

"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, NOVEMBER 1, 2025 4:00 P.M. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025 8:30 & 10:15 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. We 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. One of the Vicars or 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.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given by Jeanie Volpe in memory of her parents William & Nina Thomas

<u>PRAYERS:</u> Bill Haney, Earl Marlatt, Marilyn Davis, Roger Tracey, Jerry Taylor, Sonja Estes, Bernice Gray (sister of Sandy Everly), Ed Russell, Tony Cegon (brother of Michelle Cegon & stepson of David Donaldson), Larry & Loretta Munsterman, Danya (daughter of Niki Duffy's friend), Karen Huggins (friend of Gary Raasch), Steve Rodeffer (friend of Gary Raasch), Mary Marsh, Jacky Patte Donna (sister of Lisa Crayne), Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Forrest Marsh, Carolyn Smith, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)

Remember in your prayers Karel Titus and family. Gary went to be with the Lord last Saturday evening.

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Nicene Creed & the Traditional version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of October. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

- V Our God speaks to us in the silence.
- C In silence, we prepare our hearts to listen.
- V Our God speaks to us in the silence.
- C Speak, Holy God, for we are listening.
- V God Is Good!
- C All the time
- V All the time
- C God Is Good!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- V Blessed be the Holy Trinity,

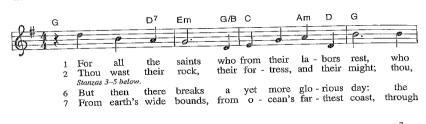
 → one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.
- C Amen.
- V We confess our sins before God and one another.

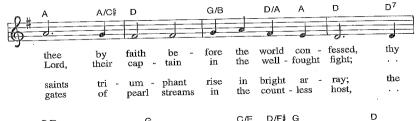
Pause for silence and reflection.

- C Holy God, you have created us in your image, protected and nourished us, and called us into your work. Yet while we profess these truths, we forget who we are and whose we are. Forgive us our failings, and direct us back onto the path you would have us tread.
- P Hear the good news Christians. You have been created in wholeness, claimed in love and forgiven according to God's boundless grace. Nothing, even the worst we do or fail to do, can separate us from the love of our God. Receive this forgiveness with joy, in the name of Jesus, our savior and friend.
- C Amen.

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For All the Saints











- 3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, fee-bly strug-gle, we
- And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the The gold en eve ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith ful





GREETING

- V 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



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

Sustaining God. We often grow weary of trying to serve you, frustrated by our lack of success, dismayed by the continued turmoil that swirls around us in our lives and in the world. Reground us in your holy presence, renew our commitment, and send us back into the world with trust that all is in your hands. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen!!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- V May the peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C And also with you
- V Please generously share God's peace all around!

WORSHIP CAROL

BELLS OF GLORY (4:00) "Adoro Te Devote"

CHOIR (8:30) *"God of Our Father"*

ENSEMBLE (10:15) "Open My Eyes, That I May See" Sandy Weidling

LESSON 1 Kings 19:1-18

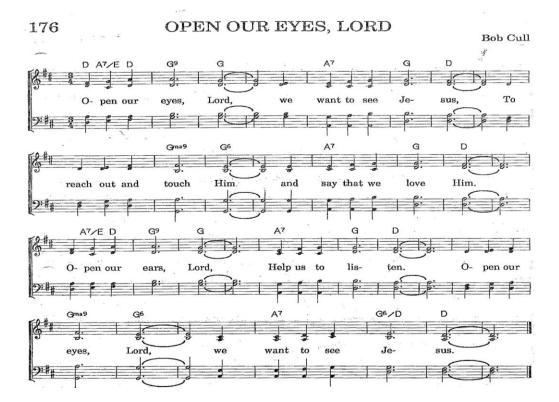
Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid; ^[a] he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." 8 He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

¹¹ He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer

silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵ Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 12:27-28

²⁷ "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

V The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: "What Are You Doing Here???!!!" Vicar Shirley Ehler



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER INVOCATION "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord. In - cline Thine ear to us, And

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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V Confident that our God hears and answers our cries, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

peace.

A brief silence.

V God of the call you have picked up your prophets and restored them to strength when they were ready to quit. Take us also and gently awaken us to the commitment we have made to serve you, knowing that you will never leave us on our own. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

- C Bless Your Church. Bless your Vicars in our church. Purify, preserve & provide through your Holy Spirit. 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 in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."
- V We seek you in the violent winds. We seek you in the earthquake. We seek you in the fire. We find you in all places of your good creation, especially in the spaces of silence. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

V There are thundering voices all around us, claiming to speak your will, O Lord. Help us distinguish fact from fiction, reason from rambling, and truth from trifle. Tune our ears to hear you in the silence. God of promise.

C Hear our prayer.

