

## RISEN SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY NEWS & ACTIVITIES

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April 14 - April 21, 2024

**OFFICE HOURS** - The Church Office is open on Wednesdays & Fridays from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm and Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. When coming to the office, please use entrance #1!

**EASTER PLANTS** - If you provided plants for our Easter services and would like to take them home (the bulbs may be planted), please do so today! You will find them in the library. Thank you for sharing!

### TODAY

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** - The Board of Outreach wants the your input on outreach at Risen Savior. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall from 9:15—10:15 am.

**GOOD “FOYER” SOUL** - Darrell Doesken leads this Bible study on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am in the Gathering Place. This group listens to a song, then they study the Scripture behind the song and how it pertains to us today. For questions, please contact Darrell Doesken at mbd55@hotmail.com.

**THE “PRIME” GROUP** - (mid-20s-40s - People Right In the Middle of Everything) meets in room 110 on Sunday mornings from 9:15—10:15. Contact Chris or Jennifer Williams if you have questions.

### MONDAY

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** - Church office closed on Mondays. Staff work remotely. It is also Pastor CJ's day off.

**WESTSIDERS CONNECT GROUP** - This group is doing a RightNow media study called “For the health of the Nation”. This group rotates West side homes, so please contact Nancy Larson if you'd like more information.

### TUESDAY

**TOGETHER IN HIS WORD** - This connect group meets in Room 110 from 10—11:30 on Tuesday mornings. During their weekly meetings, their time includes prayer, Bible study, card ministry, serving, fellowship and a freewill offering for Missionaries Tim & Beth Heiney. Friends are welcome! They are studying the Book of John. Coffee and water are available and feel free to bring snacks to share! Contact Ramona Peshek (ramonapeshek@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or would like to participate.

**THIRD TUESDAY BOOK CLUB** - The April selection is Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann. The author, Mr. Grann, will be speaking at the Dillon Lecture Series on April 16 ( the day our club is scheduled to discuss his book). We decided it would be fun to go hear him speak. The event starts at 10:30 at the Sports Arena in Hutchinson. For those

interested in coming, we will meet in the Risen Savior east lot at 9:00am on the 16th and carpool to Hutch. After the lecture, we'll have lunch at Carriage Crossings in Yoder and discuss the book. The cost for the lecture is \$10. Please contact Marilyn Cook by April 15 if you plan on going so that we'll know how many cars we'll need and who to expect.

**BOARD OF ADULT MINISTRIES** - The Board of Adult Ministries will meet on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am. Please contact Laura Wolter if you are unable to attend.

**GRIEFSHARE 13 WEEK SUPPORT GROUP** - No matter what the circumstances, grief recovery is a painful process. Risen Savior is excited to share a special 13-week, grief support group for people dealing with the death of a loved one. Our current session is on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:30 p.m. through May 30. Cost is \$20 and scholarships are available. Please contact Joan Streck & Rusty Peterson with questions. You can register on our website, at griefshare.org or call the church office at 683-5538.

**FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED** - The Fellowship Hall is reserved on Tuesday from 6:00 - 9:00 pm for Whispering Brook HOA.

### WEDNESDAY

**STAFF MEETING** - The church staff meets at 11 am on Wednesdays. Please refrain from calling the church office during this time.

**PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL** - Praise Team will rehearse at 5:45 on Wednesday evening to prepare for the Sunday morning worship services. See Alan Severt or Chad Harmon if you have questions.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING MINISTRIES** - Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm. There is something for people of every age! **Please use entrance #4 those doors will be unlocked until 6:45 on Wednesday evenings. Please call the church at 683-5538 if the doors are locked and you need in.**

#### **KIDS & YOUTH MINISTRIES**

- \* **A preschool/nursery room** *Childcare for this age group is currently not available*—If you would like to volunteer, contact the church office.
- \* **King's Kids** is for children in Grades K-5. Children participate in activities to strengthen their relationship with God and with each other. **PARENTS** - Please stop by room 100A to pick up your children by 7:30.
- \* **Confirmation** is for grades 6-8. This class prepares students for their eighth-grade confirmation. This class meets in rooms 106 & 107. **Parents** - remember to meet your youth at entrance #4 at 7:30.
- \* **IMPACT!** is for grades 9-12 which includes Bible studies, community building, servant activities and fun! Meet in rooms 108 & 109.

