★No, but we would like to include everyone and will miss you if you decide not to be included.
- ☺ **Can I submit a digital photo I already have and like?**
  - ★Yes. Digital photos must clearly show your head and shoulders, be a landscape orientation and allow adequate background for sizing. **If you submit a digital photo, please email to [Photos@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:Photos@trinitypresbyterian.net) by May 3rd.**
- ☺ **LAST CHANCE. Photos will be taken beginning immediately after worship on May 3. Do I need to sign up for a specific time?**
  - ★No. Once you check in with Susan Bozeman, you will quickly move through the line to the photographer. There will be places to sit and refreshments available while you wait.
- ☺ **Am I required to dress in any certain way?**
  - No. The way you normally dress for worship is great.
- ☺ **How will the Photo Directory be distributed?**
  - ★The Photo Directory will be emailed to the congregation. Additionally, a limited number of printed copies will be available.
- ☺ **Will the professional photographer attempt to sell me photos?**
  - ★No
- ☺ **Will my photo taken by the professional photographer be available to me?**
  - ★Yes, once the Photo Directory is completed.
- ☺ **If I would like to have additional photos taken by the professional photographer, what is the process?**
  - ★We will have Jeremy Wangler's contact information available for you to take.

## It's Nehemiah Time- April 30!

Trinity's justice ministry, Topeka JUMP, will have its **Nehemiah Action Assembly Thursday, April 30 at 6:30 at Washburn University's Lee Arena.** At the assembly 36 congregations will come together to speak with one voice for those who have no voice, the most vulnerable in our community. The issues of affordable housing, homelessness, food insecurity and violence reduction are all issues of concern. At the Nehemiah Action, JUMP will present decision makers with solutions to these most pressing problems and ask them to use the power they have to act in support. Everyone is encouraged put their faith into action by attending the Nehemiah Assembly. A car pool from church will be leaving at 5:45 for anyone who wants to go with others.



**“Do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God.” Micah 6: 8**

## CELEBRATE TRINITY'S GRADUATES MAY 3RD

Trinity is proud of our graduates and will recognize them during worship on May 3. A card basket will be available.

### GRADUATES ARE:

#### College

Alex Lathrop, Ben Lathrop,  
Catherine Ndungu,  
Tate Schoffelman

#### High School

Jacob Barnard, Carter Lynch,  
Lyric Rogers

#### Eighth Grade Promotion

Kenadee Booher, Julianna Montoya

Join the MoMENTum group on Friday May 1st at 5pm at Falley Field where we will watch the Washburn Ichabods take on the Pittsburg State Gorillas.

Food and beverages are available for purchase, but the game is FREE!

*Please RSVP to Jon Farrell-Higgins by April 30th.*

## Batter Up!

Mo**MENT**um baseball game

FREE Admission

Great Seats

Total Fun

Meet us at Falley Field, Friday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 5pm. Food and beverages available for purchase.

RSVP Jon Farrell-Higgins by April 30th

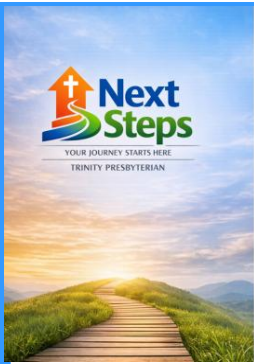


Friday May 1<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm

Falley Field





At Trinity, we believe we aren't just a crowd; we're a family on a mission to Glorify God, Share Christ's Love and Make New Disciples.

As you've been visiting, in person or online, we hope you've felt that sense of purpose. We are reaching out because we'd love for you to consider moving from the sidelines to the front lines by becoming a member.

Membership isn't about a list of rules; it's about partnership. It's saying, "I'm in, and I want to help this community flourish."

Our next Membership Class is called "Next Steps", and we can schedule this as your calendar allows. We'll cover our core beliefs, our vision for the future, and how your unique gifts fit into the picture.

