

#### "A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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# **MISSION STATEMENT**

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

#### WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024 4: 00 P.M. SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024 7:45 & 9:30 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

<u>VISITORS...</u> Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. Pastor Timm would love to meet you!

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER...</u> to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Pastor and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

<u>DID YOU KNOW...</u> Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

<u>LITTLE FOLKS...</u> Parents... please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

<u>BE COMFORTABLE.</u> There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

**Hearing Devices:** The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

<u>FLOWERS</u> for the altar today are given by Lois Hundtoft in memory of husband Palmer and David Donaldson in memory of daughter Amy Killam.

<u>PRAYERS</u>: Shana Flores, JoAnn Munson, Gary Demaree (brother of Dyanne Radke), Mason Fletcher, Dave Hofslien, Jerry & Lissi Grill, Anne (daughter of Jennifer Akridge Karen Kober & Susie Sorenson (friends of Barb Blank), Iva and Gary Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister and Brother in law),

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of January. God blesses our prayers.

*Is Your Phone Turned Off?* 

**PRELUDE** 

**TEMPLE TALK** 

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- P God Is Good!
- C All the time
- P All the time
- C God Is Good!

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

#### C Amen.

P We confess our sins before God and one another.

# Pause for silence and reflection.

- P Guiding God,
- C we have failed to follow you as we ought. We have not reached out to our neighbors with the selfless and sacrificial love you modeled for us. We have caused harm to others and your creation by our actions and by our unwillingness to act. Forgive us our sins and lead us back onto the path you have trod for the sake of others.
- P In Christ, God meets us where we are and as we are and for his sake, God makes us whole and holy. Go forth to follow Jesus in the knowledge that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### C Amen.



#### **GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

# **KYRIE**



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin. Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

#### **SONG OF PRAISE**



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

# **PRAYER OF THE DAY** together we pray:

Transforming God. In Christ Jesus you make all things new, turning the status quo on its head and calling us to push out of our comfort zones for the sake of others. Strengthen our faith through your holy word and meal that we might carry Jesus' message with us to the world. In his name we pray. Amen

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you
- C And also with you

#### **WORSHIP CAROL**

BELLS OF GLORY (4:00) "How Great Our Joy!"

SOLO (7;45) "All Earth Is Hopeful" Sandy Weidling

CHOIR (9:30) "Jesus Is Coming Again" (with congregation)

Refrain: Coming again, coming again! May be morning,

may be noon, may be evening and may be soon!

Coming again, coming again!

O what a wonderful day it will be, Jesus is coming again!

#### FIRST LESSON: James 2:14-17

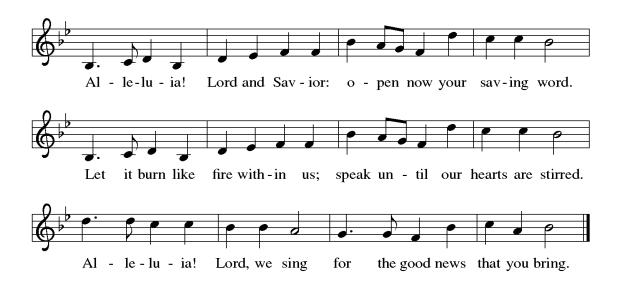
<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Surely that faith cannot save, can it? <sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food <sup>16</sup> and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? <sup>17</sup> So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

- R The Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM Psalm 41:1-4

- R Happy are those who consider the poor; [a] the LORD delivers them in the day of trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD protects them and keeps them alive; they are called happy in the land. You do not give them up to the will of their enemies.
- R <sup>3</sup> The LORD sustains them on their sickbed; in their illness you heal all their infirmities. [b]
- C <sup>4</sup> As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you."

