



# trinity tidings

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Last month I invited you to “Look for God.” Did you see or find God anywhere? I trust that you have all had a great summer. Perhaps you have seen and experienced God in summer vacations or extra time with family. God might also be in the blessing of a relatively mild summer. Wherever you have been and whatever you have been up to this summer, God has certainly been with you.

It is hard to believe that it is already August. As I continue to heal from a pinched nerve, I am very aware that it is almost time to get back into a routine. Lazy days of summer will soon be behind us. The routine that comes with the fall season can be grueling. Here at church, we will start Sunday School, Confirmation and Choir practices again. Children of ages will return to school. That means that all of their extracurricular activities will soon start up again. Those activities are enough to run parents, grandparents, and students ragged. The daily routine can become quite the grind

As the pace picks up and calendar fills up. I invite you to find a



routine that helps to break up the routine. Do you have any spiritual practices that keep you centered and connected to God in the midst of a busy life? If not, I invite you to consider what spiritual practices might be meaningful for you. Even when life gets busy, you want to be able to see and to find God in the craziness. I set aside some time for prayer and reflection if I feel business catching up with me. Mindful meditation is also a tool that I use to help me stay in the moment. You might find these practices helpful, or you may discover your

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Do not be conformed to this world,  
*but be transformed by  
the renewal of your mind,*

that by testing you may discern  
what is the will of God.

ROMANS 12:2, ESV

## Church Council Members

Louise Lundquist (*President*)  
Neal Galbraith (*Vice-President*)  
Judith Cassel (*Secretary*)  
Brad Bishop (*Church Treasurer*)  
Kathy Bishop  
Nancy Brightbill  
Jay Brown  
Jack Derfler  
Karen Fitting  
Scott Hower  
Lynn Kern  
Louise Lundquist  
Hunter Nelson  
Rita White



## Committee Chair Persons

Worship/Music—Paul Copenhaver  
Finance—Horace Ehrgood  
Christian Education—Elizabeth Hershey  
Property—Henry Wampler  
Archives— *Position Vacant*  
Social Ministry—Jim Dibert  
Social Activities—Stephanie Kaylor



**Our Vision...**Our mission is to grow in faith and discipleship, share the Good News of Jesus through word and deed, love others as Christ loves us, and celebrate life in Christ through worship, sacraments and service.

**Our Mission...**We are a community of believers who come together in:

- ✠ **Worship** to be transformed by the presence of Jesus Christ in and through God's gift of Word and Sacrament.
- ✠ **Christian Education** to deepen our faith and strengthen us in faithful service, trusting in the creative activity of the Holy Spirit.
- ✠ **Friendship** to celebrate our unity in Christ and sustain and nurture each other as we journey with Him in our day-to-day lives.
- ✠ **Stewardship** to gratefully use the time, talents and possessions we have been given in furthering our mission in response to Jesus' call and the leading of the Holy Spirit.
- ✠ **Evangelism** to share the Jesus story so that others may come to know God's reconciling grace and the peace, joy and hope that his divine grace gives.
- ✠ **Social Ministry** to respond to the spiritual, mental and physical needs of our neighbors and advocate for the poor, hungry and vulnerable peoples of the world.

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own. Some of you might find it useful to journal. Others may find God in regular study of Scripture. Whatever it may be, I urge you to find a routine within your busy routine that helps you stay connected to God. Always remember that no matter how crazy busy life gets, God is always right there with you.

You will stay connected with God and God will be in the grind no matter what. You do not have to do anything to connect with God. I invite you to remember that and to do whatever you need to do to help you see that God is with you and to find God in the business of your everyday lives. May your routine within your routine be a blessing to you.

In Christ,

Pastor Tim

## August 2023 Worship Schedule

### August 6, 13, & 20

9:00 AM—Traditional Service

10:15 AM— Sunday School\*

### August 27

10:00 AM—Traditional Service at Lion's Lake (Church Picnic)



### Radio Worship Service:

There will be a radio broadcast of the service available to those who are parked just outside of the church, either in the parking lot or on the street. Just tune your radio to 88.5.

