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# The Broadcaster

*Willoughby*   
UNITED-METHODIST-CHURCH

**February 2017**

## Dates to Remember

**February 2**

Groundhog Day

**February 5**

Preschool Registration  
(church members)  
McKinley 5K Planning

**February 11**

McKinley Distribution

**February 13**

Broadcaster Articles Due

**February 14**

Valentines Day

**February 16**

Preschool Registration  
(open to public)

**February 20**

Presidents Day

**February 21**

McKinley Distribution

**February 24**

Movie Night

**February 25**

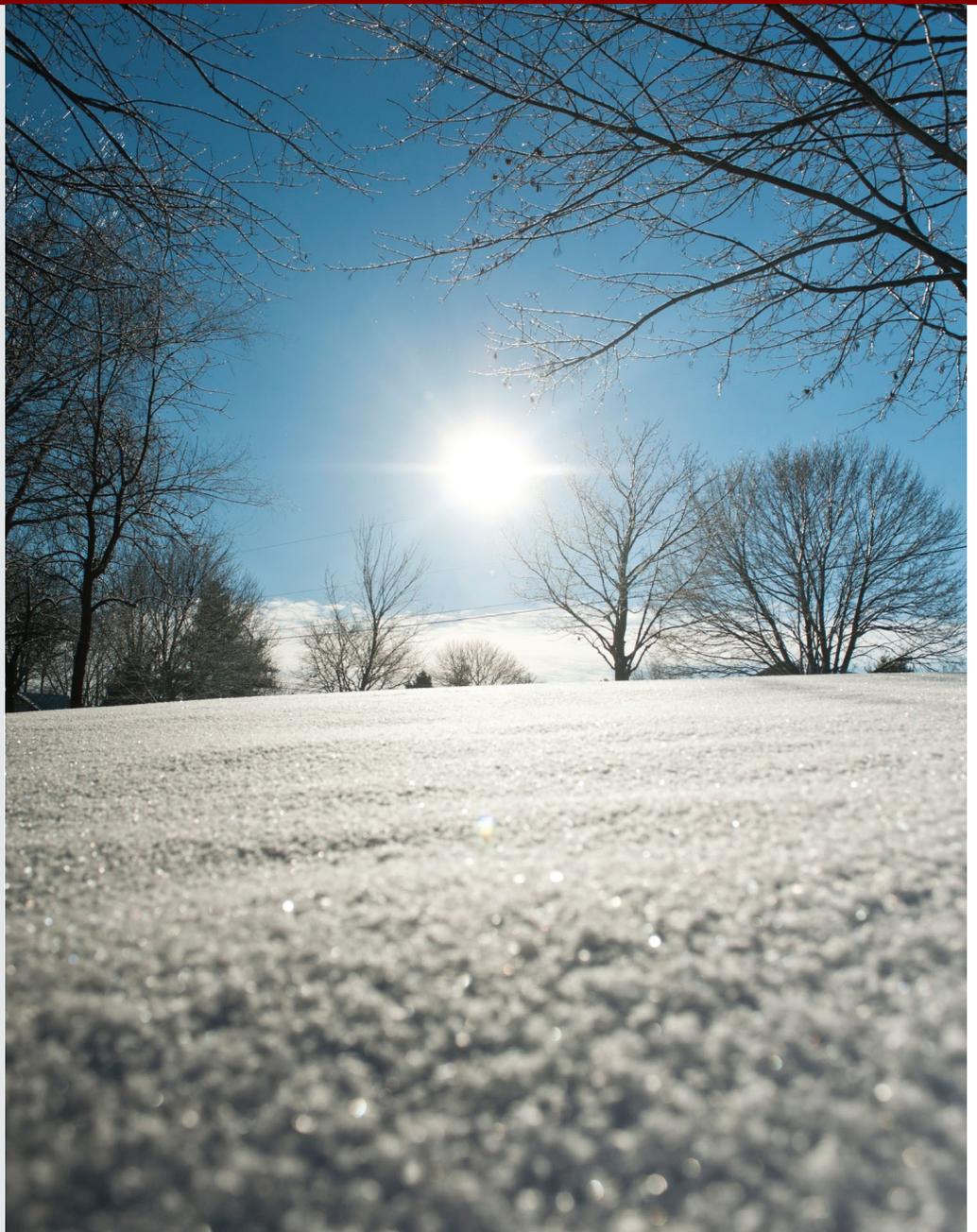
McKinley Distribution

**February 28**

Broadcaster Mailing

**March 1**

Ash Wednesday





# A Message from the Pastor

Pastor Don Perks  
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Hello Family,

Recently I have been a part of several conversations about the Willoughby United Methodist Church. Some people talk about the building, its architectural design, its place within the city, the long aisle that makes for beautiful weddings.

Some people talk about the different ministries we offer or are a part of; like our children's ministry, or the amount of youth who are part of the youth ministry. Many people are being affected by the outreach ministries through the Community meals and the work at McKinley Community Outreach Center.

But once you get past the outward appearance or the ministry they are a part of, and you ask, "What brought you here or what keeps you here?" it is always the same answer, "The people here are so loving, it just feels like family."

I am constantly amazed at the amount of new people who I meet on Sunday mornings. Some are visiting in the area and they join us for worship, and some of them have just moved into the community and are looking for a church home. Some of the new people who visit are church shopping and some have been invited by you to come and join us for worship. But as I get to know them and I ask what they like about the church, it seems to always go back to the people. I don't know if you realize how much of a difference you make in another person's life on Sunday mornings.

