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*"You have set all the borders of the earth;
You have made summer and winter."*

Psalm 74:17

Bible Quiz

As the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, they longingly remembered some of the foods they'd had in Egypt. Which foods were not mentioned?

- A. carrots and potatoes
- B. onions and garlic
- C. fish and leeks
- D. melons and cucumbers

A collection of colorful illustrations of various foods: a watermelon, a potato, a carrot, a leek, a fish, and a cucumber.

Answer: A (See Numbers 11:4-6)

Pastor's Letter

Hello Christ Church!

So it's time to share a little more about myself! I am a child of the 1960s which is something that manifests itself in many ways. My parents were never wealthy so we never did any "See the USA in a Chevrolet" vacations. Their idea of vacation was to go to a cabin up north for a week and fish. Any traveling I did in my childhood was via books. You may recall from Christmas Eve how much I love to read. I grew up during the Civil War centennial which sparked a lifelong interest for me not only in history in general but especially that crucial time in our nation's history.

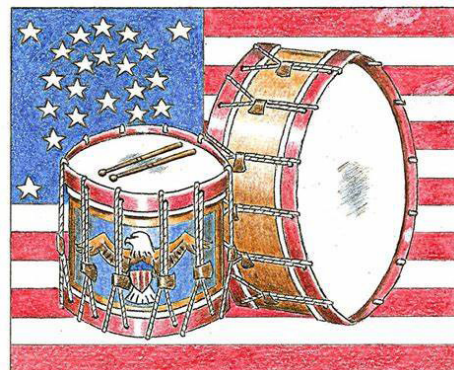
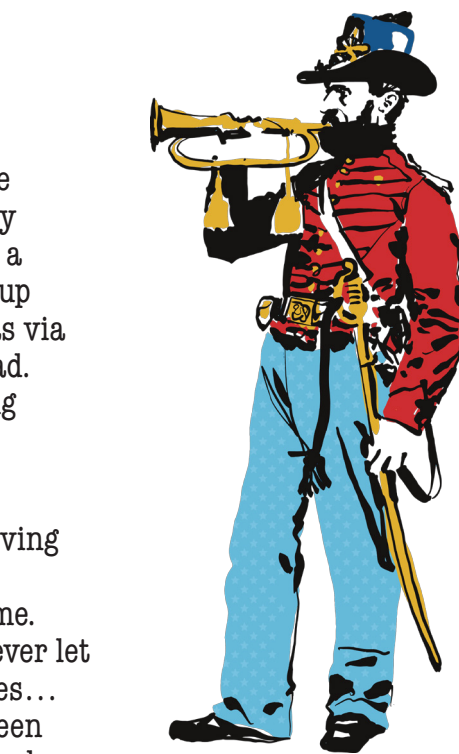
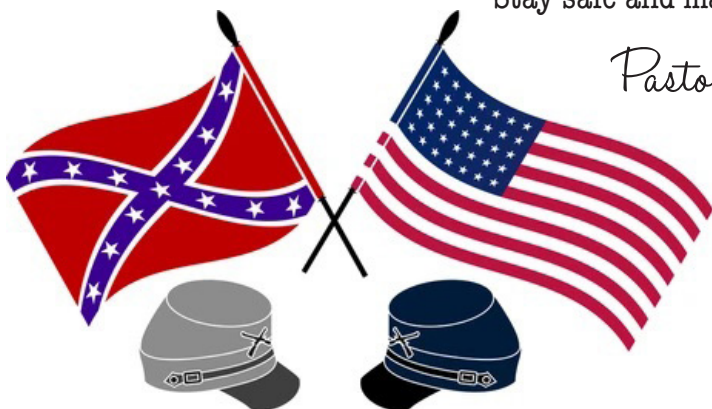
Throughout my 20's and 30's, I was involved in doing Civil War living history programs, most often with the National Park Service. In 1977 at the tender age of 22, I visited Gettysburg for the first time. Something about that place grabbed a hold of me then and has never let loose. Believe it or not, I have been to Gettysburg over thirty times... and also believe it or not, I always find something new I hadn't seen before. When Covid eased up last spring, Gettysburg was the first place Julie and I headed. I think she has probably been there at least a dozen times herself! Just as an aside, we do know where all the quilt shops are in that part of Pennsylvania.