V When our strength has all but dried up, you offer us revival and refreshment. Cool our hot heads, and pour your blessing over those who most need it, especially those we remember in our hearts. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

V For all the saints including: Doreen Caldwell, Eric Werner, Mike Corless, Curtis Arneson, Christy Scheller and Gary Titus; who precede us in life and in death, for those around us still living, and for our own renewed commitment, we pray, O Lord. Keep us one in hope and purpose. God of promise,

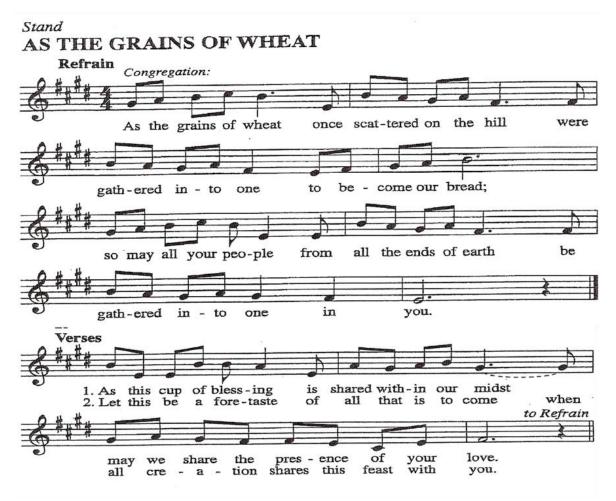
C Hear our prayer.

V We lift all these prayers, and those of our hearts, to your loving care, O God. Receive them and restore our hope in your promises. In Jesus' name we pray.

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 as online giving.)

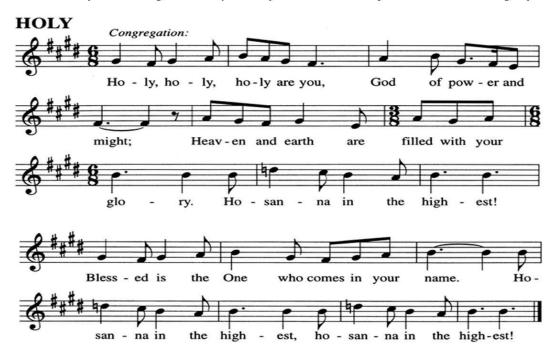
THE RESPONSE



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn



- V 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

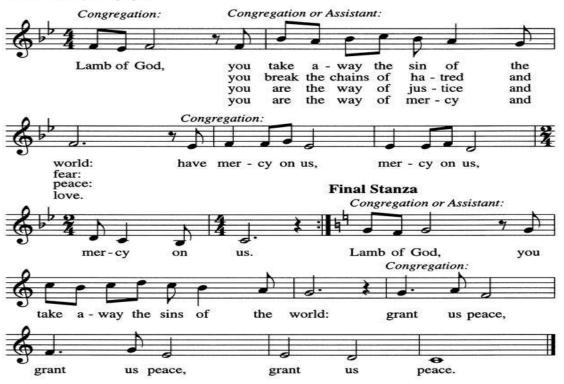
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 are not communing as well as children may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing. Everyone should 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, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

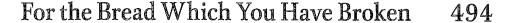
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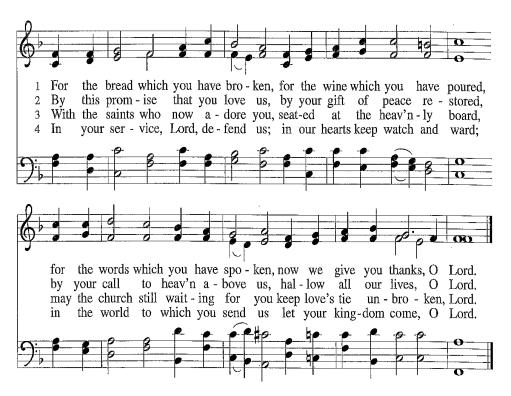


HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

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Music: Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch, Nürnberg, 1631; arr. William Smith Rockstro, 1823–1895
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Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt. Music: William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

BREAD OF LIFE 6464 D



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COMMUNION BLESSING:

- V 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 (together we pray)

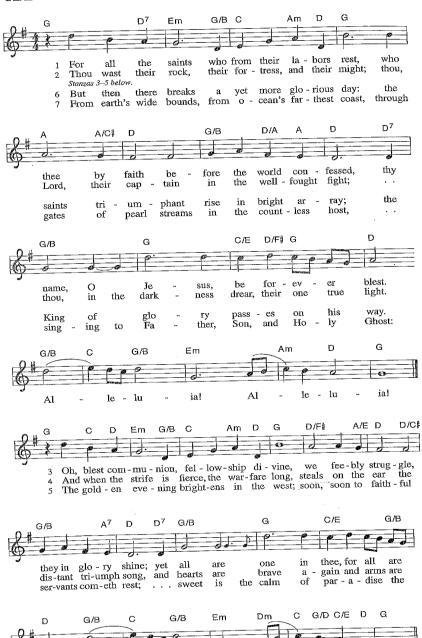
C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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ALL ARE INVITED TO FELLOWSHIP

V 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!