### Online Worship Service:

Our online worship will continue to be available. You can find the service by going to <https://www.trinityleb.org/links>. Here you will find links to the live-stream, the bulletin, and the replay of the service so that you can watch at any time you wish during the week.

*\*There is no Children's Sunday School in August.*





Sunday,  
August 27  
at Lion's Lake  
10 a.m.

Fellowship, food, and fun—join your Church family at Lion's Lake (Ebenezer—Take Route 72 North to New Street to the Lake. You will want to park in the lot directly across from Living Waters Chapel.) Worship at 10 a.m. will kick things off. Restrooms will be available. The area is handicap accessible and members may be dropped off at the pavilion if necessary.

THE POTLUCK IS BACK! Sign-up sheets are located at both Welcome Tables. It is not necessary to bring something to attend/eat. ALL ARE WELCOME!

FUN is also on the menu! We will be playing bingo, there will be a candy scramble for the kids, and NEW this year is Pick-A-Prize. Donations of prizes can include baked goods (think cake walk without the walk), gift baskets, any small NEW item is welcome. You can bring your donation to Church and place it in the Giving Place bin marked "Church Picnic" or bring it that day.

We ask that you bring a lawn chair. Students are encouraged to bring their backpack for a special blessing.

**Please note: This is the only Church service that will be held that day.**



### LCCM Food Bank Item

The items requested in August is **cold cereal and oatmeal**. Items can be brought to the church at any time and placed in the red shopping cart labeled "LCCM Food Bank" located in THE GIVING PLACE (Arnold St. side annex of Luther's Place).

Please continue your generosity by continuing to donate to the Food Bank. Your donations are greatly needed and appreciated.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL Teachers Needed



Teachers are needed for the 2023-24 Sunday School year. Classes start in September. To be a teacher, you will need to complete a volunteer application and submit child abuse background and criminal history clearances. If you are interested or if you have questions, please contact Elizabeth Hershey at 717-644-4928.

### MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



We have a small lending "library" of equipment and new medical supplies that are available for use by members of Holy Trinity. If you have a need or would like to donate an item, please contact the Church Office.

### Aluminum Can Collection

The church continues to collect aluminum cans for recycling. Please bring the aluminum cans (**rinsed & flattened**) to the church weekdays during church of-  
fice hours, or bring them along to church, Sunday School, or any other church function. A container for them is located in THE GIVING PLACE (Arnold St. side annex of Luther's Place).



## From the Archives: A Foot-Pump Parlor Organ

A foot-pump parlor organ takes up little space in Holy Trinity's archives room, but its Pennsylvania German music heritage goes back to the mid-1700's. The "patriarch" of the Lutheran Church in America, Rev. Henry M. Muhlenberg, wrote in 1768, "I...convinced old [Conrad] Weiser's sensibilities, so that he gave me his daughter [Anna Marie] as a wife, or helpmate, because at my first visit, I played and sang the edifying Halle [University] songs on his house-organ."<sup>1</sup> "One of the first, and for his time, best organ builders in colonial America, David Tannenberg (1728-1804) began making organs and pianos in the 1750's and was still at this work when he died a half century later."<sup>2</sup> "Lebanon had [a] small industry which was internationally known—the Miller Organ Company. It was in 1873 that Abraham H. Miller and Adam B. Miller [who were not brothers] became partners in this enterprise, which flourished for some 30 years. ...At the peak of its production, 80 men were employed at the Miller Organ factory and they were turning out 30 organs a week. The organs were shipped (at first by Union Canal to Philadelphia) throughout the United States. Pianos were sold at their retail store on Cumberland Street, starting in 1892. One-third of the organ production went to foreign counties.... It was reported in the *Lebanon Daily News* on February 20, 1878, that the Miller Organ Company had shipped a parlor organ to Yokoyama, Japan."<sup>3</sup> Holy Trinity's parlor organ was built by an independent craftsman, who proudly stenciled "H. L. Long Organ Maker Lebanon, Pennsylvania" on its cabinet. It served Holy Trinity's worship services from April 19, 1891, when Harry J.



