

1st Presbyterian Church Newsletter
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The season of
EPIPHANY
we see the Light!

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Celebrating Christ's love for all people

Pastor's Page:

A Brief Statement of Faith of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

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In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers into the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls people to all ministries of the Church.

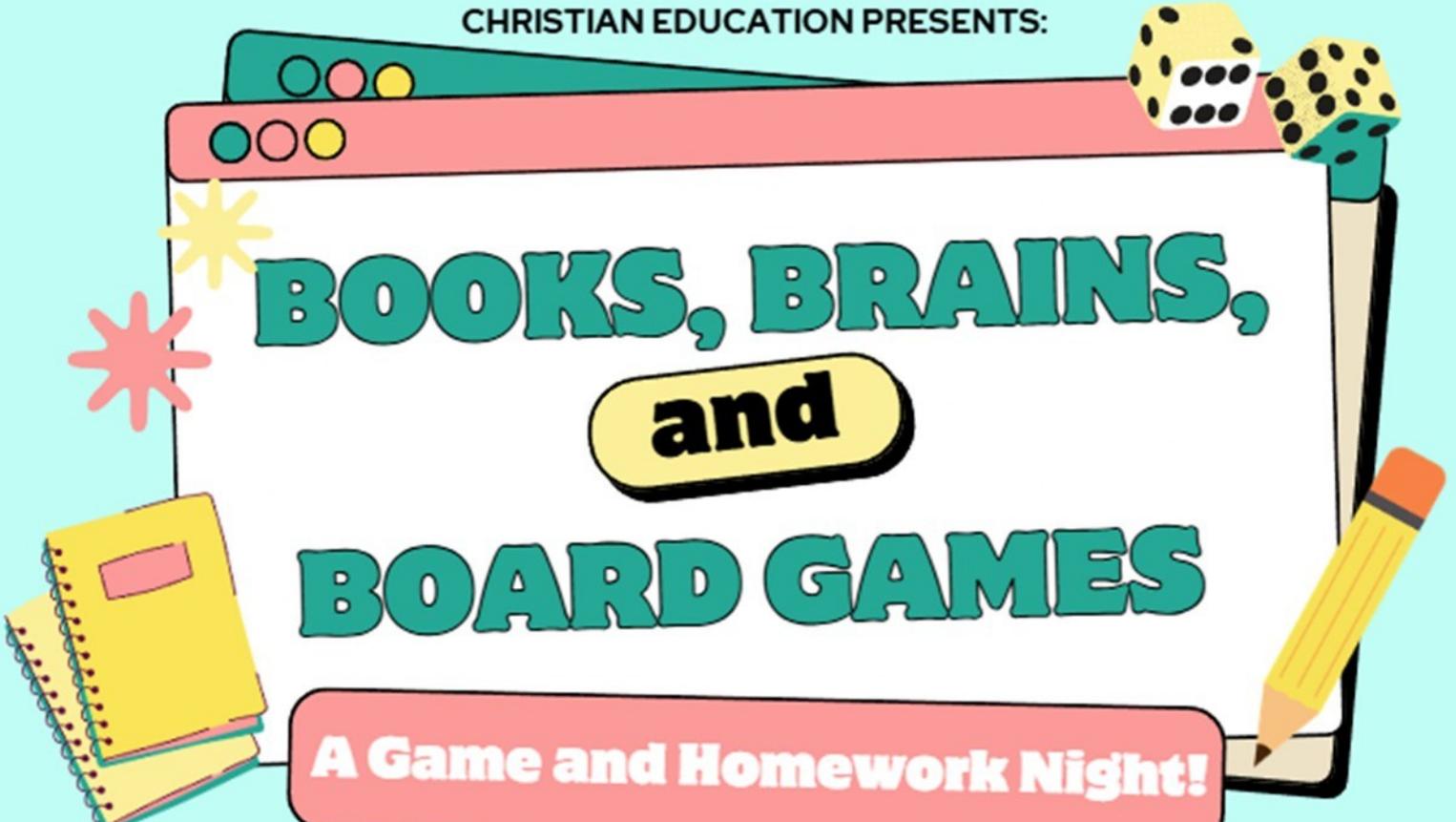
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