## **ADULT CONNECT GROUP MINISTRIES**

**Adult Connect Groups meet from 6:30—7:25pm**

\***Adult Praise Choir** will meet on Wednesdays, from 6:30—7:25 pm in the Worship Center. Contact Valerie Mack & Nancy Wesche if you have questions.

\***Adult Bible Study:** We will be viewing a 15-minute video each week from the Right Now Media series called "The Grave Robber" by Mark Batterson. This study explores the 7 miracles of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. Batterson seeks to show us that miracles are not just something Jesus did in Bible times. God does miracles every day. The question is, are we in tune with what He is doing and what He wants to do in our lives today? Jeana Jones will lead this study in room 110 from 6:30—7:25 pm. The cost of the study guide (optional) will be \$8.00 each and will be payable to Jeana Jones.

\***Bell Choir** - The Adult Bell Choir meets on Wednesday evenings from 7:30—8:15 in the Worship Center. This choir could use 2 more ringers. **Contact Joyce Woods if you are interested or have questions.**

### **THURSDAY**

**FEEDING YOUR FAITH** - We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month to prepare a meal for and serve at CrossOver Recovery Center! We meet at 10:00 am to prepare the meal. At noon we'll serve meals followed by a devotion and discussion time. Risen Savior provides this meal to men and women, who are homeless or live at/below the poverty line, working on their recovery from drug & alcohol addiction. Questions? Contact Laurie Casey.

**BOARD OF OUTREACH** - The Board of Outreach will meet on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 pm. Please contact Laurie Casey if you cannot attend the meeting.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL** - Every Thursday evening at 6:00 pm, there is recreational basketball for men 21 y/o and older in the multipurpose room. Contact Tim Steinert if you have questions.

**FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED** - The Fellowship Hall is reserved on Thursday from 6—9 pm for Jazz Band Practice.

**ROOM 100 RESERVED** - Room 100 is reserved for Fairmount Board Meeting at 6:30 pm on Thursday.

### **FRIDAY**

**#6 OVER EASY** - This men's connect group meets each Friday at **8am** at Fairmount Coffee Co. They are studying the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome. Contact Pastor Wiechman with questions.

**W.I.L.D. G.I.R.L.S** - W.I.L.D. G.I.R.L.S. (Women In Lifelong Development Growing In Relationships and Loving Spiritually) is using the book, "Jesus in the Wild" to study Jesus' time in the Wilderness. We meet the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 9am in Room 100. For more information please contact Carol Garrett.



**SENIOR GAME TIME** - Now meets twice a month on the first and third Fridays of the month at 10:30am in Room 110. Use Entrance #2. Contact Lois Herbel with questions.

**FOOD PANTRY AT INWOOD** - We will open the Food Pantry at Inwood Apartment Complex on Friday, April 19 from 2:30 - 5 pm. If you would like to meet some great people and help meet a need in our community, contact Laurie Casey!



### **SATURDAY**

**SEW-JOURNERS IN STITCHES** - The Sew-Journers is meeting on Saturday, April 20 from 9 am to noon in the Fellowship Hall to make quilts for Mission groups and Prayer Quilts ministry. Everyone is welcome. Contact Set Saathoff for questions.

### **SUNDAY**

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** - Get your Blood pressure checked in the Health & Wellness office on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. This is provided by several member volunteers who are medical personnel! It is offered from 9:00-9:20 and 10:15-10:30 am.



**MAY INFORMATION DUE** - Please get your May information to the church office by Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> if you'd like it to be included in the May 2024 Calendar and Announcement Pages.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**DONATIONS FOR GAMMON ELEMENTARY (ONGOING NEED)** - Gammon needs donations of individually packaged crackers (no sugary snacks) for their Newcomers Program (they have a late lunch and have difficulty focusing when hungry). Please bring donations to the church office. (See the "thank you card" from the Newcomers at the coffee bar area).

