

THE BELL



May
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UPCOMING WORSHIP

May 5

"Liberated"

John 21:9-19

May 12

"Calmed"

Matthew 28:16-20

PENTECOST

May 19

"Transformed"

Acts 2:1-21

May 26

"Experiencing God"

Isaiah 6:1-8

To worship with us on
Zoom on Sundays, register
once at bit.ly/req4worship.

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Annual Meeting



Sunday, May 5 following Worship
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Niles Discovery
Church

United in God's love for everyone's journey ... no exceptions.

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CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

Annual Meeting



Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Annual Meeting of Niles Discovery Church will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, May 5, in the sanctuary and on Zoom (in the worship Zoom “meeting”). Your attendance is prayerfully and urgently requested. Copies of the Annual Report are available in the fellowship hall. Members can also have an Annual Report emailed to them by contacting Laurel Wallace at admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Please send announcements and articles as you write them to the office administrator at admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. Your submission will be posted on our **News blog** as they are received, and will be used to create announcements (as appropriate), as well as submitted for the next edition of *The Bell* (if appropriate in terms of timing). The deadline for submissions for the June 2024 edition of *The Bell* is 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 16. In addition to typical newsletter news, we hope to fill each issue of *The Bell* with reflections, photographs, poems, and so forth by members and friends of the congregation.



YOUR CANS SUPPORT EDUCATION



Ministry of Social Concerns Team is supporting a boy, Jose, in El Salvador and a girl, Alexia, in Jamaica, helping make sure they get an education. If you have cans or bottles, call or text Rick Gallegos (510-861-4847) or Judy Zlatnik (510-509-8165) to arrange pick-up or for more information.

CONTACTING THE STAFF

You can call the office 510-797-0895 to leave a message for any staff member. Our Office Administrator, Laurel Wallace can be emailed at admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. She is typically in the office on Mondays and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Our bookkeeper, Cecilia Le, can be emailed at cecilia@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. She is typically in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You are encouraged to use the pastor’s Calendly app to make an appointment for a phone call or a Zoom meeting or to meet in person as you would like; Pastor Jeff’s contact information is to the right.

Pastor Jeff’s contact info:

Mobile: 510-579-8851

Make an appointment:

calendly.com/revjss

Email:

jeff@nilesdiscoverychurch.org



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Organist
Jenny Lin

UNLOCK YOUR RESURRECTION STORY

by Pastor Jeff

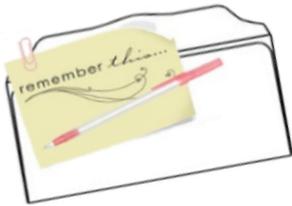
Our worship series, *Resurrection Stories: Unlock Yours*, continues through the great 50 days of Easter, as we look at scriptural stories of resurrection and contemporary stories of resurrection. I hope each of us can unlock our own resurrection stories in response to the stories we hear.

The final day of the series will be on Pentecost, May 19. You might want to wear reds or oranges that day.

You'll notice the ubiquity of keys during this series. They are there to remind us to unlock our own resurrection stories. I hope you will be part of this continuing spiritual journey.



NAME IT!



Please remember, for cash donations to be credited to your giving record, you must put the cash in an envelope and write your name on it.

NDC FINANCIAL SUMMARY YTD THROUGH MARCH 2024

Income

Budget	\$75,486
Actual	\$87,749

Expenses

Budget	\$92,725
Actual	\$89,003

Deficit

Budget	\$(17,239)
Actual	\$ (1,253)

Reserve Funds Balances

1/1/2024	\$795,483
3/31/2024	\$849,643

In the first quarter of 2024, income exceeded budget and expenses were less, resulting in a much smaller deficit than budgeted. The reserve fund balance increased due to positive stock and bond market performance, a continuation of the trend from 2023. As a reminder, past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

If church members would like more detailed information, the Treasurers reports are available by contacting our bookkeeper. If you have questions, feel free to talk to the Treasurer, Marilyn Vermazen; or any member of the Finance Committee (Michael Thomson, Beth Rasler, Bob Monkman, Mark Twist).