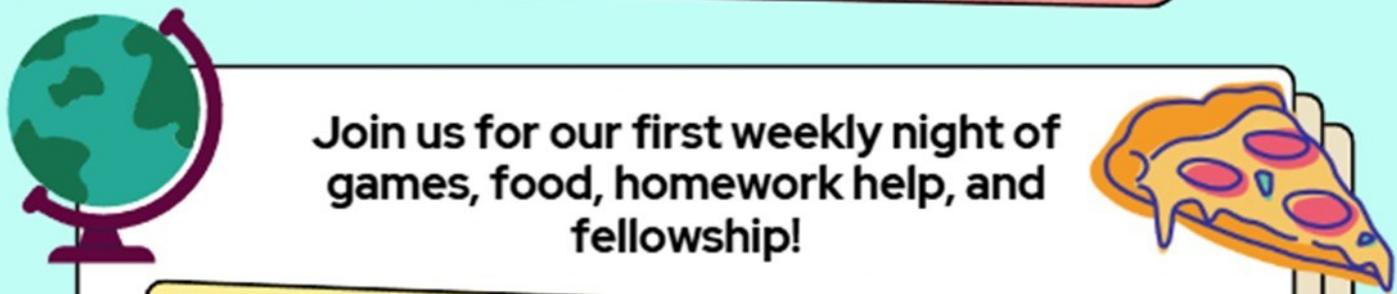


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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PRESENTS:

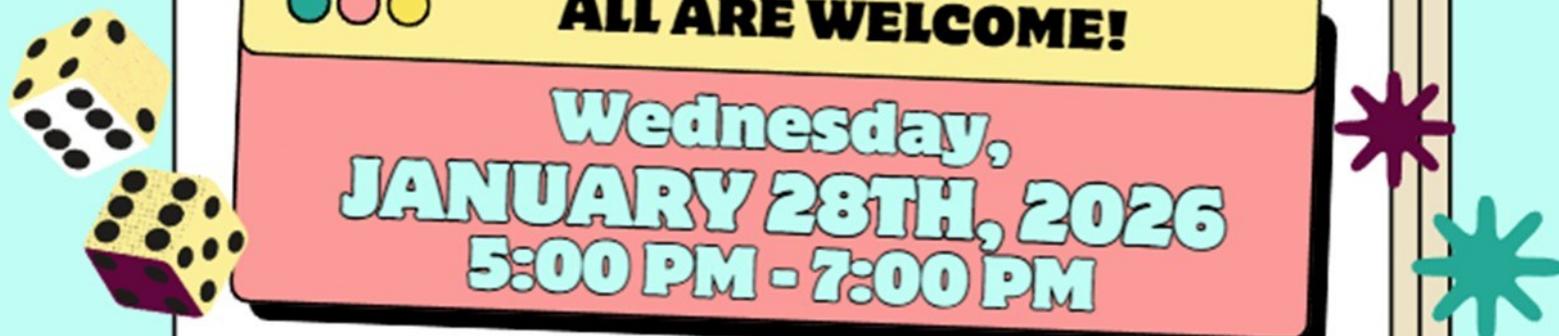


BOOKS, BRAINS, and BOARD GAMES

A Game and Homework Night!

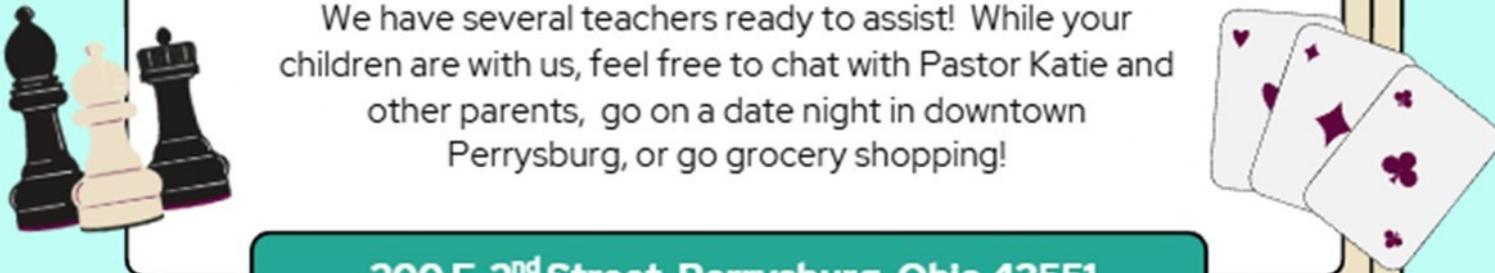


Join us for our first weekly night of
games, food, homework help, and
fellowship!



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Wednesday,
JANUARY 28TH, 2026
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM



Drop by any time for some fun or homework help!
We have several teachers ready to assist! While your
children are with us, feel free to chat with Pastor Katie and
other parents, go on a date night in downtown
Perrysburg, or go grocery shopping!

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Obituary:

Jean Helen Labagh Kiskaddon, 99, formerly of New York City and recently of Perrysburg, Ohio, passed away, after a brief illness on January 3, 2026. She was preceded in death by her husband of 58-years, Charles Graham Kiskaddon, Jr. and her parents, William Harry Labagh and Helen Junker Labagh.

Born in Newark, New Jersey on May 9, 1926, Jean graduated from Bogota High school in 1943. That same year she entered Bates College, in Lewiston, Maine and graduated in 1947, as a member of the Key Club and Phi Beta Kappa, with a degree in mathematics.

