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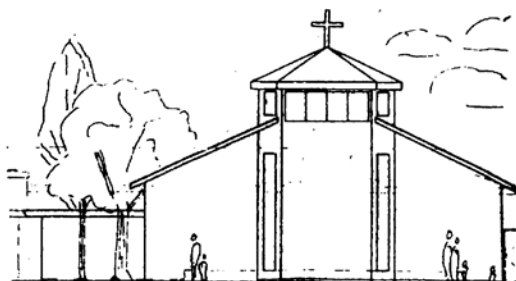
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*Sunday Worship Celebration: 10:30 a.m.*

*In a hostile, hurting world we reach out to share kindness and laughter. Our spirituality is based on Jesus and his love and compassion. We provide a community of support and healing where all are welcomed and valued regardless of race, age, sexual orientation, disability, gender, or economic status. In a world where people feel they can love only those who are like themselves, we seek to celebrate the uniqueness of every human being.*

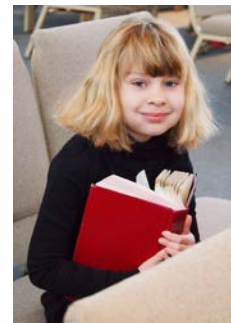
*"Making Room in the Circle"*



## SEPTEMBER 2013



**Worship returns to 10:30 a.m., and Sunday School begins on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Our Sunday School teachers are excited about a brand new year with our beautiful children. Classes are available for children approximately three up through high school.**



### **"Learning to Ride a Bike and Living in the Spirit"**

*A sermon preached by Pastor Jeff on June 30th, 2013 based upon Galatians 5:1, 13-26.*

Learning to ride a bike was a big deal for me as a child. I didn't learn until I was in the third grade, which was later than most of my peers, so I felt some embarrassment, and pressure to learn.

How do you describe to a child how to ride a bike? Words are pretty inadequate to express the mystery of balance. So we put on the training wheels to practice being up on a bike, but eventually the training wheels have to be left behind in order to experience the

wonder of real bicycle riding. To stay upright without those extra set of wheels can seem just about impossible to child, and the temptation to give up would be irresistible if not for the fact that there are all these other children who have proven it is possible.



So there is much strain and struggle in the child's attempts, and then suddenly the child is doing it! and one of the striking things about the child's discovery is that it is almost the precise opposite of strain and struggle. It is effortless.



If you know how to ride a bike I suspect you can remember as I do that extraordinary moment when suddenly, for the first time, you were gliding along on your bicycle with amazing ease and grace.

I find a metaphor in learning to ride a bike for talking about the mystery of faith, or what the Apostle Paul in our epistle lesson calls "living in the spirit."

When Jesus and Paul lived on this earth, the dominant religion was one that was based upon the Law. It had been a gigantic step forward when a thousand years earlier Moses had come down from the mountaintop with the stone tablets with the Ten Commandments from God, which commanded human beings to keep our most destructive impulses under control.

Religion of the Law was a step forward, but what people didn't realize at the time was that the Law was essentially "training wheels," to use my learning-to-ride-a-bike metaphor.

There were problems with this kind of religion, such as the fact that life has a way of presenting us with ever-changing circumstances, and how are we to know how to live in each new situation? The solution offered by the religion of the law was to add more laws, and so the Jewish Law grew until it contained 524 of them.

The Jewish tradition contained the Law, but it contained more – the stories of their ancestors and poetry of the psalms and the prophets, all of which pointed to the possibility of another form of religion. Jeremiah dreamed of a day when people would not have to be perpetually reminded of the Law, because the Law would be written on peoples' hearts.

Jesus grew up with the Law, but also with these hints of another way of living a faithful life. And then one day as he entered the river Jordan to be baptized by John, the Holy Spirit descended upon him, entering his heart, inviting him to let go and live his life from that moment onward in the extraordinary current of God's love.



Using our metaphor, it was on that day that Jesus, without any models to follow, experienced what it was for the first time to ride a bike. It was the moment he fully realized that the time had come for human beings to leave behind the training wheels. He looked around and saw how heavy a burden the Law had become, leading people to feel like slaves, rather than like the beloved children that God intended.

He saw how easy it was for people to focus all their energy on keeping the laws – doing all the "right" things – and yet have loveless, hard hearts. He saw the walls the Law created between people, and with God. He saw how it especially left the most vulnerable people excluded from feeling as though they were a part of God's family.