Schools was elected as the fledgling congregation's organist, until the installation of the 1903 Barckhoff electric motor organ, for which Harry J. Schools provided its specifications.

Sources: <sup>1</sup>Paul A. W. Wallace, *The Muhlenbergs of Pennsylvania* (1950), pp. 42-4; <sup>2</sup>Charles H. Glatfelter, *The Pennsylvania Germans* (1990), p. 11; <sup>3</sup>Edna J. Carmean, et. al., *Lebanon County, Pennsylvania—A History* (1976), pp. 232-234.

## We Have A Winner!

Last month, you were asked to guess what year this aerial photo of Holy Trinity was taken. There was only one correct guess. The winner is Jay Brown. The year the photo was taken is 2003. Jay won a \$25 gift certificate to Are & Be Café, 381 N. 8th St., Lebanon. Thank you to everyone who entered!





# LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS AND PERSONAL CARE KITS 2023



# LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

The Women of the ELCA of Holy Trinity are participating in two projects for Lutheran World Relief this year – the assembly of 100 school kits and 100 personal care kits. We welcome members of the congregation to join us in helping to make the School Kits and Personal Care Kits goals. The items needed are listed below. It would be especially helpful to receive assistance with the purchase of 70 sheet SPIRAL notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 ½". Because each school bag contains 4 spiral notebooks and our goal is to complete 100 school bags we need 400 spiral notebooks. At present we have 94 spiral notebooks toward this goal. In addition if a member of the congregation would like to participate by sewing school bags the instructions for making the school bags can be found on the Welcome Table beginning July 3. All donated items can be placed in the WELCA Collection Barrel in The Giving Place from July 1 to September 3. **September 3 is the deadline for all donations.**

## SCHOOL KITS

For children whose lives have been disrupted by war or other disasters receiving a school kit is a sign that someone far away cares. Adults in literacy classes appreciate the supplies needed to learn to read and write.



Include the following items in each School Kit:

- Four 70-80 sheet **spiral-bound** notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 1/2"; NO LOOSE-LEAF PAPER
- One pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with imbedded steel blades work well)
- One 30 centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other side
- One pencil sharpener
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (NO GEL INK); secure together with a rubber band

- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One eraser approximately 2 ½ " long
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (NO STANDARD BACKPACKS) Recommended fabrics include sturdy cotton, canvas, denim and twill.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove excess packaging, pack all items in the school bag and close. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. Detailed instructions with pictures for sewing the school bags are available on the Welcome Table.

## PERSONAL CARE KITS

Clean hands, good grooming, bright and shining smiles – you can help bring them about through the gift of Personal Care Kits.



Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

- One light weight bath-size towel (20"x40" to 52"x27"), dark color recommended.
- Two bath-size bars of soap any brand in its original wrapping (4 to 5 oz bars)
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging. Toothbrush multipacks may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelope; no plastic bags or wrap.
- One sturdy comb, wide tooth preferred, remove packaging
- One metal nail clipper attached file optional, remove packaging

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all the items in the towel and tie the towel securely with ribbon or yarn. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.



## August Happy Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to the following members of Holy Trinity who will celebrate a birthday this month:

1 - Denise Umberger  
120 Ruth Drive  
Myerstown, PA 17067

Mary Yeagley  
1 Margaret Avenue  
Lebanon, PA 17042

5 - Chelsey Johnson  
35 Canal Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

6 - Robert Smith  
Linden Village  
100 Tuck Court  
Lebanon, PA 17042

7 - Kitty Logan  
810 Hill Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

11 - Derek Kern  
740 Prescott Drive  
Lebanon, PA 17046

Rick Rhoads  
2025 Hill Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

13 - Maddie Bishop  
2140 Walnut Street  
Lebanon, PA 17042

14 - Zachery Kaylor  
307 Lehman Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