Can we schedule a seat for you? To learn more about Next Steps, please reach out to Pastor Mere or Michael Langfitt [mlangf2300@Gmail.com]

You are INVITED to attend a **Next Steps** exploration time.

Right here at Trinity on a date that works for you.

Hear the "why" behind what we do.

Ask the hard questions.

Meet with some of our leadership team.



## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY SCHOOL AT TRINITY

**April 12 through May 10 (5 sessions)**

**Eternity is Now in Session by John Ortberg**

A radical rediscovery of what Jesus really taught about salvation, eternity, and getting to the good place. The video is filmed on location in Israel.

The book/video explores Jesus' definition of eternal life and what it really means to be a disciple of Christ.

**May 17**

**Preview of Upcoming Curriculum for the Adult Class**

**June 7 through June 28**

*(Note change of start date from previous notices)*

**Art and the Bible with Jurahee Shriver**

Enjoy Jurahee's knowledge of how art, history, and the Bible come together.

**July 12 through August 30**

**The Story of God with Morgan Freeman**

This is a National Geographic documentary series where Morgan Freeman explores the concept of God, religion, and spirituality across cultures. He travels worldwide to sacred sights and to interview scholars and religious leaders. Season 2

Join us on Sundays in Fellowship Hall at 9:15 am for coffee and fellowship.  
Class begins at 9:30 am.

Adult Sunday School will not meet on May 24 or 31 and July 5.

**TRINITY  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2026**

# **DAY CAMP**

**Monday, July 20 - Friday, July 24**

**Register your children today**

**at [heartlandcamps.org/trinity-topeka](http://heartlandcamps.org/trinity-topeka)**

**For Ages:** completed Kindergarten - completed 6th grade  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.      **Price:** \$75 per Camper

**---Space limited---**

**EVERY DAY, campers *must* bring the following items to camp:**

- **Closed toe shoes** (*wear daily* except for water activities)
- Sack lunch (*no refrigeration available*)
- Water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Swimsuit
- Water shoes (*for water activities*)
- Towel

**PLEASE LABEL ALL CLOTHING AND BELONGINGS WITH THE CAMPER'S NAME.**

4746 SW 21st Street, Topeka, Ks 66604  
272-2620

[office@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:office@trinitypresbyterian.net)





**PNKS & PSK YOUTH TRIP**

**MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL**

**WHEN: JUNE 20-26, 2026**

**WHERE: GHOST RANCH, NM  
TOTAL COST: \$500**

**SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE!  
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!**

## **Youth Mission Trip to Ghost Ranch.**

Check out the flier and QR  
code for information and to  
register.

Please contact Karen  
Meenen with questions.



# Finance Matters

## WAYS TO GIVE

### Finance Matters – Ways to Give

Trinity is extremely grateful to members and friends who contribute financial gifts as a response to God's boundless grace and generosity.

#### By Personal Check:

Mail to: **Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66604**

Please remember to use the "Memo" line on your checks so your financial gifts will be directed to the correct Donations Account – for example, "Pledge." Checks are separated from envelopes, and a blank Memo line can create confusion in the counting process. Please assist our Accounting company partners!



#### Online-Bank Bill Payment:

A service offered by most financial institutions, which creates automatic recurring or one-time gift payments electronically from your bank account. Please use the Memo option for the check, designate Trinity as the payee, and have payments sent to:

**Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66604**



#### Online-Trinity Giving:

You can find this option on Trinity's website at [www.trinitypresbyterian.net](http://www.trinitypresbyterian.net)

Select the "Give" tab in the upper right portion of the screen and follow the instructions. Special Offerings may also be designated.

NOTE: This form of giving is especially *secure*. It will not be lost in the mail and cannot be stolen from the outdoor mailbox!

Another way to give via the website:

Scan the QR code image on this page with your smartphone.

Open the link that pops up, and you will be taken directly to the Online Giving page for Trinity.

Select the fund (s), and you can easily make your financial gift.