I told you all that so I can tell you this. On Monday, June 6th, I'll be heading back to the Holy Ground for another visit. I'm excited because this time, I am going just by myself. You probably think I'm crazy for going back there so many times, but I love to walk the fields there and remember. I remember what happened back there in 1863, and I also remember friends who I have been there with in the past, many of whom have passed on. It is a holy time for me.

I'll be back with you on Sunday, June 19th to celebrate Father's Day, but meanwhile we are blessed to have Jim Wick fill our pulpit on June 12th. I'm not sure about all that Jim will share with us, but I asked him to reflect on his time working with our confirmands and what he may have gained from that experience. He and Rich Tremarello went over and above in sharing their time and talents with our youth and we owe them a big thank you. Your presence on Confirmation Sunday, June 5th, will be one way you can express your gratitude for their work. Also on that Sunday, Gloria Konkel will be playing the organ so you don't want to miss that.

Stay safe and may God bless you all!

Pastor Andy





Liturgists

June 5 | July 3 & 31 Doris Mayeshiba
 June 12 | July 10 Randene Wick
 June 19 | July 17 Jill Unglaub
 June 26 | July 24 Julie Oren

Share Our Suppers Volunteers Needed



During the month of May hosts have had cool weather and some rainy Friday nights that required serving meals from inside the Lenox Street door. The number of meals served has varied with the extra food taken to Hope House on Saturdays. We are always glad to have new volunteers on a Friday night. Set up is 4:45 and clean up is at 6 PM. Contact Jim or Randene Wick to sign-up. jameswick73@gmail.com or 414-614-2612

Share Our Suppers Schedule

June 3 Dean & Mary Ann Mowery
 June 10 _____
 June 17 Dean & Pam Kothrade
 June 24 _____
 July 1 _____

QUILTING SUMMER SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 14 , 9:30-12

Tuesday, July 12, 9:30 - 12

Tuesday, August 16, 9:30 -12

Quilters will meet in the Fellowship Hall for June and July as the quilt room is being used by YouthWorks.

CROCHETING/KNITTING SUMMER SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 14 and June 28 at 10am

Crocheting/Knitting group will take a summer break in July and August.



There will be no Choir or Handbell rehearsals over summer.



Rite of Confirmation

Sunday, June 5th

9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Everyone is invited to a celebration in the Fellowship Hall following the church service.

Membership Meeting

Sunday, June 12 at 10:45pm

Matthew 13:43
 "Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father."



FERMENTING THE FAITH

Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30 PM | Humboldt Park Beer Garden

A book titled *If the Church Were Christian, Rediscovering the Values of Jesus* by Philip Gulley will be available for you to read. (It's also available on Amazon as an audio book.) The author provides insightful thoughts about what the church would look like if it refocused on the real priorities of Jesus. Discussion in June will focus on Chapter 1, "Jesus would be a model for living rather than on object of worship". Jim Wick will have copies of the book available for you to read.

There are a variety of beverages and snacks available at the beer garden. No purchases are needed to enjoy an evening of conversation.

p.s. If your schedule is too busy and you haven't had time to read the chapter, come to join in the conversation.

As I write this article, I am literally days away from retirement. As many of you can understand, although this is the day I've been longing for all my working life, now that it has arrived, my emotions are mixed. I suppose it has something to do with my frame of mind and age/physical ability at this point. If I could have retired at age/physical shape when I was 35 with the financial security that took until age 65 to build, I don't think I'd have any mixed emotions at all. I couldn't pick and choose my retirement age and retirement income separately. They come as a package deal.

Similarly, I think our lives come as package deals. We can't choose when we'll have an opportunity to do God's work or make a positive impact. We must use the opportunity we have today, to do something today, using the abilities we have today. We can't wait for the perfect mix of "the right time", "when I have time", or "when I have more money".

I doubt anyone would argue that the societal change we've seen in the last 50 years have been dramatic. It always amazes me to see how far we have come technologically and how far we've slipped socially. I, like anyone else, have no idea what the future holds, but I do feel that the time is coming soon when professing to be a Christian will no longer indicate someone is in the mainstream of society, but put them in another generically accepted classification fringe with all the other accepted clubs and cults.