15 - Karen Fitting  
810 Kochenderfer Road  
Lebanon, PA 17046

16 - Nathan Brossman  
301 Klein Avenue  
Lebanon, PA 17042

Judy Cassel  
Box 8  
Mt. Gretna, PA 17064

Winnie Youse  
305 South 3rd Street  
Lebanon, PA 17042

17 - Jessie Green  
326 Canal Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

19 - Daniel Hershey  
615 Bollman Street  
Lebanon, PA 17042

20 - Alice Basselgia  
1530 Sholly Avenue  
Lebanon, PA 17046

21 - Lucy Snyder  
19 Fox Run Road  
Lebanon, PA 17042

22 - Cathy Michael  
151 Weidman Street  
Lebanon, PA 17046

23 - Courtney Kirsch  
30 East Main Street, Apt. 1  
Palmyra, PA 17078

25 - Margaret Arnold  
164 Hughes Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Mari Beth Nye  
PO Box 9  
Schaefferstown, PA 17088

27 - Bonnie Battistelli  
1133 Alpha Avenue  
Lebanon, PA 17046

Monique Derfler  
598 East High Street  
Lebanon, PA 17042

Dan Donmoyer  
725 South 5th Avenue  
Lebanon, PA 17042

Please consider sending a card or giving them a phone call to celebrate their special day.

## Choir season is right around the corner!

Senior choir will begin rehearsals on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in the choir room beginning September 12<sup>th</sup>.

The senior choir normally sings at two Sunday services a month, and a few special church services through May. We are flexible with your schedule, and we would love to see new members give it a try.

Youth choir is for any youth in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or higher. We will be rehearsing in the choir room right after church until the start of Sunday school beginning Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>. The youth will be singing occasionally throughout the church year. Being able to read music is not required and we are happy to teach what is needed.

I hope you or your children consider singing in a choir this year. Like Psalm 98 says "Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise."

Please contact me if you need more information Paul "PJ" Copenhaver (717) 507-8247.



**The Lutheran Camping Corporation  
of Central Pennsylvania**  
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

## Upcoming Events:

August 6-12: Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp) at Kirchenwald

August 6-12: Family Camp II at Nawakwa

September 30: Party with a Purpose at Kirchenwald

October 1: Capture the Flag at Kirchenwald

October 3-5: Adult Study Retreat at Nawakwa

October 22: Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa

November 5: Annual Quilt Auction at Nawakwa

November 10-12: Women's Craft Retreat at Nawakwa

December 9: Advent Day at The Wittel Farm

Always check [LutheranCamping.org](http://LutheranCamping.org) for the most updated calendar!

## Prayer Partners

If you would like your name added to the list for prayer, please call the church office, 717-273-8567.

We ask our readers to include the following people in their prayers:

Bryan Albright  
Barb Atwood  
Barb Baeckert  
Monique & Jack Derfler  
Jim Dibert  
Deb Dobson  
Dan Fox  
Mo Gockley  
Mike & Nancy Hentz  
Patty Hess  
The Family of Claude Keyser  
Dana King  
Raymond Kohr  
Doris Kreiser  
Jim & Judi Light  
Marie Smith  
Ernie Thompson  
Nancy Warner  
Roger Whitmire  
Mary Yeagley



## Bell Ringers to Begin New Season

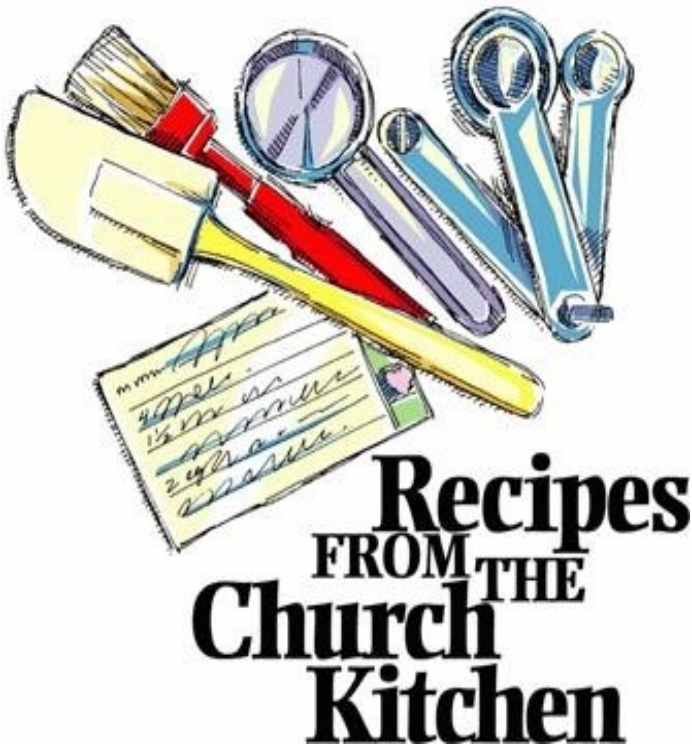
Come join the fun and fellowship of ringing for the Lord. Please contact Heather Buffington (717) 926-3917 for more information and/or to let her know of your interest.