It was a real challenge for Jesus to get people who were devoted to the Religion of the Law to see that the Law was simply a set of training wheels, meant to be left behind for an altogether new way of living that God had in mind them. Most of them just refused to consider the possibility at all. But there were exceptions. A Pharisee like Paul named Nicodemus had the integrity to recognize that Jesus was living a kind of faithfulness that was well beyond his own Law-based faith, but he was clueless how to live such a life. He came to see Jesus in the hope of learning – in my metaphor – how to ride the bike. The life Jesus was living wasn't something that could be put directly into words, so Jesus employed metaphors: He said it was like the unseen wind, or like the mystery of birth. But it didn't really help.

As much as Nicodemus tried, he just couldn't catch hold of how you enter into this wondrous soaring life Jesus was trying so hard to express.

There's a story from Matthew's Gospel that resembles a lesson in learning to ride a bike, except in this instance, it's about learning to walk on water. Jesus comes walking on the sea of Galilee at night while the disciples are struggling to row against the wind. Eleven of the disciples refuse to consider the possibility that they could float over the water like Jesus, but to his credit, Peter was open to the idea – willing at least to step out of the boat (let go of the training wheels) and see what happens. "Jesus, bid me to come to you on the water!" Peter cries out. Jesus says, "Come," and Peter steps out of the boat, and for a couple of ecstatic seconds he's floating along with Jesus in this wonderful sense of freedom; that is, until the wind picks up and he takes his eyes off Jesus, and he tells himself that what he is doing is impossible, and begins to sink until Jesus catches him and puts him back in the boat.

On the night before Jesus was to leave his disciples through death, they were pretty anxious, figuring they would be lost without Jesus there to show them the way. They were hoping he'd give them a list of rules to follow, but he wouldn't do it. He said that he was giving them just one rule. "*Love one another as I have loved you.*" And then he promised to give them the Holy Spirit, which would be with them to help them find their way forward in every new circumstance life would throw at them. You don't need rules, he was saying. Just trust the Holy Spirit to show you what love means in each new moment.

And so two years after Jesus died and rose, Paul was a Pharisee who was absolutely certain there was nothing more to religion than following the Law, and persecuting people who said otherwise, when, to his great surprise, he encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus. And in that moment he discovered that there was an altogether new way of being in this world — one that relied on the amazing grace that was revealed to him during his one-on-one with Jesus. Soaring with Jesus, he left the training wheels behind for good.

Paul tried really hard to speak the language of his own people to help them catch a glimpse of the new life he had entered into. He described his discovery that we are saved not by works of the law, but by grace received through faith. But for the most part, his old friends in the religion of the Law would have none of it. They accused him of denying the truth of the Bible – the old-time religion. They felt so threatened by what he was saying that they tried to kill him.

And so it turned out that Paul had a whole lot more success getting his message across to Gentiles who had never developed the attachment the Pharisees had to the training wheels.

Paul helped get several churches going in the Gentile world. But there were these Jewish Christians who would come around to these churches after Paul had left town. They could speak with some authority, because all of Jesus' disciples – and Jesus himself – were, like themselves, Jews. They would criticize Paul's teaching, saying they had to put the training wheels back on if they wanted to be Christians. The specific piece of the Law they focused on was the requirement that men be circumcised.

When Paul got wind of what they were doing, he got pretty upset. It was pretty clear to him that something pretty crucial was at stake here. If you start thinking you need to get your penis cut (if you're a man) in order to be saved, you're missing the wonder of the grace of God revealed in Jesus upon which everything depends. You'll never really get what Jesus was about. To use my metaphor, if you think you have to have the training wheels on in order to ride the bike, you'll never really get what it is to soar without the training wheels. "*For freedom Christ has set us free.*" He wrote. "*Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.*"

Now the reason why the people in the churches were so susceptible to the teaching of these Jewish Christians was because within the congregations there were a lot of people who were behaving really badly. They had understood the "freedom" of a Christian to be freedom for self-indulgence. To do whatever they felt like regardless of how it effected others. To pursue every physical desire they had without any inhibition.







And so Paul's critics could say, *"See! This is what happens when you listen to Paul's teaching! That's why you need to get back to the Law!"*

And so Paul proceeded to point out that people who are living in such a self-indulgent manner were not really free at all. They'd simply exchanged one form of bondage for another. They were in bondage to the unbridled cravings of their bodies. They were slaves to their petty little egos that demanded that the world bend over backwards to conform to their desires.