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

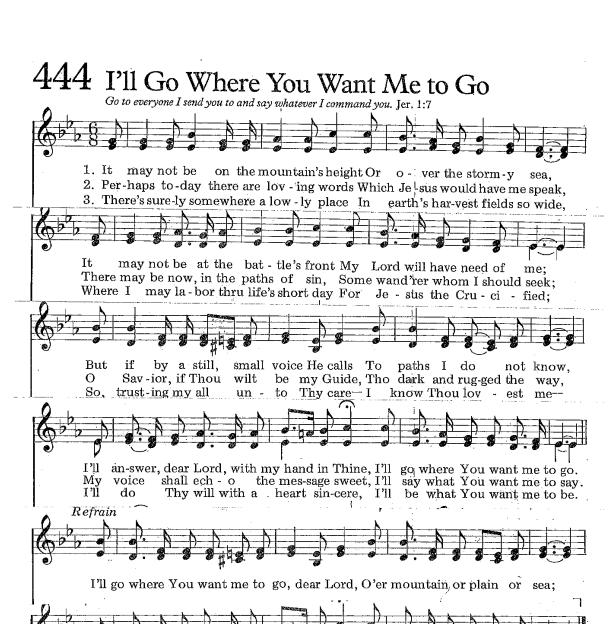
<sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup> "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to the Lord

**TEACHING** "Working in Lost and Found???!!!" Pastor Bill Timm

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go"



I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord, I'll be what You want me to be.

TEXT: Mary Brown, stanza 1; Charles E. Prior, stanzas 2, 3

MUSIC: Carrie E. Rounsefell

I'LL GO 9.7.9.7.9.8. with Refrain

# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in the good news of Jesus Christ, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

# A brief silence.

P You embraced the outcasts and the marginalized. Help us to reach across boundaries in our own communities, so that all might flourish together. God our teacher and healer;

# C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P As a fully embodied human being, you ate and drank the produce of the land. Guide farmers and all food producers to tend and keep the earth so that they might feed people and communities in sustainable ways. God our teacher and healer;

# C In mercy, hear our prayer.

# Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

- C We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition. We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."
- P Your authority was constantly questioned by those in power. Strengthen leaders to stand up for what is right even in the face of opposition. God our teacher and healer;

# C In mercy, hear our prayer.

**P** So many are in need of a physician, loving God. Bring your healing and wholeness to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. God our teacher and healer;

# C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P We thank you for all the saints who have led us to Jesus' table throughout our lives. Inspire us by their example to invite others into Jesus' love. God our teacher and healer;

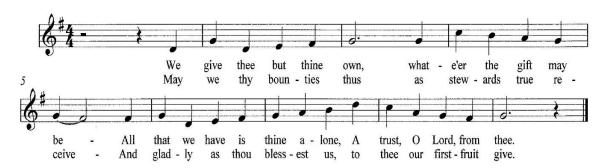
# C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P Confident that in Christ Jesus you answer prayer, we lift to you all for whom pray, aloud and in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

## C Amen.

**THE OFFERING** (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in person giving as well and online giving.)

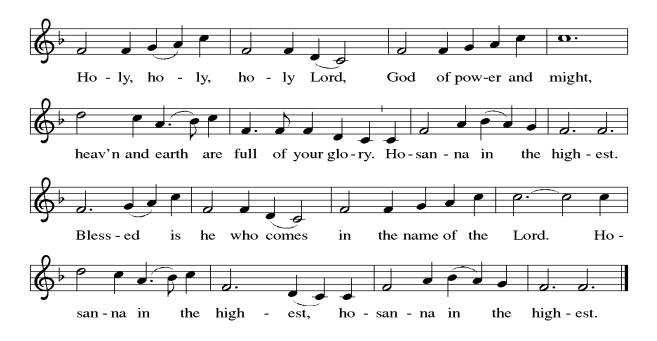
# We Give Thee but Thine Own



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## **CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE**



- P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
  - We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
  - Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest to request a blessing. Simply complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **HYMNS DURING COMMUNION**