When you greet someone who just walked in for the first time, you become the face of the church. When you go out of your way to say hello and smile, it may be just what that person needed. So let me say "Thank You" to all of you who make Willoughby United Methodist Church feel like family, and a place where people want to come back to and be a part of. But also, let me encourage you to keep an eye out for people you don't know, maybe you are the one who will have an impact to bring them back the following week.

Blessings,  
Pastor Don



## Connection Classes for all Ages

SUNDAYS 10 -10:50 a.m.



1st & 2nd grade—Rm. 207 Mrs. Knotts & Mrs. Perks  
3rd & 4th grade—Rm. 201 Mr. & Mrs. Pantaleano  
5th grade—Rm. 203 Mrs. Weber & Mr. Lombardo



3 & 4 yr olds —Rm. 105 Mrs. Kneeland & Mrs. Miller  
5 yr olds —Rm. 205 Ms. Crown & Mrs. Miller



### February Kids B.L.A.S.T. Memory Verse

Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.  
-Deuteronomy 6:5

## re:form

6th—8th grade—Rm. 6  
Mr. Kreger, Mr. Muranko,  
Mrs. Kubiak and Mr. & Mrs. Fulginiti

## YOUTH CLASS

9th grade and above—Youth Room  
Mr. Lance Vene



### adult connections

#### BIBLE STORIES ALL GROWN UP

Room 3  
Take another look at the Bible  
Stories we learned from our  
childhood.

Led By Lisa Richards

#### ADULT CREDO

Room 102  
Interested in becoming a member  
of the Church or learning about  
the United Methodist Church?  
Attend the Credo Class beginning  
February 19th

Led by Paul Turner

#### REVELATION : The Triumph of God

Room 101  
Jesus gave John the strangely  
beautiful vision recorded in the  
book of Revelation to give us  
hope.

Led by David Black



Deuteronomy 6:7 states “Impress them (God’s Commandments) on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.” At Willoughby U.M.C. , we want to come along side you through a variety of opportunities to help equip parents to be the spiritual leader of the home through our Faith@Home Ministries.

Pick up a Children & Family Ministry Brochure at the  
Welcome Desk for this quarter’s children & family upcoming events.



Connect with Children and Family Ministry Updates on Facebook.  
<https://www.facebook.com/wumcfathathome/>

# Wednesday Night Community Dinner Soup Sale!

To help support the Wednesday Night Community Dinner (WNCD), we will sell soup every Sunday in February.

Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>: Chicken Noodle  
Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>: Tortellini  
Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>: Cream of Potato  
Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>: Beef Vegetable

Pints: \$4.00    Quarts: \$8.00

The WNCD Team will take, and greatly appreciate, pre-orders after service for the coming weeks!

Additional soup will be made, on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Payment will be taken at pick-up time.



**CHANGE  
THE WORLD**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday, May 7 2017**

- Job-site application available mid February
- Site Manager needed now
- Team sign up in April
- Be part of the planning team
  - Upcoming meetings Sundays –  
Jan 29, Feb 12 and Feb 26  
(after 11:00 service)



## Mission and Social Concerns

Your Missions & Social Concerns Committee has been busy preparing for 2017! We met Thursday, January 14, 2017, to review 2016 and to plan for 2017.

Andrea Barressi spoke during our services recently about the Sub-Zero Mission. Half of the noisy collection in January was sent to that project. The other half was sent to St. James (Church in Painesville) emergency warming center and homeless outreach center where the homeless can receive food and when code blues are issued can receive shelter. Thank you for your donations to these two needed local programs!

Ash Wednesday is March 1 which means we will be collecting for Birthright of Lake County. New clothing for infants and young toddlers along with toiletries, blankets and diapers are just a sampling of what you can deposit in either the bassinet in the cloister or the pack-n-play in the passage by the front of the church. In March our Mission Moment will center upon the mission of Birthright Lake County. Have a desire to serve outside the church and don't know where? Project Hope, housing a maximum of 40, is asking for volunteers to help in the kitchen at mealtimes or in other positions. Please give them a call for more information (ask for Missy).

As always, thank you all for your service and support of mission projects! Our next meeting is Thursday, March 10 at 7pm in the parlor. All are invited. Any questions or comments? Please contact Pat Norris at (440) 796-1179 or at [pat@e-norris.com](mailto:pat@e-norris.com).

## **Seven Sites Every United Methodist Should See**

World travelers may seek out pyramids, cathedrals and safari parks, but United Methodists have destinations across the globe that hold their own allure. Here are suggestions for seven fascinating places to visit.

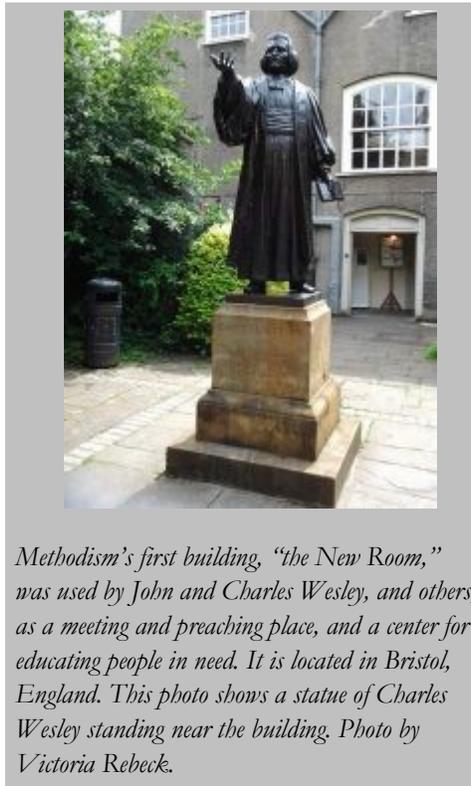
### ***Where Wesley Walked***

England is the cradle of Methodism, where John Wesley started the worldwide evangelical movement in the 18th century, and where travelers today can visit three main sites that trace the steps of the socially minded Anglican minister. In Bristol, where Wesley preached his first outdoor sermon, the New Room stands as Methodism's first building, used by Wesley and other early Methodists as a meeting and preaching place and a center for helping and educating people in need. "[The New Room] is soaked in prayer. It's a great thrill to stand in the pulpit," says Jo Hibbard, heritage officer for the Methodist Church in Britain. London is home to Wesley's Chapel and House, the hub for Wesley's later work and considered the Mother Church of World Methodism. To explore where Wesley grew up, take the three-hour train ride from London to Epworth to tour the childhood home of John and his hymn-writing brother Charles. Here, their revered mother, Susanna, instilled in her large brood of children the methodical manner that later would characterize her sons' approach to religion.