ECHOES IN ART: GRIEF & HOPE

by Rabbi Zoe McCoon



Tri-City Interfaith Council, Temple Beth Torah, and East Bay Holocaust Education Center are proud to present *Echoes in Art: Grief & Hope* - a Holocaust remembrance event. This is part of longstanding annual Tri-City Community tradition of coming together as an Interfaith community to sit alongside our Jewish neighbors as they observe Yom HaShoah, the Shoah Remembrance Day in the Jewish Calendar. Join us on Sunday, May 12, 2024, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Temple Beth Torah, 42000 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont, CA. This event will feature a "Music of the Holocaust" concert and storytelling program with local musicians, an art and media exhibit, our traditional Yom HaShoah service, and opportunities to be with our neighbors in grief, in memory, and in compassion.

This event will be multi-access - in person and online. Please send questions to Rabbi Zoe McCoon at RabbiZoeMcCoon@BethTorah-Fremont.org. Advance registration is required by Thursday, May 9, at bit.ly/ShoahRemembrance2024.



PRIDE PLACE OF BELONGING UPCOMING EVENTS

by Cindy Sojourner

Pride Place of Belonging is creating a safe and supportive place for members of the LGBTQIA+ community in Fremont, Newark, and Union City, regardless of religious or spiritual tradition, to gather, organize, and enjoy activities together. The need for a designated place has been expressed for years. Within the last year, activities have included game nights, Karaoke, an ice cream social, a gender-affirming clothing swap, a pizza cook-off, and Allyship classes (to help us all be better allies to the LGBTQIA+ community). We are open to suggestions for future activities and how to increase participation. These events are for people with no faith, any spirituality, or any religious affiliation. Our upcoming events are listed below:

- ♥ On Saturday, May 18, 1:00 pm. to 4:00 p.m., Pride Place of Belonging is organizing a free LGBTQIA+ family -friendly potluck picnic on the patio at Niles Discovery Church (36600 Niles Blvd, Fremont, CA) and a walk in the California Historic Nursery Park, which is located across the street. Please invite your family and friends who are part of the LGBTQIA+ community. Allies are welcome to attend if they are accompanied by a friend or family member in the LGBTQIA+ community. Children need to be accompanied by an adult. To help coordinate food, we are asking people to please use the following SignUpGenius link to indicate what food you will bring to share: bit.ly/ppb240518
- ♥ On Sunday, June 23, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the Allyship 102 will be held at Niles Discovery Church. This free event, open to everyone, will answer questions raised at the Allyship 101 class. Anyone who wants to support the LGBTQIA+ community is welcome to attend. Attendance at Allyship 101 is not required. Allyship 103 will be a Biblical self-defense seminar for the LGBTQIA+ community and allies. It will delve into what the Bible and Jesus have said or not said about queer people. Allyship 103 will be held on September 8, at 2:00 p.m.
- ♥ Once information becomes available, attending or marching in the San Francisco Pride Parade with Fremont will become a possible June activity.



Hello everyone!

Are you willing to join us on June 9 (the second Sunday in June) for a hybrid Town Hall Meeting after morning worship? This will be the opportunity to hear and discuss where we are in the church coaching experience and help the Cabinet determine if (and potentially how) we should continue.