Paul doesn't give them a new set of rules to rain in their worst behavior. Instead he points out that if your desire is to live this new way of being which he called "living in the Spirit," you can be pretty sure you've missed the mark if you find your life characterized by things like "enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these."

In the end, he says, "living in the Spirit" is about the state of your heart. It's not a tight grip at all, but a relaxed, easy quality of being that manifests "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

Now, the conflict that was happening way back in 1<sup>st</sup> century Galatia can seem pretty far removed from our modern world. Actually, it's not. Everywhere you look you see people missing the mark. Some miss by giving themselves over to self-indulgence. Others run in the other direction and take on the yoke of a religion of the Law.

Take, for instance, the conflict between the Western world and extremist Islamic radicals. What are the roots of this conflict? It is all about freedom and its misuse.

We pride ourselves in the idea that our culture is all about freedom and democracy, and wonder why people in the Middle East aren't grateful for our attempts to export our culture.

When Middle Eastern people sympathetic to the views of radical Islamic radicals look at our society, what do they focus on? Our excesses. Our self-indulgences. Our tendency to reduce life to an obsessive quest for more and more stuff, more and more pleasure. They see the superficiality of a society that reduces people to consumers, where sex gets detached from love and is used as a way to market products. They look at the political system we pride ourselves in and see the pettiness with which we carry on our political "debates," and the way politics and so much more about our lives is driven by money. They see how isolated we have become from one another, and they say, "What you call progress, we see as a dangerous threat to our communities! You can keep your culture to yourselves!"

And in face of the threats our culture poses to their communities, it is not hard to see how appealing the beliefs of the Taliban could be as a way to protect their way of life.

And so as this week we celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup> and once more celebrate the concept of "freedom," it is good to spend some time thinking about the use and abuse of freedom. To ask: what is real freedom? If the freedom we have in this country is understood as nothing more than the freedom to do whatever I want, what is so admirable in that? But freedom rightly understood and rightly embraced is for the sake of building communities of caring and justice where love, peace, joy and the like can easily come to fruition.

In the kindness of Jesus,  
Pastor Jeff



If you've been collecting change over the summer for the sake of the church, now is the time to bring your collection in to church. And thanks! Every bit helps!





United Methodist  
Women

Looking back...this summer, groups of women enjoyed 2 Ladies' Nights Out, one at Annabella's and one at the Whippany Diner, for evenings of fun and fellowship.

All women of the church family are invited to our programs. Join us and bring a friend.....

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM**  
**Program – Speaker From**  
**Heartfelt Home Care of Denville**  
**Refreshments will be served**

Sept. 2 – Labor Day  
Sept. 8 – Grandparents Day

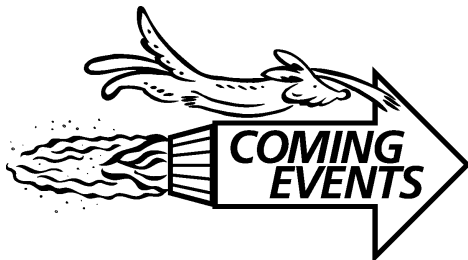
Sept. 11 – Patriot Day  
Sept. 22 – 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Autumn

Get well wishes to those of you who are ill, and  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those of you celebrating with Connie Keller and Pat Winz this month.

God Bless,  
Doris Bradley

**Prov. 17:17 “A friend loves at all times.”**

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**Ham Dinner - Saturday - October 19, 4 to 7 p.m.**

We'll need help for this major fundraiser.

If you can help or have any ideas for advertising and ways to get more people to our dinner, please speak to Barb or Connie.

**HAPPY APPLE BAZAAR – Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> --- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** We're planning to have our usual jewelry, scarves and hats, bakery, and books. The rest will be garage sale, hopefully by a few members who would like to sell some stuff! Our garage sale event in the spring was a big success, so we're hoping we can combine the best of both worlds. Look for further info at church and next month's newsletter.

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**A day time men's discussion group** with Pastor Jeff meets **Fridays at 1 p.m.** at the church. We read together short readings and discuss them during the 90 minute sessions. Any men available in the day time are invited to join us.

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Anyone who is interested in serving from time to time as a **liturgist** in the Sunday worship service is invited to speak to Pastor Jeff.

On the second Thursday of every other month our congregation provides dinner for the families at **Homeless Solutions**. Our next scheduled dinner is **October 10th**. If you would like to take a turn in helping with this outreach, or if you would like to donate money towards the expenses, please speak to Laurie Wilken or Connie Wallace.