My message is not meant to be pessimistic. It is meant to point out that we have opportunities to put forth an effort to change what is happening. But, like my retirement dilemma, those opportunities are not going to come perfectly timed and allow us to pick and choose what to do or when to do it. Or even necessarily when we're "comfortable" doing it. I can say that the answer to the question of what to do is simply what needs to be done. We have a perfect teacher; model His actions. The time to do it? Now! Get involved. Be active in your church. Let your light shine so that everyone can see your good works and glorify your Father who is heaven. Our church needs what you've got. Our world needs what our church has got. I realize this is an overwhelming concept, but one man over two thousand years ago changed the world, and He has given that same power to each of us.

Our new church council has been elected. In the next 30 days we will start forming a pastoral search committee. Our church needs your participation to succeed. Please do not deny yourself that opportunity and privilege.

Dean Kothrade, Council President





Here's some cool news:



If you'd like to learn how to do **loom knitting**—so you can make some hats to donate, too—please see **Ken or Susie Klockow**. He is planning on teaching it on Saturday, June 11th at 10am. He says it is easy to do and easy to learn!



Ken Klockow & his crocheting/knitting groups are going to be on the news on TMJ4's Positively Milwaukee Sunday, June 12th at 9am

Positively Milwaukee is doing a story on Ken on how he got started crocheting/knitting and how his crocheting/knitting groups made hats to donate to a charity. Ken & Susie and his Wilson Commons Crochet/Knitting group along with Joan Gaeth and Jill Unglaub together made **600 hats that were donated to Phil's Friends!** Phil's Friends is a charitable organization that provides Christ-centered support and hope to those affected by cancer by sending care packages, cards, and prayers to cancer patients, etc. If you'd like to donate knit hats to Phil's Friends, please see Ken or Susie.



ARTS AND SCIENCE LITERACY CAMP

Supplies Needed for the Summer Camps

The Arts and Science Literacy Camp, located at Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church, on Saveland Avenue, will be offering eight weeks of extended learning activities during the summer. There will be a morning session and an afternoon session with 60 campers each week. The ASLC offers educational opportunities to children across a spectrum of financial and educational needs. Christ Church has been an active partner in this community outreach program for more than ten years.

We will collect items until July 24th. Containers will be located by the office and chapel for donations. Please contribute the following items to support this literacy program:

Classroom Supplies:

This is an ongoing need and quantities vary of Kleenex • Copier paper • Paper towels • Lined notebook paper • Clorox wipes • Sidewalk chalk • Liquid hand wipes • Diaper wipes • Rubber gloves (adult large for food prep, etc) • Ziploc bags (gallon size and freezer) • N95 masks for 60 children (8 week supply) • N95 masks for 5 adults (8 week supply)

Snacks:

A week's supply of 300 items are needed. Individually wrapped items (preferably organic and nut free) such as: Gold Fish • Pretzels • Cheezits • Granola bars • Water bottles

Money to purchase fresh fruit

Amazon gift cards for supplies used for Guest Presenters

Thank you for your support! Jim Wick



Annual Meeting

Thanks to everyone who attended our annual meeting on Sunday, May 15th, whether in person or via zoom. We had exactly 40 members present, which was the absolute minimum number of members required at that time to hold the annual meeting. The annual meeting saw the adoption of a very important constitutional amendment which will allow the growth, or appreciation, portion of the Endowment Fund to be utilized in supporting our church's mission. This is an opportunity for us, and generations to come, to turn the hopes of the Endowment Fund donors into useful resources needed to accomplish the vision they had for Christ Church. That vision is to be able to continue to allow the church to minister to the world.

I want to thank all the members who agreed to serve the church by joining the council. The continuing members are Sue Pfeiffer and Chuck Terlinden. I especially want to thank the new members, Brad Charles, Ken Klockow, and Joe Rogge. These candidates have accepted a responsibility to serve the congregation. Please thank them when you see them.