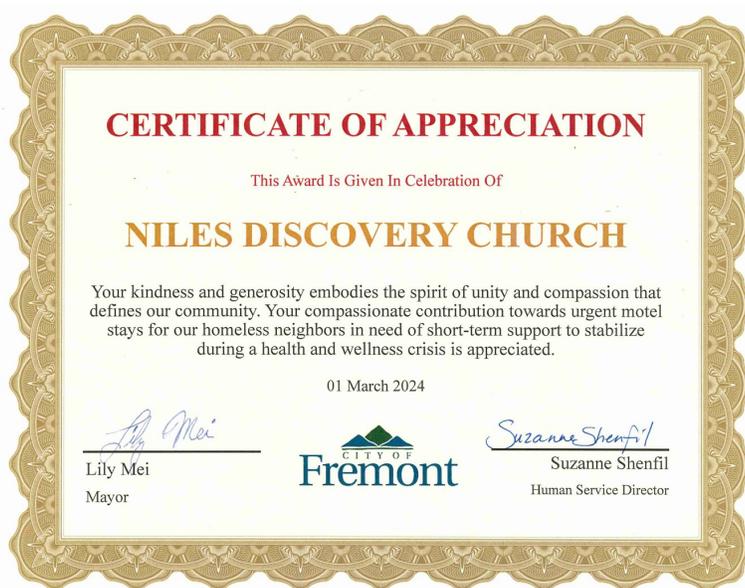
We had a first coaching session on March 10 that went very well. But shortly thereafter, there was a staffing change in the Northern California Nevada Conference office that prompted us to pause and evaluate our next step(s). Your participation in the June 9 Town Hall Meeting will help us figure out what's next!

CHURCH RECEIVES CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

In February, Niles Discovery Church's Cabinet voted to contribute \$2,500 from our homelessness ministries designated fund to the City of Fremont to pay the motel bills for a few people in the Safe Parking program who were recovering from illnesses. The church received a "Certificate of Appreciate" from the City of Fremont, accompanied by the following letter:

Dear Pastor Spencer and the Niles Discovery Church,

On behalf of the Human Services Department of the City of Fremont, I am writing to express our deepest gratitude for your generous donation of \$2,500 on February 21, 2024. Your compassionate contribution will have a meaningful impact on our community by providing urgent hotel stays for homeless individuals in Fremont who require short term support to stabilize during a health and wellness crisis.



Your act of kindness and generosity embodies the spirit of unity and compassion that defines our community. It is through partnerships like yours that we can continue to uplift and support those most in need. With your support, we can provide a safe and dignified environment for individuals who are experiencing hardship, offering them the stability and resources they require to move forward towards a better future.

Pastor Spencer, your leadership and the unwavering commitment of the Niles Discovery Church are exemplary and inspiring. Your dedication to serving those experiencing homelessness is truly commendable, and we are honored to have your support in our efforts to create a more inclusive and caring community.

Once again, thank you for your generosity and compassion. Your donation will make a significant difference in the lives of those we serve, and we are grateful for your partnership in this important work.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Shenfil
Human Services Director



RAISE SOME DOUGH

by Sandra Wong

Join fellow church friends and family for a night out at Panera Bread in Fremont on Saturday, June 8, 2024, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and raise money for Niles Discovery Church!

Whether you dine in or purchase an order online, 25% of the proceeds will go toward our church. To get credit, you must show the flyer at the time of your order. For online orders, please enter the code on the flyer (FUND4U). Flyers for the event are in the fellowship hall, on the literature table.

Let's have a nice summer evening out with our church community for a good cause!

RAISE SOME DOUGH

Help support us!

25% of sales will benefit Niles Discovery Church

June 8, 2024
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm PDT
2650 Mowry Avenue, Fremont, CA

In-Cafe Drive-Thru
Pick-Up Delivery
Enter promo code FUND4U at online checkout.

Panera
FUNDRAISING



Enter your favorite Chili in
The Niles Discovery Church's



Chili Cook-Off

On May 19
Following worship, in the fellowship hall.

Prizes for the Best Chilis

The Ministry of Hospitality and Fellowship Team will provide salad, cornbread, and dessert.

Bring Chili in a Crock Pot, preferably, or kettle that can be kept on low heat.
Make enough so all can have a small taste.

Everyone will be a judge.

For more info, contact a member of Ministry of Hospitality and Fellowship Team.



LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS*
OF FREMONT-NEWARK-UNION CITY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: TAKING A HARD LOOK AT ALAMEDA COUNTY'S SANTA RITA JAIL

by Andrea Schacter

Please join the League's next *free* program taking place at Niles Discover Church on May 4, 2024, from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Whether or not you have a personal relationship with someone who has been incarcerated in Santa Rita, all of us should be concerned about the problems and issues that have come to light regarding this local law enforcement agency which operates in our name. We will have a panel of speakers, including an investigative journalist, as well as advocates for reform. We will learn about the California Assembly Bill (AB 1185), and how, with lobbying from these advocates, our County Board of Supervisors is responding.

Please join us, and invite your friends, families, neighbors, and associates to this important community program.

NATIVE NEWS FROM THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL CONCERNS



by Judy Zlatnik



Stanford Powwow

May 10-12, 2024, at Eucalyptus Grove, Palo Alto, CA

For updated details, as they come in, email jzlatnik@yahoo.com or check out the website at stanfordpowwow.com.



Tule Boats Float Event

May 19, 2024, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Coyote Hills Regional Park

Tule is a wonderful plant that Ohlone Peoples traditionally used (and still use today) for housing material, sleeping, cordage, and much more. Come and build a miniature tule boat and see how well this unassuming plant can float and transport valuable cargo. Ages 7+ Parent participation required. Parking fees apply where charged. Wheelchair accessible. This is a drop-in program; no registration is required. For information, call (510) 544-3220.

Head Woman Lara Lasley | Head Man Marshall Baker | Northern MC Ruben Little Head | Southern MC Tom Phillips | Head Judge Tahnee Baker | Arena Director Darrell Goodwill | Northern Drum Young Enemy | Southern Drum Blazing Bear | Sound Hokiah Sound
28th Annual 5k Fun Run & Walk Saturday May 11th

53rd Annual
STANFORD POWWOW
EMPOWERING INDIGENOUS WOMEN

MAY 10-12
2024

Eucalyptus Grove, Stanford University | Grand Entry Fri 7pm, Sat 1pm & 7pm, Sun 1pm
Free Dance Registration | Point System Fri-Sun | All Drums Welcome | Camping Available | Absolutely No Drugs or Alcohol
Women Golden Age | N & S Traditional | Fancy | Jingle Men Golden Age | N & S Traditional | Fancy | Grass | Chicken | Teen Girls
N & S Traditional (Combined) | Fancy | Jingle | Teen Boys N & S Traditional (Combined) | Fancy | Grass | Junior Girls All Categories
Combined | Junior Boys All Categories Combined | Specials Tiny Tots (Ages 6 & Under) | Iron Man | Mother & Daughter (Ages 6+)
Sweetheart Special by Head Woman & Head Man | Veterans Recognition | Drum & Hand Drum Contest | Artwork by Clara Mooney

Exciting Achievements:



Sogorea Te' has purchased over two acres in Berkeley in an area where buildings were constructed on shell mounds, sacred ground to the generations of natives who have lived here. The plan for the area includes exposing the nearby creek, creating open space with native plants, and building a 40-foot-tall mound that will house an educational and memorial component.



Yurok Indians Tribe also made the news for a mammoth project under contract with Resource Environmental Solutions (RES). The Yurok Fisheries Department is leading a monumental project to restore the diverse, native flora that once flourished within the Klamath River's 38-mile-long reservoir reach. The Yurok tribe is also participating in another project to remove three dams along the Klamath River which will help to restore the natural flow and should greatly improve the salmon population. The Yurok are the largest tribe in California and is the only tribe in California who has not been removed from their ancestral lands.



... **Lynn Miller**, who was honored by Assembly Member Alex Lee at the 24th State Assembly District's 2024 Unsung Heroes awards ceremony on April 13.

... **Cecilia Church**, who was recognized for her efforts with the League of Woman Voters' outreach on the Youth Voter Movement. She and several other students from varying schools in the district helped to preregister 3500 students to vote. We're very proud of her drive and commitment.