**PEACE ANDOVER 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** - Peace Lutheran Church, 405 W. 21st St, in Andover invites you to celebrate 40 years of ministry on Sunday, April 21st at 4pm. A service of celebration will be held with a dinner to follow.

**COLLEGE FINALS GOODIE BOX** - We will assemble goodie boxes to mail and hand out to our college students to support them during finals week on Tuesday, April 30th at 1pm. Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**THIRD TUESDAY BOOK CLUB** - The Book Club meet on the third Tuesday each month from 1—2 pm in Room 110. All are welcome to come and join in the discussion or just sit and listen. Feel free to bring a friend or two.

**Books for the 2024 Third Tuesday Book Club**  
May 21 **Born a Crime**, Trevor Noah (Hist Fic) along with Dessert and Decisions on Books for 2024-25

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION** - The Rite of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> during the 10:30 service. The 8th grade students will read their papers beginning promptly at 9:15 in the Worship Center. A reception for the confirmands will be held in the Gathering Place following the reading of the papers. The students being confirmed this year are Chloe Carpenter, Elijah Jaso, Jacob McGlachlin and Corbin Williams.

**LWML SALAD SUPPER** - LWML Salad Supper will be held on May 8, 6-8pm. This year the theme is "Beautiful Feet" based on Romans 10:15. See invitation in your church mailbox for more information and invite your friends!



**SERVANT EVENT AT LAME DEER, MT** - A servant event has been planned for the week of June 10-15 to the Circle of Life Lutheran Church, Lame Deer, MT (Northern Cheyenne Reservation), working on the final touches for the "Youth Lodge". Installation of a 10X16 raised wooden deck with perimeter railing and small stairway. If you and your family are interested in going or if you have any questions, contact Bruce Trapp at wta67543@gmail.com.

**LWML UPCOMING EVENTS** - Please contact Kris Alvarez (krisalvarez18@cox.net) for questions. Save the dates for the following LWML events:

- Jun 26-29, 2025 - LWML Nat'l Convention, Omaha, NE

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - We're having fun and learning a lot at Sunday School! **Grades K-5 meet in 100A & B**, the **Preschool Class meets in room 102 and the Nursery is in room 104**. Parents with children through grade 8 should accompany their children to the classroom at 9:15 am and pick them up from their classrooms at 10:15 am.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING KING'S KIDS** - King's Kids is for children in Grades K-5. Children participate in activities to strengthen their relationship with God and with each other. **PARENTS** - Please stop by room 100A to get your children by 7:30. *Nursery/Preschool age class is not available at this time.* If you are interested in helping contact Brianna Burns (appelbp01@gmail.com).

## JR. YOUTH - GRADE 6-8

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Grades 6-8 meet in rooms 106 and 107. Parents should accompany their Jr. Youth to the classroom at 9:15 am and pick them up from their classroom at 10:15 am. They are studying "Prayer, the Youth Series" by Francis Chan on Right Now Media. See Debby Wilson or Jed Heath if you have questions.

**CONFIRMATION SERVANT HOURS** - There are all kinds of servant hours available here at Risen Savior! Contact the church office.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** - This class meets on Wednesday evenings for those in grades 6-8 from 6:30-7:30. Please bring your confirmation notebook, Bible, Catechism and a pen or pencil. The 6th Graders meet in the Library, the 7th Graders in room 105 and 8th Graders in rooms 106 & 107. Contact Set (set@risensavior.net) if you have questions.

**2024 MIDDLE SCHOOL HUDDLE** - The 2024 Middle School Huddle event is Friday, April 19 - Saturday, April 20 at the Rock Springs 4H Center near Junction City. Middle schoolers (6th – 8th grade) and adult leaders from across the Kansas District will come together for worship, Bible study, service, and fellowship. Those registered to go: Avery Heath, Elijah Jaso, Kaitlyn Jones and Natalie Perkins.