### ***Cathedral Church of American Methodism***



The oldest house of Methodist worship in continuous use in America, St. George's United Methodist Church of Philadelphia houses an active congregation that began as a Methodist



*Methodism's first building, "the New Room," was used by John and Charles Wesley, and others, as a meeting and preaching place, and a center for educating people in need. It is located in Bristol, England. This photo shows a statue of Charles Wesley standing near the building. Photo by Victoria Rebeck.*

society in 1767 and has occupied the historic church building since 1769. The congregation went to court during the 1920s to save the structure from being razed to make room for the Ben Franklin Bridge. The site of many firsts, St. George's is where missionary Joseph Pilmore made the first public statement on Methodist principles and beliefs and held the nation's first Methodist prayer meeting. Francis Asbury, the pioneering bishop of American Methodism, preached his first American sermon at St. George's in 1771 and called the place The Cathedral Church of American Methodism. Want to learn more about those early days? St. George's offers a Time Traveler's tour on certain dates

### ***God's Square Mile at the Jersey Shore***

The embodiment of Methodist camp meetings and the Holiness Movement of the late 19th century, Ocean Grove, N.J., was founded in 1869 during a prayer meeting on land set aside for the perpetual worship of Jesus Christ. Today, the seaside community still offers residents and visitors opportunities for spiritual birth, growth and renewal in a Christian recreational setting. Ocean Grove (pop. 3,342) holds a camp meeting revival every



Sunday, closes its beaches to the public on Sunday mornings, features streets with

Biblical names, sells no alcohol, and maintains a commercial-free boardwalk along one of the most pristine beaches in America. At its center is the 6,000-seat Great Auditorium, used for regular worship services and family-friendly concerts and featuring an 11,000-pipe organ. Each spring, 114 canvas tents are erected around the auditorium and rented to tenants, many of whom are fourth- and fifth-generation summer residents. "There's a peaceful spirit here. It's like stepping back in time," says J.P. Gradone, executive director of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, the United Methodist-related group overseeing the grounds.

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***Visit [www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org) for other interesting articles and information about our faith***

## **Seven Sites Every United Methodist Should See (continued)**

### **Witness to the World**



Dedicated in 1924 in the heart of Washington, D.C., the United Methodist Building is the only non-governmental building on Capitol Hill — giving public witness at the seat of U.S. government that The United Methodist Church is an advocate for justice and peace throughout the world. Located across from the Capitol and next to the Supreme Court, the Italian Renaissance-style building houses offices for several United Methodist agencies and numerous other church and ecumenical groups. Filled with rich history, the structure was dedicated amid the Temperance Movement and the Labor Reform/Social Gospel Movement. Weekday visitors can take a self-guided tour (or arrange in advance for guided tours) and attend noon worship services each Wednesday in Simpson Memorial Chapel.

### **Quiet Space**

A gem of tranquility in a bustling district of Nashville, Tenn., Upper Room Chapel is a place of prayer and reflection, as well as the anchor of a spiritual formation ministry that since 1935 has distributed millions of copies of its flagship devotional guide to 100 countries in 35 languages. The campus includes a prayer room, a Christian art museum and the home of global United Methodist ministries focused on spiritual development. It has become a pilgrimage destination for thousands of people who have learned about God and grown their faith through the

quarterly grassroots-written publication called *The Upper Room*. The chapel holds a worship service each Wednesday morning, and the art museum features rotating exhibits. Admission is free, although donations are welcome.

### **Beacon of Hope**

In the midst of a United Methodist evangelistic movement on the world's



second most populous continent, Africa University stands as a beacon of hope to the people of Africa's underdeveloped nations. The United Methodist-related school opened in 1992 in Mutare, Zimbabwe, near a mission site established a century earlier by the Methodist Episcopal Church, where a founding bishop envisioned that youths holding books one day would walk in the valley. Today, the vision at Old Mutare Mission is being fulfilled as the university molds thousands of students from dozens of African nations into educated, principled Christian leaders.