... **Carrie King**, daughter of Barbara P. King, who was named Hayward Unified School District's Teacher of the Year.

HUSD Teacher of the Year

Carrie King, veteran Visual Arts teacher at Mt. Eden High, is the HUSD Teacher of the Year.

From the nomination: "She has been able to create an environment of learning art at MEHS that has transcended the walls of our school to the futures of many of her students' lives."

This makes her a nominee for Alameda County Teacher of the Year. She will be honored at the annual ACOE event.

Watch for more info on Ms. King on social media and husd.us.

ANOTHER BRICK IN THE WA...



... **Gem and Grace Mahusay**, who were married by Pastor Jeff on April 11 in Tilden Park.



JOY BARNITZ APPROVED FOR “ORDINATION PENDING CALL”

by Pastor Jeff



In the United Church of Christ (one of our denominations), one of the final steps for ordination is for the “Association” (a geographical area, ours is the Bay Association) to hold an “ecclesiastical council” to examine the candidate for ordination to determine if they are called to and ready for ordained ministry on behalf of the denomination. Our own Joy Barnitz, a graduate of Pacific School of Religion, had her ecclesiastical council at our church building on Saturday, April 13.

The ecclesiastical council began with welcoming statements and prayer. This was followed by a presentation by Joy, which in turn was followed by a time that delegates and visitors could ask Joy questions. After this time of examination, Joy was invited to leave the room and a motion was made to approve her for ordination pending a call. This motion passed

overwhelmingly.

Joy continues to work as a volunteer chaplain and as the coordinator of the No One Dies Alone program at Washington Hospital. One or both of these positions may become the called ministry to which Joy could be ordained.

OUR TREES GET SOME SPRING CLEANING

Under the guidance of the Ministry of Property Team, La Cañada Tree Service did some work in late March on some of the trees on or near the church’s property.



COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Members and friends of Niles Discovery Church are invited to submit short notices that may be of interest to the rest of the congregation. Note, no commercial notices or partisan political announcements are allowed. Niles Discovery Church makes no representations or endorsements about the events or services listed.

This spring, **the Golden Gate Men’s Chorus** (the chorus Pastor Jeff sings with) and Peninsula Women’s Chorus carry on their mission of bringing the very best of choral music to the Bay Area with Giacomo Puccini’s *Messa di Gloria*. Mark your calendars and join us for our spring concert series May 4 at Mission Santa Clara and May 5 at Mission Dolores Basilica! Tickets are available now at ggmc.org and pwchorus.org.

Join the **Mission Peak Choirs** on Sunday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. for a light-filled evening featuring Elaine Hagenberg’s exquisite choral masterpiece, *Illuminare*. Moroccan guest artist Fattah Abbou will also join both Mission Peak choirs with songs from his homeland of love, longing, and life. You don’t want to miss this vibrant concert that will leave all inspired. Tickets are available at mcpcs.ticketleap.com.

MAY SPECIAL OFFERING

SAVE-Ing The Abused

We believe that every person has the right to live in peace. – SAVE Mission Statement

Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments (SAVE) is a local organization that provides shelter, support, and educational opportunities for individuals and families so they may end the cycle of abuse, heal, and have the freedom to reach their full potential. The program includes a shelter/transitional housing program and an Empowerment Center offering crisis support, referrals, and assistance with food, clothing and, even, restraining orders. SAVE has also created education programs for police officers and medical personnel specifically addressing the needs



of domestic violence victims and provides Teen Dating Violence Awareness presentations to schools.

As with all our special offerings, you are welcome to give at any time. You can also do your giving online: go to nilesdiscoverychurch.org/give and select this month's special offering from the special offering options. With so many possibilities for special giving, you may need to choose which ones are most important to you. To see the complete schedule of special offerings, please visit bit.ly/NDCSpecialOfferings.

Last month, you donated \$174 for the future leaders of the church, which will be split between the Pacific School of Religion and Disciples Seminary Foundation. We are training the future, thanks to your generosity!