The new church council held its first meeting on Tuesday, May 17th. At that meeting new officers were elected. They are as follows:

President – Dean Kothrade

Vice President – Sue Pfeiffer

Secretary – Chuck Terlinden

Financial Secretary – Joe Rogge

Treasurer – Ken Klockow

The first duty of the newly elected council will be to create a "Pastoral Search Committee". That search committee will be comprised of church members who will first create a Christ Church profile (a profile is a report detailing who we are, what our history is, what we are currently doing, and where we want to be in the future. It would also include details about our neighborhood, city, and state). The committee will then send the church profile to the United Church of Christ conference office in De Forest, Wisconsin. The conference will distribute our profile and forward back to us information on any candidates who wish to be considered as our next called pastor.

The search committee's job is to portray honestly who/what Christ Church is and what we want our future to be, as well as examine and assess each candidate who shows interest. It is an opportunity to grow personally while shaping the future. I would highly recommend the experience to anyone. *Dean Kothrade, Christ Church Council President*



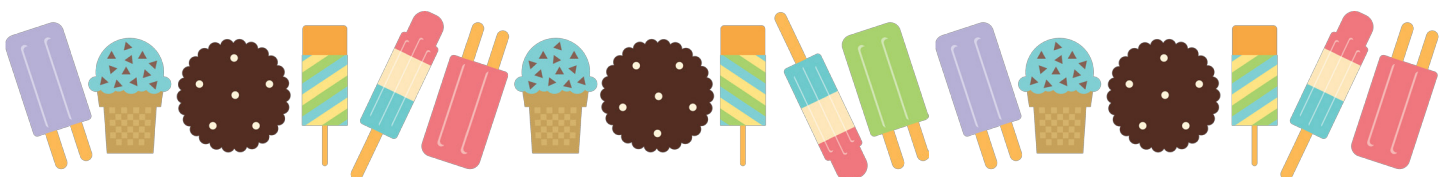
YOUTHWORKS at Christ Church

Our congregation will again host YouthWorks this summer at Christ Church. YouthWorks is a program that coordinates mission projects for middle school aged children who come to Milwaukee during the summer months. This year YouthWorks will be at Christ Church from the end of May to around August 1st.

The YouthWorks Leaders—Julie, Kyle, and Nicholas—will reside inside Christ Church in the youth game room and quilting room downstairs all week. The actual mission trip participants will be here from Sunday afternoon through Friday morning each week. The number of mission trip participants will vary from week to week, but should average around 50 middle school and high school children. YouthWorks provides all meals for their participants as well as cleans up what they use. YouthWorks uses our church building to house, feed, and hold worship services.

YouthWorks gives Christ Church a stipend to cover utility and other costs associated with them using our building. YouthWorks buys all their own food and cleaning supplies.

So, if you happen to see younger faces around the church, and possibly in worship, from the end of May through August 1st, please say "hi" and welcome them as sisters and brothers in Christ. Please keep in mind that we are literally housing the next generation of Christians. Let's be good examples for them. *Dean Kothrade*





We celebrate with YOU!

Congratulations to our Confirmands!!!

Isabelle Noelle Berger

Benjamin Mark Pfeifer

Evangeline Jude Tremarello

Isabella Sophia Tremarello

Aidan J. Vail

We are so proud of you and are praying for your spiritual journey! May you always go where the Lord leads you!

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

Please pray for our graduates and confirmands as they start their new adventures with God.



CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES!

Andrew Vail, the son of Michelle and Dan Vail and grandson of Joan Amich, is graduating from Ronald Reagan College Prep High School this May. He will be attending UW-Milwaukee in the fall.



Nicolas Luebstorf, grandson of Noelle and Jon Simons, will be graduating from Waukesha South high school. In the fall he will be attending Tennessee Tech for a degree in Computer Science.

Isabelle Berger will graduate from Franklin Middle School. She will then attend Franklin High School. Isabelle is the granddaughter of Noelle and Jon Simons.

Katelyn Beiley, Jerry Goebel's granddaughter, is graduating from South Milwaukee High School. In the fall, she will attend Milwaukee Area Technical College where she will pursue becoming a firefighter/paramedic.

Alyssa Mayeshiba, daughter of Brian Mayeshiba and granddaughter of Doris & Paul Mayeshiba, is graduating from Ronald Reagan High School. She plans on attending MATC's Baking and Pastry Arts program.

Elena Collins, Darlene's daughter, is graduating from Heritage Christian School. She is planning on attending Waukesha County Technical College to study Criminal Justice. After that she will continue on to get a degree in Criminology.