#### Cash:

Cash offerings should only be given in a worship service – do not mail! Please consider using a Pew envelope and label it with your name, if desired. If you do not indicate a fund, it will be recorded as a gift for the General Operating Budget.



#### Required Minimum Distributions:

Are you considering donating all or part of your RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) as a Qualified Charitable Distribution to Trinity? If so, please notify Dennis Williams (785-640-6373 or [dwilliams58@cox.net](mailto:dwilliams58@cox.net)) of your intention, as well as instruct your financial institution or advisor to indicate the ownership of this type of gift on the accompanying documentation. This identity information, such as your name and directions for your gift, greatly assists our Accounting partners with the correct and timely recording of your gift.



**Gentle Reminder:** Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the **Per Capita** fund. Trinity makes this payment to Presbytery on behalf of the membership of Trinity. We ask for a contribution of **\$40 per member**. Any difference in the funds collected and when the payment is due is made up from the General Operating Budget.



#### ALL Financial Gifts:

THANK YOU for your financial support! Your generous contributions are received with much appreciation and help us grow our ministry and mission.



# Joys and Concerns

## Prayers Families

### Persons from Directory Rotation

Kaden Stevenson  
Kelly Stevenson  
Trent Stevenson  
Nuevo Calvario, Los Talpetates & Rio Los Bueyes, El Salvador

### Prayer Focus Church of the Presbytery of Northern Ks:

First Presbyterian - Cottonwood Falls

### Prayers for the Ecumenical Church

Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan

### Joys:

### Sympathies:

### New Concerns:

### Ongoing Concerns:

Anton Ahrens  
Art and Carrie Lancaster  
Bill Corbett  
Bob Sidlinger  
Brad Stipcak  
Carolyn Burns  
Cathy Armstrong  
Cheryl Lindstrom  
Christa Sloop  
Chuck Pullen  
David Ross  
David Shriver  
Deanine Rogers  
Don Burns  
Eric Greer  
Glenn Jagodzinske  
Jessie Zimmerman  
Jim Jenkins  
Joann Hurt  
Joanne Young  
Judy and Carl Rundell  
Marilyn Leinacker

Marilyn Watt  
Martha Benignus  
Melissa Ansberry  
Rose Fritz  
Sheryl Daniels  
Shirley Linn  
Steve & Rose Timm's son  
Tim Tauer  
Wendy Pullen  
Our troops overseas  
Becky Jones' friends, Janice Pechacek and Cheryl Arney; Brad Stipcak's mother, Bev Stipcak; Carolyn Burns' sister-in-law, Carol Jessop; Cathy Armstrong's & Vicky Walters' friend, Sandy Boyd; Deanine Rogers' friends, Denise & Martha Lacy; Former Trinity Pastor, Walt Miller's oldest daughter, Lynn Miller; Heidi Jo Kincade's mother, Marjorie Kincade; Iris Neuenswander's long-time friend, Reg Redding; Jaron Marcus' father, and mother, Sherilyn; Joann Young's son, Greg Young; Kay Howard's brother, Lloyd Parrish; Lettie Karlson's friend, K.C; Marilyn Leinacker's daughter, Lisa Seby; Martha Huizenga's sister, Debbie Cook & brother-in-law, Joe Cook; Mary Nestor's sister, Kay Mangone; Ruth & Jim Jenkins' great-nephew, Brian Dixon, friend, Leone, nephew, Ethan; neighbor, Judy, friend, Pam Moore, (Jim's) great-great niece; sister, Mryna Tweet & her niece, Sue, & sisters, Betty and Donna; Ryan Kemp-Pappan's mother, Liz Lewis; Sherry Lundry's husband, Dave; Zimmerman family

If you have a new concern, joy or sympathy, please contact Pastor Mere or the church office at 785-272-2620.

If you are calling with information regarding someone else, please be sure to ask for permission from them to be put on our prayers and concerns list.