*A woodcarving of da Vinci's The Last Supper is the focal point of The Upper Room Chapel in Nashville, Tenn. Photo courtesy of The Upper Room.*

### **Repository for Relief**

If you want to see where ministry and mission converge, the bayou country of Louisiana is the home of the primary U.S. depot for the United



Methodist Committee on Relief, where 2,600 volunteers pass through annually to process and ship \$7 million worth of supplies and relief kits distributed throughout the world. Located in Baldwin, 90 miles from New Orleans' strategic seaport, Sager Brown Depot has been a hub of UMCOR missions since Hurricane Andrew hit the Gulf Coast in 1992. For more than a century prior, however, the campus served as a Methodist school and home for black children orphaned by the Civil War. Tours of a small museum and the depot are available by appointment. "We're a hands-on place," explains executive director Kathy Kraiza. "A lot of hands touch these relief kits by the time they end up in the hands of somebody in a Third World country or in the midst of disaster." Kraiza suggests visiting between November and April when sticky bayou temperatures subside.

### **A UMC.org Feature**

**By Martha W. Aldrich**

<http://www.umc.org/who-we-are/seven-sites-every-united-methodist-should-see>

## **Grant & Scholarship Information**

East Ohio Conference Grants and Educational Scholarship applications are available now with deadlines that begin in March. To find out more about the grants and educational scholarships being offered visit the East Ohio Conference website at <http://www.eocumc.com/scholarships/>

*Willoughby U.M.C. and the John Mather Scholarship applications will be available April 1<sup>st</sup>, due May 1<sup>st</sup> and awarded June 4<sup>th</sup>.*

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## **CREDO (Faith Formation) for Adults**

February 19th - April 9th  
This 8-week class offers the continuation of one's faith journey and the beginning of one's covenant relationship with the church. This course explains and helps people to become fully engaged in the life of the church through worship, service, connection groups and involvement in other ministries. Participants will emerge prepared for a life of Christian Discipleship. Sign up on the connection card by Feb. 12th.

*\*This class is a prerequisite for the W.U.M.C. Membership Class unless coming through a transfer of membership..*

**Rm 102**

**Led by: Paul Turner**



Who is ready to go on a cute, colorful adventure? Inspired by the tall-haired troll dolls that first became popular in the 1960s February's movie centers on peppy troll Princess Poppy, who teams up with grumpy Branch to rescue her friends from the troll-hungry Bergens. Along the way everyone learns lessons about inner happiness, never giving up, and being proud of who you are.

Everyone is invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for the

## **February Faith Families Movie Night Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.**

(doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Admission is Free and Refreshments will be sold.



## **Preschool Registration**

February is Preschool Registration month! Church members can register Sunday February 5th at 10am in Room 201. Public registration is Thursday February 16th at 7pm. Help spread the word about our awesome preschool!



## **Save the Date Willoughby U.M.C. Vacation Bible School**



**Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Join Our Annual VBS Kick off on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to register children and to volunteer.*

# McKINLEY COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER



## Distribution hours

Saturday, Feb 11: 9:00-10:30 AM

Tuesday, Feb 21: 6:00-7:30 PM

Saturday, Feb 25: 9:00-10:30 AM

## Food Pantry hours:

Mondays: 6:00-7:30 PM

Wednesdays: Noon-2:30 PM

Thursdays: Noon-2:30 PM

## Feed the Body Feed the Soul Meal

Monday Feb. 13: 5:30 PM

Monday Feb. 27: 5:30 PM



There will be a planning meeting for the 3rd Annual McKinley 5K Run/Walk. The planning meeting will be held on Sunday, February 5 after the 11:00 service.