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## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

April 19-20: Middle School Huddle, Rock Springs  
April 24: Questioning By Peers  
May 1: Wednesday Evening Closing Event  
May 5: Confirmation Sunday

## SR. YOUTH - GRADES 9-12

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - The Sr. Youth meet in rooms 108 and 109 each Sunday morning. Bring your Bible! See Marc Jones or Set Saathoff if you have questions.

**IMPACT!** - The Sr. Youth meet weekly on Wednesday, from 6:30-7:30 pm in rooms 108 and 109. Please contact Shane Saathoff at shane@thesaathoffs.us for questions.

**SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL!!** - It's time to round up 6-8 of your favorite pictures for our Sr. Video to be shown in May! The pictures can include baby pictures through your Sr. year! Please email them to set@risensavior.net **ASAP!**

**SR. YOUTH SERVANT EVENT** - Another opportunity to raise money for future events including LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, which is coming up next year. Maggie Goering is looking for assistance with some yard work including picking up branches and moving some

leaves and potted plants. If you are available to help on the afternoon of Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>, please let Shane know and he will confirm the time with you. We need your response by this Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**KANSAS DISTRICT LVR CAMP** - The Kansas District Camp at Lutheran Valley Retreat in Colorado will be held June 2-7, 2024! LVR is a great place for youth to make friends from all across Kansas that share their same beliefs and have intentional time every day to grow closer to God! They also have the chance to go hiking, ziplining, fishing, horseback riding, archery, throw tomahawks, participate in challenge courses, and so much more. Those registered to go: Chloe Carpenter, Elijah Jaso, Nolan Jones and Koehn Wilson. See Shane Saathoff if you have questions.

**LCMS YOUTH GATHERING 2025!** - The 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering will be held in New Orleans July 19-23, 2025! Start saving your \$\$ now - if you begin saving \$10-\$20/month now you will have a good start on your of funding for this event!

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

April 21: Sr. Youth Servant Event  
May 1: Wednesday Evening Closing Event  
June 2-7: LVR  
July 19-23, 2025: LCMS Youth Gathering

## **FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES**

**COLLEGE AGED** - A Bible Study Group for all college students and college aged young adults meets at Fairmount Coffee Co. on Tuesday evenings at 7. We are starting a new study "God's Not Dead" which helps you understand what you believe and equip you with the knowledge to defend your faith when you're asked hard questions.

**FOOD FOR FAIRMOUNT** - Thank you for your generosity towards the Fairmount Blessing Box! They are requesting pull-top canned goods or easy open pouches. Some very popular items are individual Mac-n-cheese containers, granola bars, individual fruit cups, snack mixes, cereal and ramen.

**FAIRMOUNT COFFEE CO.** - Spring drinks have arrived! Butterfly Pea Matcha Latte (hot or iced), Strawberries and Cream (iced only), Butterfly Pean Matcha Lemonade, Rosemary Honey Latte (hot or iced).

**FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES UPDATE** - Fairmount has extended a call to Hannah Hayden to be our Director of Discipleship and Engagement. Please keep Hannah, Fairmount, and her current congregation in your prayers as she comes for a visit and makes her decision.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

**PLEASE CHECK FIRST** - Please make sure to check with the church office before scheduling an event at the church to avoid conflicts with other scheduled activities.

**FAMILY MAILBOXES** - Check your family box each week! Family mailboxes are located in the hallway next to the coffee bar in the Gathering Place.

## **FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

- If you would like to provide flowers for the Altar on a particular Sunday, please sign up on the flower chart, located by the information table. Please order the flowers to be delivered to the church by noon on the Friday before. If you have any questions or would like to use vases from the church, call the church office (316-683-5538).

**DILLONS COMMUNITY REWARDS** - Thank you to all who have enrolled! Your help supports our Youth Ministries and has been a great blessing! Pick up the blue instruction sheet at the information table or contact Shane Saathoff (shane@thesaathoffs.us) for help. When you shop at Dillon's and swipe your Plus Shoppers Card, Risen Savior receives a portion of your purchase.