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**SLICES: Some Thoughts on Giving – By David Turner**

When I was little, I remember there were times when only one piece of cake was left and—the way things worked in my family—it had to be shared. So my mother would tell me, “David, take the knife and divide it in half.” Then, turning to my brother, she would say, “Richard, you choose which slice you want.” ...It was a great incentive for me to do the dividing fairly.

When we give to our church, how do we do that “fairly”? And what does that even mean? How much of my money belongs to me? ...All of it, right? Except sometimes in church they say that everything belongs to God—and we are just returning to God part of what belongs to Him in the first place.

On the other hand, what use does God have for money? I mean, can you see God going shopping or paying bills? “Well,” someone might say, “God wants the money to go the church, so the church can do God’s work in the world.”



What do you think? Is that how it works? And if so, are we really doing “*God’s work in the world*”? Let’s think about it: some of our offering goes to pay the electric bill, staff salaries, and keeping the building clean. Is this God’s work?

Some of it goes to the Conference. And some of it supports missionary work to people around the world who desperately need our help. How much of this is “God’s work”? How much of it really matters? Some of it? All of it? None of it?

In the end, each of us must pick up our own knife and decide how we’re going to divide up what we have. These are some of the thoughts that occur to me as I ask myself: What shall I give? May God give us wise and thoughtful hearts as we consider these things. ...Let the offering be received.

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**“Living in the Light”** meets on **Wednesdays** promptly at **11 a.m.** in Pastor Jeff’s office. Pastor Jeff leads a Bible Study of the scripture lesson he will preach on the following Sunday, followed by a guided meditation and prayer. Anybody who is available at that time of day is warmly invited to attend.

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**CHURCH CALENDAR and SCHEDULING EVENTS**

The church calendar on our website [www.parsIPPanyumc.com](http://www.parsIPPanyumc.com) has been updated. The calendar in the church office is no longer being updated.

If you want to schedule an event, you need to look at the website calendar to see if the date is available. All requests for use of the church facilities need to be approved by the trustees, Connie Keller or Amy Gripp.

A **small gathering of men** from our church meet together every Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. at the Empire Diner with Pastor Jeff for breakfast, conversation, and a concluding prayer. All men are welcome.

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**WHY THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SELL SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS**

If you could make a safe investment and get 200% interest, would you so that? Of course you would. At the beginning of each year the UMW buys \$1000 worth of ShopRite gift cards for \$950 and sells them over and over each week. By the end of the year, we have made and given the church budget about \$2000 and have our original \$1000 back. That's 200% interest for the year. If you shop at Shoprite and pay by cash or check, you can help us do all this by buying the cards for your use or for the Food Bank. Gift Cards are available in \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations. Please see Betty Polen at the beginning of Coffee Hour if you would like to purchase ShopRite Gift Cards. Checks should be made payable to The United Methodist Women.

Thank you,  
Betty Polen, Treasurer, UMW

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**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS** – If you want to remember or honor a special occasion in your life by putting flowers on the altar, please get in touch with Connie Keller. Flower arrangements are currently being purchased at Shop Rite for varying costs depending on what you want. You are certainly welcome at any time to place flowers on the altar. If you want an announcement in the bulletin, please call Connie

Keller or send her an email with the dedication. Contact information: Connie's cell: 973-568-5404: home: 973-887-4384: email: [connie@mhmlender.com](mailto:connie@mhmlender.com)

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Anyone aware of a **Prayer Concern** is invited to contact Grace Agre at 539-3855 who will put the **Prayer Chain** into action. If Grace cannot be reached, please contact Pastor Jeff. If you would like to add your name to the people who receive the prayer chain, please speak to Betty Polen.



**Parsippany Food Pantry** - Wes Sitgreaves has called to our attention the ongoing need of the Emergency Food Pantry in Parsippany in these difficult economic times. There are more and more families turning to the food pantry for help. You can bring your donations of non-perishable food items to the church any Sunday. Wes takes the food over as the bin gets filled up. Supermarket gift cards are also welcome - buy them from Betty Polen and raise money for the church at the same time!!! This is a very easy way to give back to the less-fortunate

in our own township.



Looking ahead, our **annual Church Conference** with our district superintendent, Rev. Steve Bechtold will be **Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** All members are encouraged to attend. The Staff Parish Relations Committee meets before hand with Steve at 6:30 p.m.



**Christmas Play**

Pastor Jeff is once again in the process of writing a Christmas Play. If you would like to be a part of the production which will get busy with rehearsals in November, please let Pastor Jeff know.