On November 6, 1948, Jean and Graham were married in the First Presbyterian Church of Hackensack, New Jersey.

Jean is survived by her four children: Kathryn Jean Kiskaddon Wood and spouse Glenn Tyler Wood of Otisfield, Maine, Charles William Kiskaddon and spouse Wendie Virginia Wood Kiskaddon of Perrysburg, Ohio, Christine Emily Kiskaddon Schultz and spouse Roy David Schultz of Detroit, Michigan and Harry Graham Kiskaddon and spouse Gulay Seyhan Kiskaddon of Dunedin, Florida. She loved her ten grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

In 1979, after years of moving homes, because of Graham's corporate transfers with Alcoa Aluminum, raising four vigorous children, enjoying swimming, biking and hiking, volunteering, advocating for social justice and peace, and actively participating in many local churches, Jean took a new path. One of eight women in her class, she graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. In October 1979, she was ordained at 5th Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City. At age 53 years, she began a 40 plus-year career serving as a Presbyterian minister. Most of that time was spent as an interim minister in New York City, Eastern Long Island, Northeast Pennsylvania, and Wyoming. During that time, she married and baptized many of her family. A gifted speaker and writer, voracious reader, lifelong learner, student of politics, and progressive theologian, Jean used her voice and position to stand up for others and what was right. She shattered many stereotypes of a settled pastor. Rev. Jean, Grandma Jean, GG Jean was a continuous inspiration to her family and all she met.

Jean was as an avid traveler from Florida to Wyoming, New Caledonia to China, Alaska to Switzerland, Italy to Russia, Hawaii to Puerto Rico. No matter how intense her meeting schedules and travel itineraries were, she always enjoyed taking time for a swim in the ocean or a walk in the mountains.

A memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 24, 2026, at the First Presbyterian Church of Perrysburg, Ohio at 11 a.m. All are welcome to join the family following the service at a reception in the church fellowship hall. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the First Presbyterian Church, Perrysburg, Ohio.

Celebrating God's Blessings in 2025

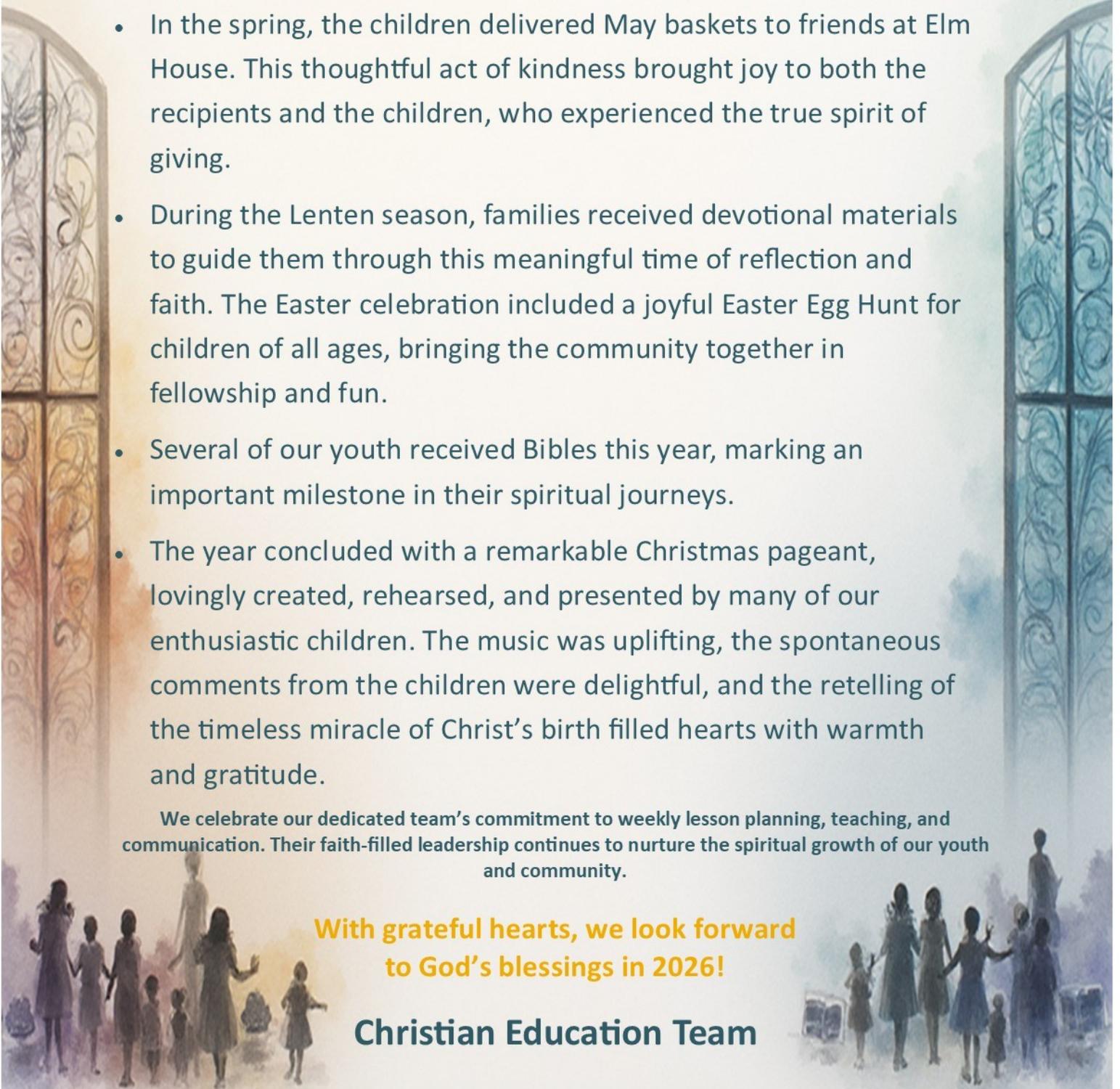
As we welcome 2026, the Christian Education team reflects on the many blessings and accomplishments of 2025.