LET THE PPRC KNOW

The Pastor Parish Relations Committee (PPRC) wants to hear from you. Contact any PPRC member – Randy Fewel, Judy Hollowell, Inger Svaerd, Ken Rasler, Denise Church, Leonard Lloyd, and Pastor Jeff – if you have a concern about the life of the church that you want to explore. If you have a church relationship that's hurting and want some assistance in healing it, speak to one of them.



Second Saturday Documentary Series Presents:

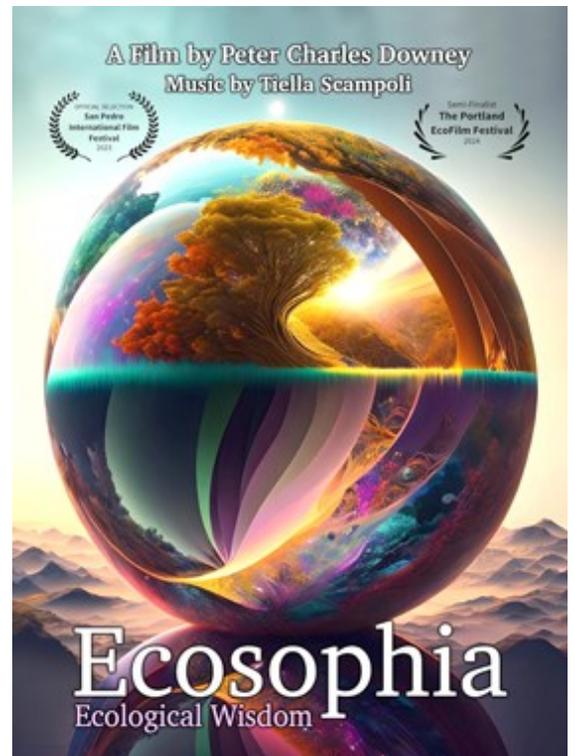
Ecosophia

Ecosophia primes us to ask deep, existential questions about what drives the climate crisis – questions we usually try to avoid.

Ecosophia means ecological wisdom, and this documentary explores the interrelation between energy, the economy, resources, population, psychology, spirituality, the biosphere, the limits to growth and climate change. A simpler world is coming, and what's needed is as much a spiritual revolution as a physical one.

This documentary brings diverse perspectives on climate change, including climate scientists, social scientists, and indigenous people. The many voices intersect and converge on why climate change is called a crisis and why the planet needs more of our attention and care. The voices are overlaid with beautiful images of the world that is worth preserving. It is a striking call for wisdom.

Join us on Zoom for a special screening of this documentary, followed by a discussion, Saturday, May 11, at 1:30 p.m. You can register for this screening and others by visiting bit.ly/SSDSZoom.



FELLOWSHIP NEWS



REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To enhance the safety of your Zoom experience, we typically require advance registration for Zoom meetings held on the church's Zoom account. You only need to register once for a repeating event. Find the registration links in the descriptions of the scheduled events.



MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY No Bible Study on Memorial Day, May 27

Monday Morning Bible Study continues to Zoom from 11:00 a.m. to noon. The scripture studied is typically the scripture for the coming Sunday's worship service. Everyone is welcome. Register at bit.ly/mmbsreg.



CYBER GEEZERS May 22

This is a gathering of retirees who are interested in learning more about computers, the Internet, etc. They meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month, which is May 22 this month, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The group gathers on Zoom. Please contact Jerry Sabo (jlsabo3@comcast.net) for more information.



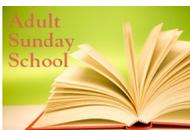
LAP ROBE TYING GROUP May 22

Come tie lap robes in person on the fourth Wednesday of the month, January to October, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is a planned "potluck" lunch at each gathering; contact Judy Molander, 925-201-7335, regarding what you plan to bring for the group. This month's meeting is on Wednesday, May 22. Please contact Judy Molander (jumolander@aol.com) to be added to the group's email list or if you have suggestions for organizations that might want some donated lap robes.