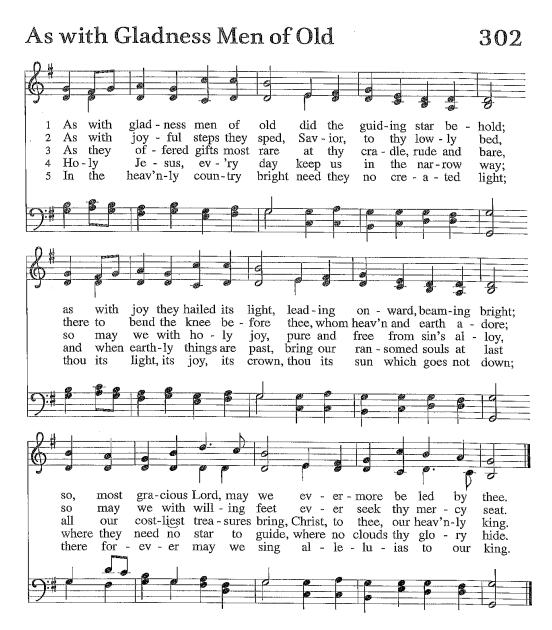
# Lamb of God Your Only Son



Your on-ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt-y Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and scorned him as he died. The hum-ble king we named a I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and







Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt. Music: Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

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# **POST COMMUNION BLESSING** (please stand)

- P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.
- C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



- P Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...
- C YOU ARE NOT DONE!
- P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

#### DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- C Thanks be to God.

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# **Announcements**

Annual Meeting: The annual meeting of Gloria de Cristo will be held on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall. Sandwiches will be available to those that complete the form found in your bulletin. We will eat at 10:30 and the meeting will begin at 11:00 am. This is your congregation, so we encourage you to participate!! Place your form in the offering today!!

<u>Opportunities for Service (Time and Talent) Forms</u> This week you will receive a form. Please read through it, volunteer to help in your gifted area and place in the container as you leave worship or take home and bring back next week.

<u>Adult Vacation Bible School</u>: In your bulletin you will find a flyer about the bible school to take home with you. There is also a form to sign up for this event – January 23-25<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to noon. If you plan to attend, complete the form, drop in the offering plate. You're welcome to invite a friend as well.

**Flower Calendar:** The 2024 Flower Calendar is now on the wall in the Narthex for anyone who would like to purchase the altar flowers for our worship services. Cost is \$25.00 for 1 vase and \$50.00 for both vases. Envelopes for your money can be found on the shelf beneath the calendar. You may then take the flowers home to enjoy following the 9:30 service on Sunday. Thank You for your support!

**New Bible Study:** began on Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, however, you are welcome to come to any session. Jerry Randby is leading the study on the Book of Genesis at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us!!

<u>Yard Sale Meeting- mark your calendars!</u> On the last week of February, we will be preparing and hosting the Gloria de Cristo Yard Sale, and you are all invited to come find out what this is about at an **organizational meeting on Thursday**, **January 18th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.** The Yard Sale is a great opportunity to meet people you may not have had a chance to meet and have a great time while helping us raise money for special projects.

<u>Caregiving Support Group</u>: Are you caring for a loved one or neighbor? The caregivers support group meets every Friday at 11:00 a.m. This is a chance to meet other caregivers for fellowship and lunch at a restaurant in the Foothills. For information contact Sandy Timm at 916-606-8068.

<u>Our Congregation Sings!</u> Beautifully!! Would you be willing to invest an hour each week to rehearse songs in the choir for leading in worship? All voice parts are welcome, especially additional Tenors! Please talk to "Dr. Shirley" Ehler after today's service to consider coming to rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening. Feel free to approach her at the organ during postlude. Thank you!