**REACH OUT FOR OUTREACH** - Handmade cards are available at the church for a Suggested Donation (noted on each card) with ALL proceeds supporting Risen Savior's Community **OutReach**. Please see the Rotating Rack outside the church office to select your cards. Many types of cards are offered. Please see Carol Garrett with any questions.

**DIRECTORY UPDATES** - If you would like information about our online directory, go to [www.risensavior.net](http://www.risensavior.net) and click on "Membership Directory" under News & Events.

**PICTURES!** - If you have pictures you would like to send in to the church office of your Bible study or church activity, you may send them to: [pics@risensavior.net](mailto:pics@risensavior.net).

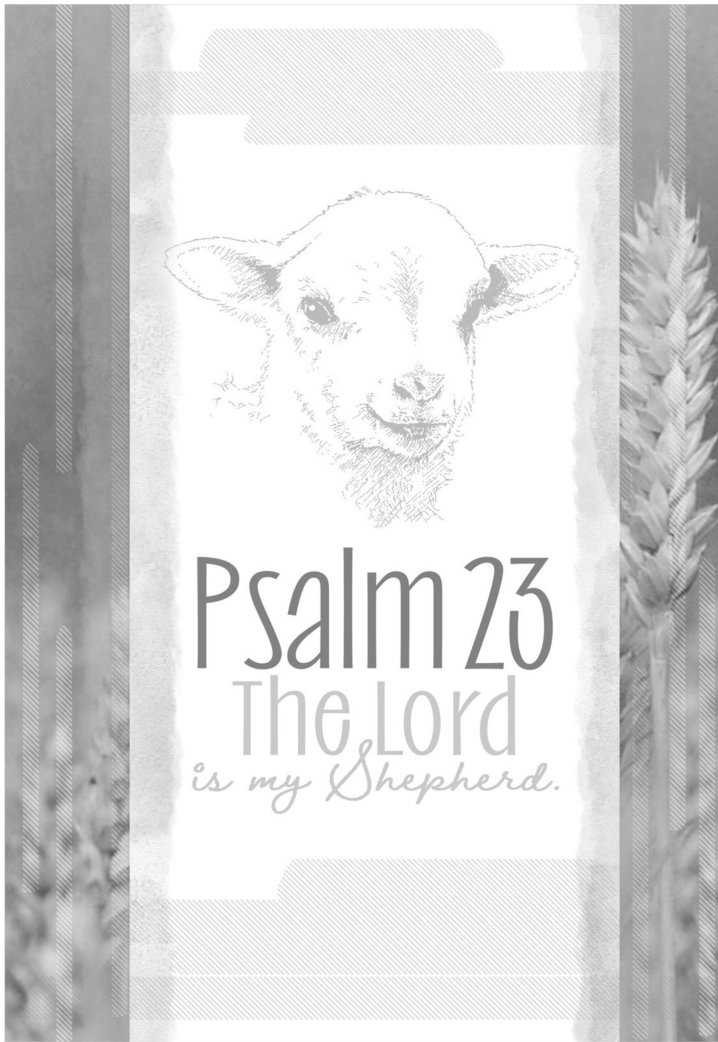
**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR RISEN SAVIOR** - You can view the complete plan in a manual located at the sign up table in the Fellowship Hall and in the church office. If you would like to be a part of the Emergency Response Team, or have any questions, please contact Angie Fischer or Laurie Casey.

**SEE SOMETHING THAT'S BROKEN?** - Toilet not flushing? Burnt out light bulb? Door not latching properly? If you see something around the church that needs fixed, please email: [fixit@risensavior.net](mailto:fixit@risensavior.net).

**PRAYER PAGES** - Please keep our Prayer Pages updated by contacting the church office with changes.

**FAITH AT WORK** - The LCMS Kansas District invites you to participate in the first annual Faith at Work month starting this April! Faith at Work is an annual District-wide service event where groups of all ages and skill sets find needs within their local communities to serve throughout the month. Each spring, beginning in 2024, they would like to encourage every person, young and old, to serve friends and neighbors in their communities in the name of Jesus. See the flyer in the Gathering Place for ideas on how you can show your Faith at Work!