# CONGRATULATIONS!

60

YEARS



**Doorstep's NeighborFest**  
60 Years of Service

Neighbor Helping Neighbor  
WALK/5K RUN

**\$30 Entry Fee**

**JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

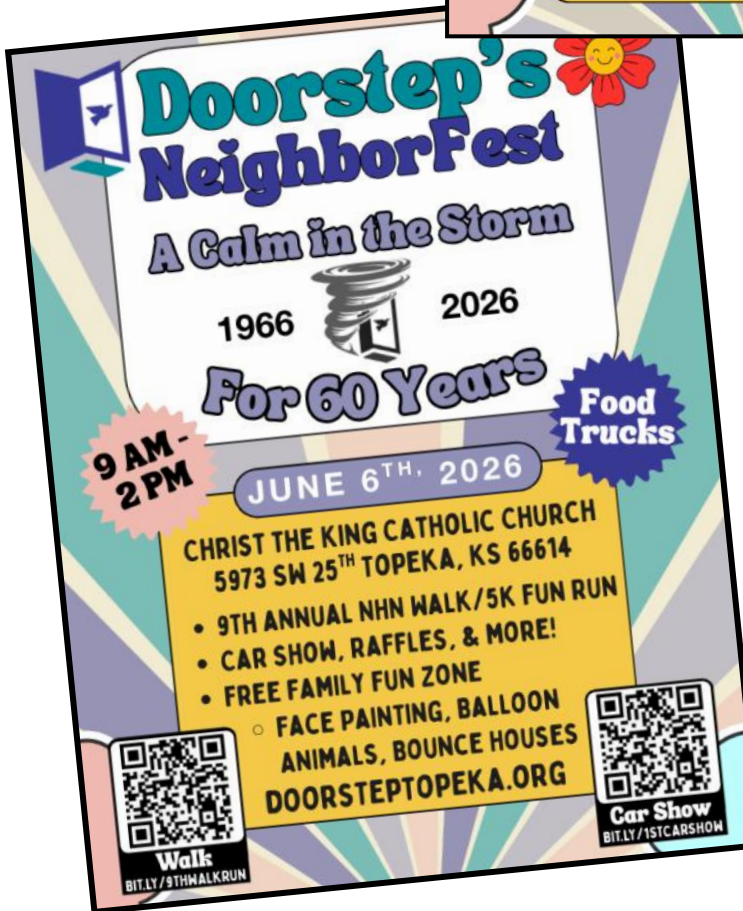
**CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
5973 SW 25<sup>TH</sup> TOPEKA, KS 66614  
9A - 2P

- 8AM REGISTRATION, 9AM START
- CELEBRITY STARTER
  - MELISSA BRUNNER
- STICK AROUND FOR NEIGHBORFEST
  - CAR SHOW, KIDS ZONE, AND MORE!


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**Doorstep's NeighborFest**  
A Calm in the Storm

1966  2026  
**For 60 Years**


**9 AM - 2 PM**

**JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**


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- 9TH ANNUAL NHN WALK/5K FUN RUN
- CAR SHOW, RAFFLES, & MORE!
- FREE FAMILY FUN ZONE
  - FACE PAINTING, BALLOON ANIMALS, BOUNCE HOUSES