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."



Happy Father's Day



"Lord, please bless our fathers

and keep them; make
Your face to shine upon
them and be gracious
to them; lift up Your
countenance upon them
and give them peace."
Numbers 6:24-26

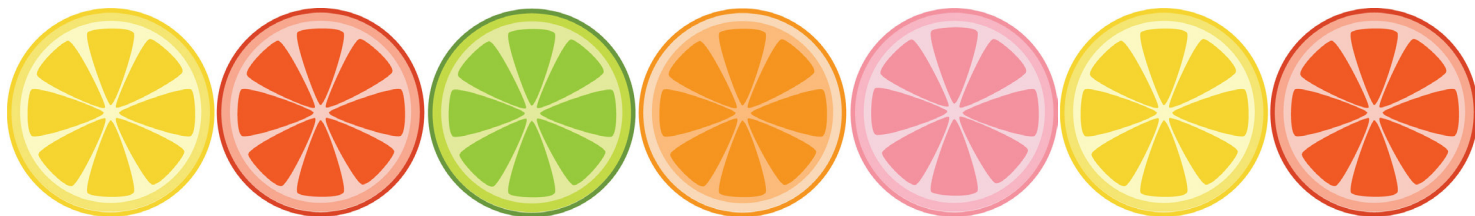
**Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
and whose hope is the Lord. Jeremiah 17:7**

**Have I not commanded you? Be strong and
of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be
dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you
wherever you go. Joshua 1:9**

**How great is the love the Father has lavished
on us, that we should be called children of
God! And that is what we are! 1 John 3:1**

**2 Corinthians 6:18 "And I will be a father to
you, and you shall be sons and daughters to
me, says the Lord Almighty." Psalm 103:13
"As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who
fear him."**

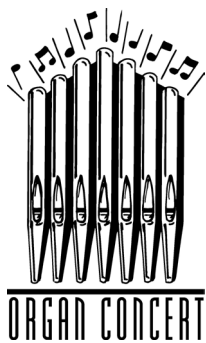




PRAYER REQUESTS over the past month

Hear Our Prayers, O God...

- Please pray for **Carla Redlin**, who desperately needs a kidney transplant.
- Pray for **Noelle S** who is hospitalized with health concerns.
- Please remember to lift up those who had recent losses in their families: **the Dayton's, the Kroening's, the Goebel's, the Struck's, Pastor Andy's friend, Marty S.**
- Prayers for **Darren L's wife, Dawn**, who is having health concerns. Treatment and support from medical staff continues with no answers yet.
- Please pray for **Dick & Joan's relative, Jerry**, for healing as he has serious medical issues.
- Prayers of thanks to God for **Darlene's son-in-law, Dan**, who is finally in a lot less pain! Pray that healing continues. **Darlene's friend, Dave**, is also doing very well after his liver transplant. Praise God!
- Pray for **Lynn S's brother-in-law, Mike**, as the cancer has returned.
- **Loretta S** asks for prayers for the father of her granddaughter-in-law, **Jeff**, who had 2 brain tumors removed. He has stage 4 cancer, and it is incurable. Jeff is making many plans to live his life to the fullest. I and his family thank you for your prayers.
- Pray for **Nancy C's brother-in-law, Jerry**, who needs chemo and a bone marrow transplant.
- Asking for prayers of healing and courage for **Dan V** in his battle against cancer and strength for his family as they navigate through this condition with him.
- Continued prayers for **Ken & Sue's son-in-law, Karl**, who is restarting chemo and for **Ken K's sister, Kathy**, who is in hospice with an infection in her hip and knee.



Announcing an *Organ Concert*

with

Matt Lawrenz (Christ Church's former organist)
and Matthew Senn

The "Musical Matt's will join together to share their love of music and their talents with the audience!

Sunday, June 5th at 11:00 AM

St. Gregory the Great Parish & School
3132 S 63rd Street, Milwaukee, WI

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It's as easy as clicking the donate button here!

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Or, go to the church website and click on the donate button at www.uccmke.org/donate.

Thank You!