Praise Ringers (4th grade through adult - Beginner choir) No experience necessary. Want to just give it a try? Come for a few rehearsals before you make a commitment. Don't read music? Not a problem - we offer on-the-job training. Have a seasonal conflict? (sports, band, etc)? We'll work around it. Need a ride? We'll arrange one for you. Rehearsals are in Luther's Place on Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00PM starting on Sept 11. Praise Ringers play in one church service a month, October through May.

Psalm Ringers (Experienced ringers) Rehearsals are in Luther's Place on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30PM starting on Sept 11. Psalm Ringers play in one church service a month, October through May, as well as occasional additional performances.





We would love to feature your recipe next! Please send your recipe to [stephanie@trinityleb.org](mailto:stephanie@trinityleb.org).

## VBS Soft Pretzels

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup Greek Yogurt
- 1 cup + 2 Tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 ½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 3 Tablespoons butter, melted
- Toppings: coarse sea salt, everything bagel seasoning, shredded cheese or cinnamon sugar

### Directions:

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.

In a large mixing bowl, combine the Greek yogurt, flour, baking powder, and salt. Mix until well combined and smooth. If necessary, use your hands to mix the dough until it comes together to form a soft ball.

Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and dust the top with flour. Knead a few times, and then form into a smooth ball. For easier handling, let the dough rest for at least 15 minutes.

Cut the dough into four equal-sized pieces.

Roll each piece of dough into a log, about 10-12 inches long. Form each log of dough into a pretzel shape and transfer to a parchment-lined baking sheet.

Brush the tops of the pretzels with melted butter and transfer to the oven.

Bake for 10 minutes, then remove from the oven and brush with the remaining butter. Top as desired, with either a sprinkle of coarse sea salt, everything bagel seasoning, cinnamon sugar, or shredded cheese.

Return to the oven, bake for 10-12 minutes more until golden brown and cooked through.





# Highlights from iBS







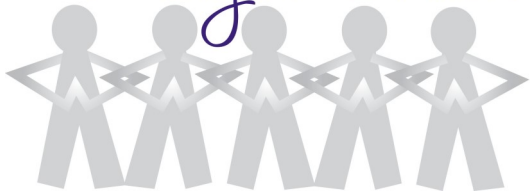
On July 6th a delivery of 5 grocery bags filled with personal care items was made to Domestic Violence Intervention. This summer collection was conducted by the Women of the ELCA and supported by you, our congregation. We delivered 6 body wash, a body wash sponge, 41 bars of soap, 19 toothbrushes, 12 tubes of toothpaste, 5 dental floss, 15 bottles of shampoo, 7 bottles of conditioner, 40 combs, 3 bottles of body lotion, 2 containers of shave cream, 13 disposable shavers, 2 deodorant, 13 emery boards, 2 pair of socks, 6 bras, a container of disinfectant wipes, a container of multipurpose disinfectant spray and 6 rolls of Bounty towels. The staff at DVI was very pleased to be the recipient of these donations. And we, the members of Women of ELCA, thank you for participating in this endeavor.