- The year began with CE's participation in the Job Fair, where the team showcased the innovative curriculum and experiences provided for the youth. The children proudly demonstrated how the teachings of the Bible and group discussions equip them with tools to use in their daily lives.
- In the spring, the children delivered May baskets to friends at Elm House. This thoughtful act of kindness brought joy to both the recipients and the children, who experienced the true spirit of giving.
- During the Lenten season, families received devotional materials to guide them through this meaningful time of reflection and faith. The Easter celebration included a joyful Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages, bringing the community together in fellowship and fun.
- Several of our youth received Bibles this year, marking an important milestone in their spiritual journeys.
- The year concluded with a remarkable Christmas pageant, lovingly created, rehearsed, and presented by many of our enthusiastic children. The music was uplifting, the spontaneous comments from the children were delightful, and the retelling of the timeless miracle of Christ's birth filled hearts with warmth and gratitude.

We celebrate our dedicated team's commitment to weekly lesson planning, teaching, and communication. Their faith-filled leadership continues to nurture the spiritual growth of our youth and community.

**With grateful hearts, we look forward
to God's blessings in 2026!**

Christian Education Team



Community Outreach



PCU: January 25th "One Day Sunday" - Canned Vegetables

2026 MISSION PLEDGE IS \$2,000

The Table: January 21st - Entrée is Beef Stroganoff

Please join us at The Table, in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.



SAVE THE DATE
FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT



TOLEDO WALLEYE

SUNDAY

MARCH 8, 2026

Faith Family Fellowship

Join us for a night to remember!

Huntington Center - Toledo, Ohio



January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11 10am Worship	12	13 10am Bible Study 6pm Session	14 Pastor KRT vacation→ 6pm AlAnon	15	16 5:45pm Toastmasters	17
18 10am Worship	19 	20 ←Pastor KRT vacation 10am Bible Study 4:30pm Property Team	21 5pm The Table 6pm AlAnon	22	23	24 11am Memorial Service 12pm Luncheon
25 8:30am NVC Book Study 10am Worship	26 5pm Cong Life Team meeting	27 10am Bible Study	28 5pm Books, Brains, & Boards 6pm AlAnon	29	30 5:45pm Toastmasters	31

UPCOMING WORSHIP LEADERS:

January 11: Stephen Potts, Jay & Jo Salvage, Matt Hollar/Michelle Chavez, Kathy Jarosz

January 18: Don Youel, Rauscher Family, Marti Clayton, Gretchen Downs

January 25: Don Youel, Tom & Karen Lingeman, Megan/Jane Merrell, Stephen Potts

February 1: Stephen Potts, David Nunn & Marty Sloan, Rick/Mary Beth Gilts, Nancy Gates

Communion: Kathy East and Kathy Jarosz, David and Susan Rowland Miller

February 8: Don Youel, Lowrie Gilmore, Carlee Campbell, Kathy Jarosz

February 15: Stephen Potts, Cecilia Richardson & Delbert Duckins/Marty Sloan, Allison Mackin, Gretchen Downs

February 22: Don Youel, Sarah & Lizzie Crawford/Allison Mackin, Rhyn Davies, Stephen Potts

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>8:30am NVC Book Study</p> <p>10am Worship Communion</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10am Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5pm Worship & Music Team</p> <p>5pm Books, Brains, & Boards</p> <p>6pm AlAnon</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5pm Mission & Vision Team</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8:30am NVC Book Study</p> <p>10am Worship</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10am Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm Session</p>	<p>11</p> <p>5pm Books, Brains, & Boards</p> <p>6pm AlAnon</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> 
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