GREEN TEAM MEETING May 1

You're welcome to join the Green Team, a group leading our congregation to address the climate crisis. They typically meet the first Wednesday of the month, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., on Zoom. For questions, contact Susie Claxton (veroclax@sbcglobal.net) or Bee Newell (beenewell2@gmail.com). Here is the link to the Zoom meeting bit.ly/greenteamzoom.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join the Adult Sunday School each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall for a discussion about the book they are reading and discussing. Contact John Zlatnik at (jzlatnik49@mac.com) for more information.



PUZZLE EXCHANGE AND SCRIP SALES

You're welcome to drop by the fellowship hall each Friday, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., to exchange a jigsaw puzzle and/or buy some scrip. Some people stick around to work on a puzzle, just for the fun of it.



**PRAYERS FOR THESE PEOPLE (AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS)
BECAUSE OF THEIR HEALTH CONCERNS:**



JoAn Parker;
Betty Morris;
Sandi Reeder;
Wally Osborne;
Charlotte O'Donnell;
Grace Rankin;
Nancy Attinger;
Hermann Attinger;
Donna D'Ambrosio;
Marty Williams;
Barbara Swint;
Maria Sicalbo;
Vickey Kean;
Jim Vermazen;
Diane Harvey;
Barbara P. King;
Bruce Roeding;
Diana Roeding;
George Roeding;
Veronica Riggs;
Ginny August;
Martha LeRoy;
Judy Zlatnik;
John Zlatnik;
Helen Boyer;
Charlie Smith;
Becky Moreno;
Isabel Moreno;

Penn Boyer;
Isaiah Espinoza-Carter;
Patsy Finster;
Diane Kindle;
Sandra Frisbey;
Riki & Mark Twist's son-in-law, **Andy Martin**;
Riki Twist's mother, **Marcia**;
Riki Twist's brother, **Dave Burch**;
Liz Musgrave's friend, **Mary Richardson**;
Liz Musgrave's friend, **Bill Shive**;
John Zlatnik's cousin, **Helena Fixova**;
Barbara P. King's 6-year-old niece, **Gwennie Phelps**;
Barbara P. King's son, **Jason King**;
Barbara J. King's great-great-niece, *Kayleigh*;
Peter Wilson's dad;
the family of Cindy Sojourner's friend, **Saemi**;
Jasmine Zartman's mother, **Karen Trepte**;
Shaun Moeller's brother, **Dave Nyman**;
Ron Adamson's sister, **Joanne Orput**;
Sharon Yool's former student, **Jennifer Hurd**;
Sharon Yool's daughter;

Diane Harvey's sister, **Linda**;
Priscilla Taylor's friend, **Michelle Campbell**;
Priscilla Taylor's friend, **Andrea Cohen**;
Priscilla Taylor's father-in-law and mother-in-law, **Steve and Angie Taylor**;
Rich Gallegos' mother, **Esther**;
Helen Boyer's sister-in-law, **Marjorie Boyer**;
Joy Barnitz's friend, **Polly Baxter**;
Joy Barnitz's friend **Rachel**;
Susie Claxton's sister, **Caroline**;
Susie Claxton's sister, **Argyle**;
Becky Moreno's brother-in-law, **Vince** ;
Michael Thomson's sister, **Mary Thomson**;
Alison Kieft's sister-in-law, **Debbie Thompson**;
Alison Kieft's friend **Laura's daughter**;
Alison Kieft's friend, **Terri Sue**;
Two of Alison Kieft's friends, a husband and wife;
Grace Rankin's brother, **Jim Carstairs**;
Katy Wharton's mother;
Maria Garnica's brother, **Victor Garnica**;
Suzy Mahusay's sister, **Jo Carroll**.