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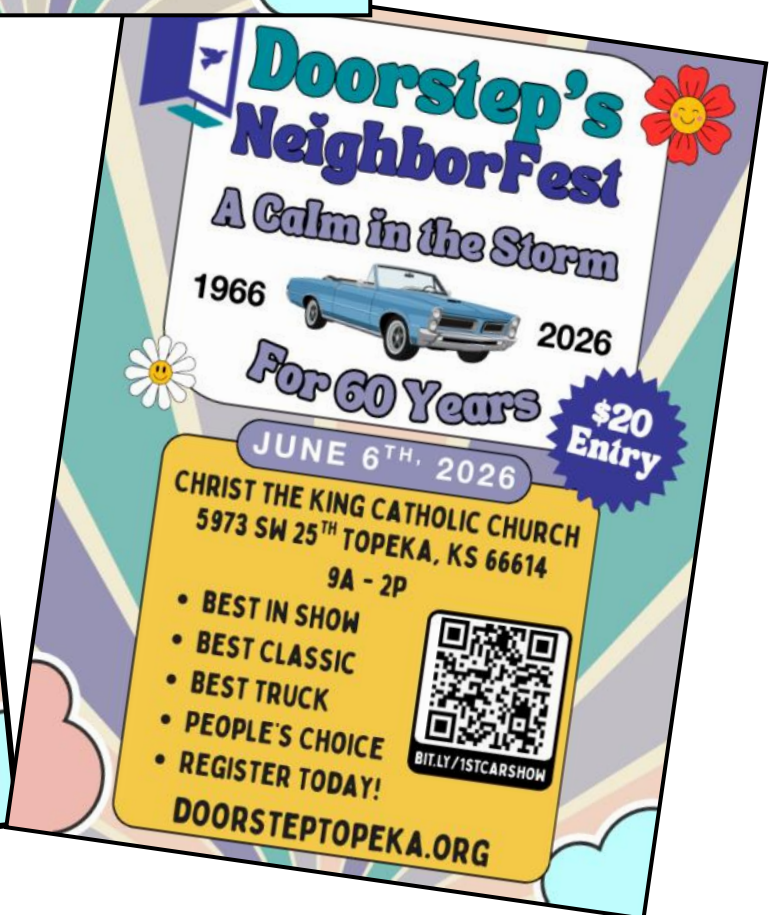


Walk  
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Car Show  
BIT.LY/1STCARSHOW