BAY VIEW COMMUNITY CENTER Just a reminder that the BVCC is in need of food to help those in our community. While we are not currently doing our monthly food gathering at church, there are other ways you can donate. The BVCC is open from 9:30am to 12:30pm so you can drop off any donations directly. You can also make a monetary donation to the BVCC. Please consider supporting those families who continue to struggle providing food for their families. *The Social Concerns Committee*

Their current Wish List includes: pasta sauce • canned tuna or canned chicken/meat • pasta • mac & cheese • cereal • canned soup • jams and jellies • laundry detergent • toilet paper • dish soap • shampoo & conditioner • cleaning supplies

Thank You

To the Christ Church UCC
Peace and Plenty Quilters,

Thank you for the generous
donation of your time and talents.

The best way to find oneself is to lose
yourself in service to others.

Dear friends in Christ:

Dyakuyu.

That's the transliteration of the
Ukrainian word for "thank you."

And it seems the appropriate way to
thank all of you for your donations to
the Wisconsin Conference Ukraine
Emergency Appeal.

Thanks to your generosity, we have
raised more than \$160,000 over
the past two months, funds that are
providing food, shelter and other
essentials to refugees and internally
displaced people through our partnership
with Church World Service.

To the Ukraine, your contributions are
tangible signs that the love of God can
pierce the darkest depths of suffering.
On their behalf, I say dyakuyu.

In faith, Franz Rigert

Spiritual Services & Volunteer Services
of Froedtert Hospital

Thank you!

I'd like speak on behalf of
our entire congregation to
thank all the musicians who
have provided music for
our worship services this
year. You have given your
time and talent to express
your faith in a outward and
meaningful way. Your gift of
music touches our souls and
brings us a little closer to
our Creator. We thank you
for this most beautiful and
priceless gift. Pam K

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
BLESSING TO YOU!**



**JUNE
BIRTHDAYS**

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|---------|---------------------|
| June 1 | Adan Franco |
| June 2 | Samantha Blackwood |
| June 2 | Jade Tremarello |
| June 2 | Danette Volz |
| June 3 | Julie Oren |
| June 4 | Gerald Freitag |
| June 4 | Bruce Krogstad |
| June 5 | Jean Goedel |
| June 5 | Susan Pfeifer |
| June 6 | Julene Flanagan |
| June 8 | Joan Billstrom |
| June 9 | Joshua Zieman |
| June 11 | Sandy Miksic |
| June 11 | Jerome Zasada |
| June 12 | Ruth Boretsky |
| June 14 | Jennifer Perdue |
| June 15 | Brynn Johnson |
| June 17 | Benjamin Scheske |
| June 22 | Katelyn O'Brien |
| June 26 | Killian Robert Wick |
| June 27 | Donald Antoniewicz |
| June 28 | Ola Zyszkiewicz |
| June 29 | Lauralei Schmidling |

In Loving Memory

Thank you to Kathleen Schroeder for the
Mother's Day donation in the memory of Ann
Schroeder.

Thank you to Sue & John Dannenberg for their
donation in memory of their mothers and
grandmothers.

Thank you to Jan Naefken for the memorial gift
in honor of her very special and dear friend, Ken Michols.



Happy Retirement!

to **Dean Kothrade** who
retired on May 27th!





JUNE 2022



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Handbell Rehearsal 1pm	3 SOS 4:45pm <i>the Mowerys</i>	4
5  CONFIRMATION Service @ 9:30am Liturgist- Doris M Handbells play Reception in Fellowship Hall after service	6 Pastor Andy gone through the middle of next week	7	8	9	10 SOS 4:45pm <u>?Volunteers needed</u>	11 Crocheting 10am Learn how to do loom weaving 
12 Service @ 9:30am Liturgist- Randene Membership Meeting 10:45pm <small>*Positively Milwaukee news story on the 600 hats donated to Phil's Friends 9am</small>	13	14 Quilting 9:30am 	15 Fermenting the Faith 6:30pm @ Humboldt Park Beer Garden	16	17 SOS 4:45pm <i>the Kothrades</i>	18
19 Service @ 9:30am Liturgist- Jill U	20	21 Council Meeting 7pm	22	23	24 SOS 4:45pm <u>?Volunteers needed</u>	25 Crocheting 10am
26 Service @ 9:30am Liturgist- Julie O	27	28	29	30		

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