## Donation & Building Administration Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Saturdays: 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

## Greatest Current Donation Needs

### TAXABLES:

Laundry detergent – 32 loads; Dishwashing liquid – 25 oz.; Liquid cleanser

### PET FOOD:

Cat food, dog food

### CLOTHES:

Winter, especially boys & men's and extra-large women's

### BED SHEETS:

Queen & king sizes

### BLANKETS & TOWELS:

All sizes

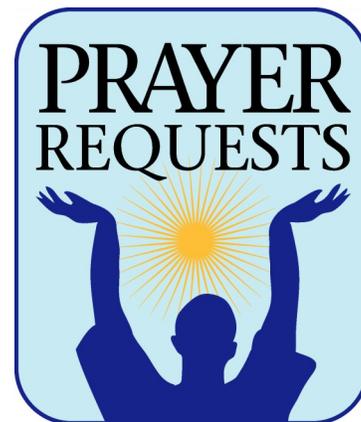
### FURNITURE:

Beds – any size, but especially twin & queen

### FOOD:

Peanut butter, jelly, cereal, macaroni & cheese, Chicken noodle & tomato soup, tuna

Please note that the McKinley Community Outreach Center does NOT pick up furniture donations.



Phyllis Culek, Terry Daniels, Russell Freeman, Erin Hendrix, Pat Meyer, Larry Morgan.



## *We Are Back!*

We are happy to announce our website is back up and running. We unfortunately experienced a long outage because our old webhosting company went out of business, but with perseverance and a new webhost, we are online again!

We have many new features that we can use on this new site, and we will be fulling rolling them out over time.

Please visit us at [willoughbyUMC.org](http://willoughbyUMC.org) or [willoughbyUMC.com](http://willoughbyUMC.com)

*-Communications Committee*

# FEBRUARY 2017

## Sunday Worship Schedule

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Church Office - Judy Dort - wbyumc@ameritech.net

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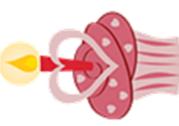
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8:00 AM - Service (Chapel)

9:00 AM - Contemporary (Sanctuary)

10:00 AM - Education Hour

11:00 AM - Traditional (Sanctuary)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry 9:30 AM - Library 5:30 PM - Meal 6:30 PM - Bells 6:45 PM - Intercess. Prayer	<b>2</b> 1:00 PM - Daytimers 6:30 PM - Mission 7:00 PM - Church Council 7:00 PM - Choir	<b>3</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry	<b>4</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry
<b>5</b> <i>Sunday Worship Schedule</i> 10 AM - Preschool Registration McKinley 5K Run/Walk Planning Meeting (after 11:00 Service) 1-3 PM - Youth Group	<b>6</b> 9:30 AM - Alanon 6:30 PM - CWT 7:00 PM Girlfriends in God	<b>7</b> 10:30 AM - Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 PM - River Street	<b>8</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry 9:30 AM - Library 5:30 PM - Meal 6:30 PM - Bells 6:45 PM - Intercess. Prayer 6:30 PM LIFE classes	<b>9</b> 7:00 PM - Choir 7:00 PM - Trustees 7:00 PM - Missions 7:00 PM - Worship	<b>10</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry	<b>11</b> 9:00 AM <b>McKinley Distribution</b>
<b>12</b> <i>Sunday Worship Schedule</i> Change the World Meeting (after 11:00 Service) 2 PM - Youth Mission Trip Meeting	<b>13</b> 9:30 AM - Alanon 5:30 PM - McKinley Dinner 6:30 PM - CWT 7:00 PM - Girlfriends in God <b>Broadcaster articles due</b>	<b>14</b> 10:30 AM - Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 PM - River Street	<b>15</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry 9:30 AM - Library 5:30 PM - Meal 6:30 PM - Bells 6:45 PM - Intercess. Prayer 7:00 PM - LIFE Classes 7:00 PM - Preschool Registration	<b>16</b> 1:00 PM - Daytimers 7:00 PM - Finance	<b>17</b> 9:30 AM - Food Pantry 6:30 PM - Burrows	<b>18</b>
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