#### **REMINDERS:**

- **Monthly Potluck:** The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday is our monthly Potluck following the 9:30 am worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.
- <u>Food Pantry:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.
- <u>Bible Study:</u> Every Monday at 12:30 or 3:00 pm at Pastor's home (7649 E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street). Tuesday's @ 10 am via Zoom (contact the office for the link to join in)
- **Days for Girls:** check the calendar for the next date. Come join us for the fellowship and fun.
- Men's Breakfast the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, 8 am at Daybreakers. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.
- <u>Chair balancing/stretching:</u> Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 or 2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$3/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

<u>Donate From Your IRA:</u> If you are required to take a minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA, a great way to make a charitable donation is to donate a portion of your RMD. Normally you would owe income tax on the distribution, but if the money is sent directly to the charity, there is no tax. For the last several years, the standard deduction has been increased enough that very few people itemize and claim a charitable deduction. This is a much better way to donate than to use after-tax dollars.

To learn more about donating directly from your IRA, visit: <a href="https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-faqs-regaring-iras-distributions-withdrawals">https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-faqs-regaring-iras-distributions-withdrawals</a>

https://www.forbes,com/sites/bobcarlson/2021/03/24/qualified-charitable-contributions-the-best-way-to-make-charitable-gifts-after-age-70/?sh=392b59d797a7

Gloria de Cristo: Text 928-756-0091, insert the amount & category (bldg., general or project) you wish to give in the message space, (ex. \$10.00 – bldg.). It will then give you a link, click on that link and it will have you set up your contact and payment information (a one time thing). When finished tap 'Process'. You should get a thank you message if you did everything correct. Copies of the Quick Guide can be picked up from the counter in the Narthex. Call the office at 928-342-6002 if you have questions or Vanco at 800-675-7430. Put Vanco & the number in your phone contacts so you always have it available.

# **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Date	Time	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers
1/13	4:00 pm	Chris	Jack Greenfield/	Donna Brown/Chris	Judy Zeiss
			Linda Kasin	Brown	
1/14	7:45 am	Nancy	Yvonne Wurtele/	Mike Gustafson	Nancy Griffiths
			Larry Unger	Mary Marsh	
	9:30 am	Michelle	Jim Hollandsworth	Jerry Taylor/Diane Lee	Michelle Cegon
			Donna Watkins		
1/20	4:00 pm	Char	Sandy Timm	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Jeanie Volpe
			Dyanne Radke		
1/21	7:45 am	Char	Sharon Powell/	Dave/Nancy Griffiths	Carolyn
			Carolyn Wertman		Wertman
	9:30 AM	Joanne	Rick/Barb Sherwood	Randy/Mary Zieman	Lauren Erickson

# Attendance January 6/7

60 @ 4 pm, 52 @ 7:45 am, 144 @ 9:30 am Total= 256

7 views on You Tube, 182 view on Facebook Total = 189

Please be reminded.....if you are holding committee meetings in any of the facilities here at the church be sure to book them with Char so that rooms aren't being booked by you and me at the same time. Thank You!!

# **CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK**

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 1/15	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 1/15	10:00 am	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom
Monday 1/15	12:30 & 3 pm	Bible Study	Pastor's home
Tuesday 1/16	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 1/16	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study	Your home
Tuesday 1/16	1:00 pm	Foothills Social	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday 1/16	4:00 pm 4:30 pm	Executive Meeting of Council Council Meeting	Fellowship Classroom
Wednesday 1/17	9:30 am	Stephen Ministry Class	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 1/17	1:00 & 2:30 pm	Chair balancing & Stretching	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 1/17	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 1/17	6:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday 1/18	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 1/18	1:00 pm	Yard Sale Organizational Mtg.	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 1/18	4:00 pm	Bible Study on Genesis	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 1/18	5:00 pm	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 1/19	8:00am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 1/19	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 1/19	11:00 am	Caregiving Support Group	
Friday 1/19	1:00 pm	Friday Social	Fellowship Hall
Friday 1/19	6:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 1/20	9:00 am	Days for Girls Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Saturday 1/20	4:00 pm	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 1/14	9:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 1/14	10:30 am	New Member Class	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 1/14	12:00 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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Lynette Layton

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