ALL THE SPOUSES, PARTNERS, CHILDREN, PARENTS, AND EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE CARING FOR AND JOURNEYING WITH SICK, FRAIL, AND/OR ELDERLY LOVED ONES (ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE NAMED ABOVE).

IN THANKSGIVING FOR ALL THE WAYS GOD BRINGS HEALING.

PRAYERS FOR ALL WHO ARE GRIEVING, ESPECIALLY:

The family of Mary Ann Dillon as they grieve her death on March 27;
Kimi Kolbe and her extended family as they grieve the death of Alison Kieft, Kimi's mom, on January 24;
Bridget and Ken (and Roy) Lucey-Cose as they grieve the death of their newborn son Theodore Ember Lucey-Cose on January 11;
Erin King as she grieves the death of her father on January 7;
the family and friends of Janette Anderson as they grieve her death on January 2 (Jeanette was the wife of Don Anderson, the late Pastor Emeritus of Niles Discovery

Church);
Beth Armstrong, as she and her family grieve the death of her brother Ken on December 23;
Delya Lamerson and her family as they grieve the death of Delya's mother, Les Craig on November 18;
Martha McFarland and her family as they grieve the death of Martha's mother, the Rev. Kay McFarland on October 21;
Jim Thomas and his family as they grieve the death of Jim's brother Steve Thomas on October 16.

OUR CONGREGATION AND ITS LEADERS.

PEOPLE (AND ALL OF CREATION) AROUND THE GLOBE SUFFERING FROM HUMAN-MADE DISASTERS AND FROM NATURAL DISASTERS (OFTEN MADE WORSE BY HUMAN ACTION AND INACTION ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS).

May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Safe Parking</p> <p>9:00AM Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:15AM Choir Warm-up</p> <p>10:00AM Worship</p> <p>11:00AM Celebrate</p> <p>2:00PM Liturgist</p> <p>4:00PM Inquirers</p>	<p>28</p> <p>11:00AM Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7:00PM MPCs and EBPC Rehearsals</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3:30PM Green Team meeting</p> <p>7:30PM Liturgist Training on Zoom</p>	<p>2</p> <p>4:30PM Pride Place of Belonging organizing meeting</p> <p>7:00PM ACA Group</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1:00PM Puzzle Exchange and SCRIP Sales</p> <p>2:00PM Facilities Cleaning</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30AM ACA meeting</p> <p>10:00AM League of Women Voters</p> <p>2:00PM Joseph Morgan's Eagle Scout Ceremony</p>
<p>9:00AM Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:15AM Choir Warm-up</p> <p>10:00AM Worship</p> <p>11:30AM Annual Meeting</p> <p>6:00PM BSA Troop</p>	<p>5</p> <p>11:00AM Bible Study</p> <p>7:30PM Ministry Team Meetings</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7:00PM BSA Troop 112 Committee Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>4:30PM SSDS Producers Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:00PM ACA Group</p>	<p>10</p> <p>1:00PM Puzzle Exchange and SCRIP Sales</p> <p>2:00PM Facilities Cleaning</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00AM Boundary Training</p> <p>9:30AM ACA meeting</p> <p>1:30PM Second Saturday Documentary Series</p>
<p>9:00AM Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:15AM Choir Warm-up</p> <p>10:00AM Worship</p> <p>3:30PM MCE Meeting</p> <p>7:30PM Yom HaShoah</p>	<p>12</p> <p>11:00AM Bible Study</p> <p>7:00PM Finance Committee</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:00AM GNV - Needlework Group</p> <p>7:00PM BSA Troop 112 Meeting</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:00AM Bell Deadline</p> <p>7:00PM ACA Group</p>	<p>17</p> <p>1:00PM Puzzle Exchange and SCRIP Sales</p> <p>2:00PM Facilities Cleaning</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:30AM ACA meeting</p> <p>10:00AM Clear Creek Service's Board Meeting</p> <p>1:00PM Pride Place of Belonging Picnic</p> <p>5:30PM AI-Anon Birthday Celebration</p>
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