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**Consider becoming a part of one or more of our Musical Groups here at church:**

**Bell Choir** – rehearses Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining us, please speak to Barb Bradley or Aimee Letsch - or just show up on Thursday and see what happens!

**Choir** – rehearses Thursdays at 7:45 p.m. We always have an "open robe" for anyone who loves to sing. We sing in 4-part harmony, so if you've sung in your high school chorus or any other equivalent, you have a great start! Speak to any choir member or Barb Bradley if you're interested.

**Kids Bell Choir** – rehearses every Sunday after worship. All children and youth in 3rd grade and up (including junior and senior high school) are welcome. Directed by Aimee Letsch (973-585-7634)



**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER**

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| <u>Sept. 1<sup>st</sup></u><br>Jeremiah 2:4-13<br>Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16<br>Luke 14:1,7-14 | <u>Sept. 8<sup>th</sup></u><br>Jeremiah 18:1-11<br>Philemon 1-21<br>Luke 14:25-33 | <u>Sept. 15<sup>th</sup></u><br>Jere. 4:11-12,22-28<br>1 Tim. 1:12-17<br>Luke 15:1-10 | <u>Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup></u><br>Jere. 8:18-9:1<br>1 Tim. 2:1-7<br>Luke 16:1-13 | <u>Sept. 29<sup>th</sup></u><br>Jere. 32:1-3a,6-15<br>1 Tim. 6:6-19<br>Luke 16:19-31 |
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**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Anna Larsen         | 16 <sup>th</sup> | Ray Steen         |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Emma Crowningshield | 17 <sup>th</sup> | Sandy Bostwick    |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Anita Laux          | 19 <sup>th</sup> | Pat Winz          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Paul Adams          | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Jennifer DePietro |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Connie Keller       | 27 <sup>th</sup> | Keith Anastasi    |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Michael Krisa       | 28 <sup>th</sup> | Ben Chauhan       |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Greg Elbin          | 28 <sup>th</sup> | Glen Post         |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Betsy Adams         | 29 <sup>th</sup> | Vincent Bianchi   |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Jim Steen, Jr.      | 29 <sup>th</sup> | Mariahna Suzan    |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Karina Barreto      | 30 <sup>th</sup> | Sarah Wink        |

**SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

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| 15 <sup>th</sup> | Ann & Charles Nye    |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | Susan & Nick Valcoff |

### Hope for the Future



*(Above.) Bishop Schol blessing a newly renovated home.*

Following the leadership of our Bishop, John Schol, our Greater New Jersey Annual Conference voted at the beginning of June to conduct a \$12 million three year Mission Fund Campaign, with \$7 million dedicated to assist in restoring 300-500 homes of low income, disabled and elderly persons.

Did you know that 40% of those impacted by Superstorm Sandy are low income? Our Sandy gifts will change lives for those most vulnerable from Superstorm Sandy.

*(Above.) Bishop Schol blessing a*

We will also give \$2 million to Imagine No Malaria so that we can help end deaths from malaria. \$2 million dollars will help to save the lives of more than 50,000 children.

That's impact.

And another \$3 million of the \$12 million will be used by our congregations for local missions, giving us the opportunity to develop a mission to hurting people in our own local communities.

In the coming months each of us will be given the opportunity to contribute to these important causes as we would seek to be faithful to our Lord.

In the coming weeks and months you will be hearing more about the "Hope for the Future" campaign, and given an opportunity to contribute towards changing lives in the name of Christ.



# September 2013

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| Sunday                        | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday                                      | Saturday  |          |    |    |    |    |    |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
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| <b>1</b><br>10:00 AM Worship  | <b>2</b><br><br>Labor Day | <b>3</b><br>7:15 AM Men's Breakfast  | <b>4</b><br>11:00 AM Living in the Light<br><br>7:00 PM UMW | <b>5</b><br>7:00 PM Bell Choir<br><br>7:45 PM Adult Choir  | <b>6</b><br>1:00 PM Men's Discussion Group  | <b>7</b>  |          |    |    |    |    |    |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
| <b>8</b><br>10:30 AM Worship  | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b><br>7:15 AM Men's Breakfast   | <b>11</b><br>11:00 AM Living in the Light                   | <b>12</b><br>7:00 PM Bell Choir<br><br>7:45 PM Adult Choir | <b>13</b><br>1:00 PM Men's Discussion Group | <b>14</b> |          |    |    |    |    |    |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
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