**Food Trucks**



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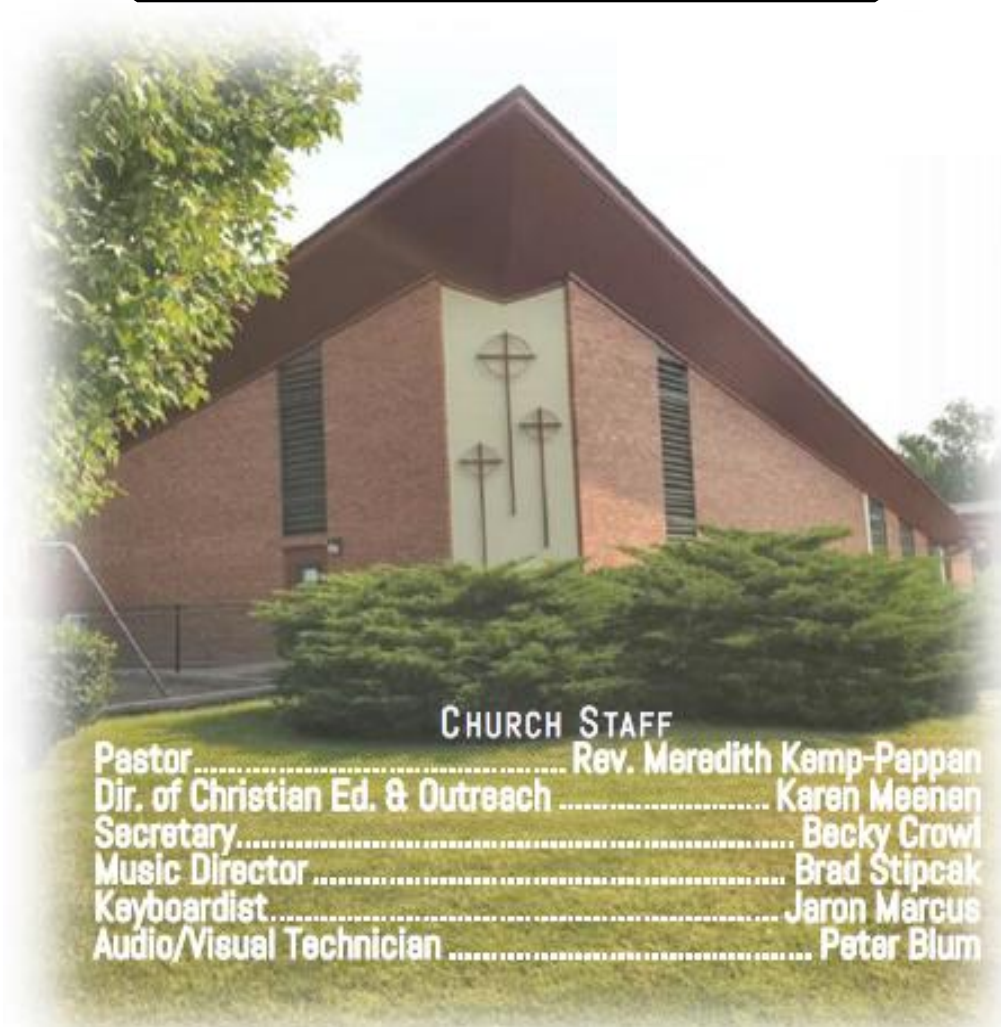
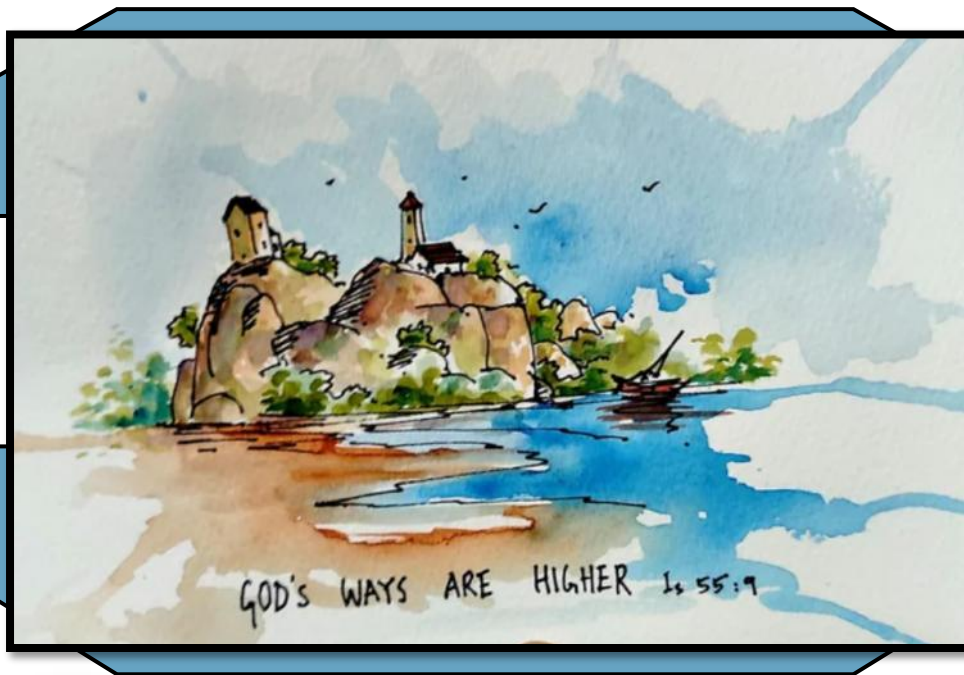
- BEST IN SHOW
- BEST CLASSIC
- BEST TRUCK
- PEOPLE'S CHOICE
- REGISTER TODAY!

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BIT.LY/1STCARSHOW

**\$20 Entry**



**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor.....	Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan
Dir. of Christian Ed. & Outreach .....	Karen Meenen
Secretary.....	Becky Crowl
Music Director .....	Brad Stipcak
Keyboardist.....	Jaron Marcus
Audio/Visual Technician .....	Peter Blum

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