- Karen Weaver, Projects Chair, Women of the ELCA



Holy Trinity's Community Garden is growing! The garden features squash, corn, tomatoes, herbs, mint, and more. A special thank you to the following garden volunteers: Jay Brown, Tom & Pam Gainer, Jim & Kitty Logan, and Bobbi Wike.

## Join the Prayer Chain



Did you know that we have a prayer chain? If you would like to be included in Holy Trinity's Prayer Chain, please let the Church Office know. You can either call the Office at 717-273-8567, email [stephanie@trinityleb.org](mailto:stephanie@trinityleb.org), or you can drop a note in the collection plate or slot marked "Prayer Chain." Please be sure to indicate if you wish to be called or emailed. Don't forget to include the phone number you wish to be contacted at or the email address.



**Friends of Spang Crest  
Chicken BBQ by Kauffman's**  
Proceeds benefit the residents of Spang Crest  
Friday, September 1 from 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
Spang Crest, 945 Duke Street, Lebanon

Cost: \$10.00  
Includes 1/2 Chicken, Baked Potato, Roll, & Applesauce

For tickets contact Marian Brandt, Denise Rhoads, or the Church Office.



# Worship

## Lectionary Readings

### Sunday, August 6

*10th Sunday after Pentecost*

Isaiah 55:1 - 5

Psalms 145:8 - 9, 14 - 21

Romans 9:1 - 5

Matthew 14:13 - 21

### Sunday, August 27

*13th Sunday after Pentecost*

Isaiah 51:1 - 6

Psalms 138

Romans 12:1 - 8

Matthew 16:13 - 20

### Sunday, August 13

*11th Sunday after Pentecost*

1 Kings 19:9 - 18

Psalms 85: 8 - 13

Romans 10:5 - 15

Matthew 14:1:22 - 33

### Sunday, September 3

*14th Sunday after Pentecost*

Jeremiah 15:15 - 21

Psalms 26:1 - 8

Romans 12:9 - 21

Matthew 16:21 - 28

### Sunday, August 20

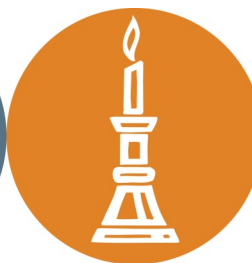
*12th Sunday after Pentecost*

Isaiah 56:1, 6 - 8

Psalms 67

Romans 11:1 - 2a, 29 - 32

Matthew 15:[10 - 20] 21 - 28



# August 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>EVERY SUNDAY:</b> 9:00AM Service of Holy Communion 10:15AM Adult Sunday School	1 	1 	2 	3 	4 	5 
6 <p>AND THEY all ate and were SATISFIED. MATTHEW 14:20. ESV</p>	7 <p>7P PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	8 <p>Pickleball DAY</p>	9 <p>9A-12P QUILTING AT ST. LUKE'S SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30 P</p>	10 <p>S'mores Day</p>	11 <p>Son &amp; Daughter Day</p>	12 <p>BOWLING DAY</p>
13 <p>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING 10:15 A</p>	14 <p>LIZARD DAY</p>	15 <p>NOON MEAL @ LCCM 6:30P FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	16 <p>5:30P MENTOR A MOTHER MEETING 6P WELCA MEETING</p>	17 <p>Church Council 7P MEETING</p>	18 <p>Hawaiian Shirt Day</p>	19 <p>Honey Bee Day</p>
20 <p>"Great is your faith!" MATTHEW 15:28</p>	21 <p>Senior Citizens Day</p>	22 <p>Be an Angel Day</p>	23 <p>national Beach Day</p>	24 <p>Waffle Day</p>	25 <p>Banana Split Day</p>	26 <p>National Dog Day</p>
27 <p>CHURCH PICNIC WORSHIP &amp; PICNIC AT LION'S LAKE 10A</p>	28 <p>BOWTIE DAY</p>	29 <p>Lemon Juice Day</p>	30 <p>Eat Outside Day</p>	31 <p>Eat Outside Day</p>	Look Ahead <b>September 2023</b> 4 Labor Day 10 Grandparent Day 11 Patriot Day 23 Autumn Begins	

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