- V 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

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Potluck: is today following the 10:15 worship. All are welcome!

Thank You: to all who brought items for Yuma Food Pantry. Much appreciated.

<u>Monday Bible Study:</u> will begin November 3rd at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Classroom. We will be studying the Book of John.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Stephen Ministry Classes will begin on Wednesday, November 5th from 8:00-10:30 am in the Classroom #1. Please contact one of the Stephen Leaders if you are interested in beginning this training.

Veteran Breakfast: 9:30 am, November 9th, Fellowship Hall

<u>Coffee with Jesus:</u> will begin on Tuesday, November 11th at 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Complete details can be found in your November Evangel.

<u>Stephen Ministry Continuing Education:</u> All Stephen Ministers are asked to attend the Continuing Ed and Supervision session on Tuesday, November 11th at 2 pm in Fellowship Hall.

<u>Line Dance Exercise:</u> begins Wednesday, November 5th. Beginner at 9 am and Advanced at 9:30 am. Both session will be in Fellowship Hall.

Foster Children's Christmas Gifts: Collection of unwrapped gifts for foster children and teens will begin November 1st up to Thanksgiving. Place gifts in the box in the narthex. Stars on the tree will give you a suggestion of gender and age but this is only a reminder and you need not take a star to contribute. Suggested price is around \$20.00 but whatever your budget allows. This is a combined project with GDC Social Concerns, Glorious Quilters, Arms of Love and YOU. Arms of Love is hosting a party for the

children on December 12. You are invited! Details are posted above the box in the Narthex

If you would like to volunteer as a worship assistant or help with upcoming church events, please contact the church office or speak with any of the current team members after service. Your support is always appreciated and helps our community thrive.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	TIME	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
11/1	4 pm	Char	B. Zeiss/M. Marsh	Jerry Taylor/D. Lee	Jean Gerfen	Tom/David
11/2	8:30 am	Char	Dave/N. Griffiths	D. Brown/L. Strand	N. Griffiths	Char/Dave
11/2	10:15 am	Niki	Rick/B. Sherwood	Ted/Niki Duffy	Niki Duffy	Dave/Char
11/8	4 pm	Nancy	G. Raasch.C.	Dave/Mage Graham	C. Wertman	Dave/Char
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11/9	8:30 am	Char	T. Martin/B. Taylor	C. Wade/D. Lee	Mary Marsh	Dave/Char
11/9	10:15 am	Joane	Randy/Mary	C. Randby/M. Marsh	G. Palmer	Dave/Char
			Zieman			

Attendance for Saturday, October 25 @ 4:00 pm; =43
Sunday, October 26 @ 8:30 am= 73

REMINDERS:

Service

<u>Men's Breakfast</u> the 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

<u>Women's Breakfast Club</u> 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzy's on Foothills Blvd. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

<u>Days for Girls:</u> will meet the 2nd & 4th Saturday's of each month @ 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for fellowship and fun

GriefShare: Every Sunday at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Classroom.

Reading and Learning

Monday's Bible Study: 1 pm in Fellowship Classroom

<u>Coffee With Jesus:</u> begins Tuesday, November 11, 9 am in fellowship

Hall

Old Testament Bible Study: every Thursday @ 4 pm in Fellowship Hall.

<u>Prayer Fellowship:</u> meets every other Thursday @ 10 am in the Sanctuary

Fun and Fellowship

<u>Line Dance Exercise:</u> every Wednesday in Fellowship Hall. Beginners at 9 am and Advanced at 9:30 am.

<u>Chair Aerobics</u>: Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm & Fridays at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 11/3	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 11/3	11:00 am	Alanon	Fellowship Classroom
Monday 11/3	12:00 pm	Social Concerns	Fellowship Hall
Monday 11/3	12:00 pm	Worship Mtg.	Classroom #2
Tuesday 11/4	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 11/4	10:30 am	Coffee Club	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday 11/4	4:00 pm	Health and Wellness Mtg.	Fellowship Classroom
Wed. 11/5	9:00 am	Line Dance Exercise/Beginner	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/5	9:30 am	Line Dance Exercise/Advance	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/5	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/5	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory rehearsal	Sanctuary
Wed. 11/5	5:45 pm	Choir rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/6	7:00 am	TOPS	Classroom
Thurs. 11/6	9:00 am	Craft Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11/6	4:00 pm	Old Testament Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Friday 11/7	8:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/7	10:30 am	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Friday 11/7	10:30 am	Spanish/English	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/7	5:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 11/8	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 11/8	4:00 pm	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/9	8:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/9	9:30 am	Veteran's Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
Sunday 11/9	10:15 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/9	11:30 am	New Member Class	Room #2
Sunday 11/9	12:15 am	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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