**Thank you**

- The Praise Team for all the extra music!
- The Praise Choir for the special anthems!
- The Bell Choir for the special anthem!
- The Children’s Choir for singing on Easter!
- The Preschool Praise Band for playing on Easter!
- The Scripture Readers
- The Technology Teams (Sound, Projection and Streaming)
- The Altar Guild for their extra time for worship preparation!
- The crews that decorated the Worship Center!
- Those who provided the beautiful flowers!
- The Jr. & Sr. Youth and their parents for hosting the wonderful Easter Breakfast! Thank you to those who provided food items for the breakfast!
- Those that helped with the extra cleanup that was

**Celebrations This Week!**

**Please take a moment to note those who are celebrating Birthdays, Baptismal Birthdays, and Wedding Anniversaries and acknowledge them on their special day. If your special day is not listed, please contact the church office so we can update our records.**

<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Baptismal Birthdays</u>		<u>Anniversaries</u>	
4/14	Alanah Birkholz	4/16	Tammy Birkholz	4/16	Tim & Courtney Simon
4/14	Nolan Jones	4/17	Judy Fox		
4/14	Velda Meyer	4/17	Connie Johnston		
4/15	Whit Rickman				
4/16	Kaitlyn Jones				
4/16	Kenna Schuckman				
4/16	Carl Woods				
4/18	Kay Meyer				
4/19	Morgan Holt				
4/21	Karlie Castaneda				
4/21	Grayden Sowders				

General Fund Offerings March 2024	Phase 3 Offerings March 2024	Monthly General Amount Needed for 2024 Work Program	Monthly Phase 3 Amount Needed for 2024 Work Program
\$74,136.73	\$5,800.00	\$65,415.25	\$18,508.72

# Schedule of Ministries and Events at Risen Savior this Week!

April 14 – April 21, 2024

<b>TODAY:</b>	<b>Worship Services</b>	<b>8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b>
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	9:15 - 10:15 am
<b>MONDAY:</b>	<b>Office Closed—Staff work remotely</b>	
	Westsiders	6:30 pm
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	Together in His Word - Room 110	10:00 - 11:30 am
	Book Club Road Trip to Hutchinson	9:00 am
	Board of Adult Ministries - Room 111	11:45 am
	GriefShare - Room 110	6:00 - 7:30 pm
	Fellowship Hall Reserved for HOA Meeting	7:00 - 9:00 pm
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	Staff Meeting	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm
	Praise Team Rehearsal	5:45 pm
	<b>Wednesday Evening Ministries</b>	
	King's Kids - Grades K-5 - Room 100A	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	Confirmation - Grades 6-8 - Room 106/107	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	IMPACT! - Grades 9-12 - Rooms 108/109	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	Adult Praise Choir - Worship Center	6:30 - 7:25 pm
	Adult Bible Study - Room 110	6:30 - 7:25 pm
	Bell Choir - Worship Center	7:30 - 8:15 pm
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	Feeding Your Faith @ CrossOver Recovery Center	10:00 am - 1:00 pm
	Board of Outreach Meeting	3:15 pm
	Men's Basketball - Gym	6:00 pm
	Fellowship Hall Reserved for Jazz Band Practice	6:00 - 9:00 pm
	Fairmount Board Meeting - Room 100	6:30 pm
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	#6 Over Easy @ Fairmount Coffee Co.	8:00 am
	W.I.L.D. G.I.R.L.S. - Room 100	9:00 - 10:30 am
	Senior Game Time	10:30 am
	Inwood Food Pantry	2:30 - 5:00 pm
	Jr. Youth Leaving for Middle School Huddle	3:30 pm
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	Sew-Journers - Fellowship Hall	9:00 am - Noon
	Jr. Youth Returning from Middle School Huddle	4:00 p.m.
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>Worship Services with Holy Communion</b>	<b>8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b>
	Information for May Due to the Church Office	
	Blood Pressure Checks - Health & Wellness Office	9:00 - 9:20 am & 10:15 - 10:30 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	9:15 - 10:15 am