

THE *Red* DOOR

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"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place"

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

– Doris Akers

Doris Akers was a powerful presence in gospel music in the 20th century. She performed with Mahalia Jackson and was named by the Smithsonian Institution as “the foremost black gospel songwriter in the United States.”

One Sunday morning in 1962, as she rehearsed with her choir before a service, she announced to them, “You’re not ready to go in.” She told them, “You haven’t prayed enough.” The choir members began to pray and they became so enraptured that they didn’t want to stop. She went to the pastor and asked him to delay the start of the service, as the choir was enveloped in prayer.

Finally, she said to the choir, “We have to go. I hate to leave this room, and I know you hate to leave, but you know we do have to go to the service. But there is such a sweet, sweet spirit in this place.”

That’s where the beloved hymn came from!

As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost on May 20th, I want you to know that I often share the same feeling when we gather here at Christ Church. Don’t you often feel that Spirit when we gather as a parish family in worship?

It’s the presence of that Spirit that we’ll be celebrating on Pentecost. It’s the presence of that Spirit for which I give thanks every time I’m blessed to gather here with you.

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.*

Grace & Peace,



The Rev. Thomas P. O'Dell

We Need Help!

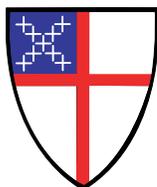
From our Green Thumb Gardeners!

On May 3 at 10a.m. Marc Sroufe needs your help cleaning up the church yard. Please bring your own rake. Also, on May 23 at 9a.m. Susan Flanders could use your help planting all church gardens. Please bring your garden gloves, trowel, and shovel. This is our time to make the outdoors pop with color! See you then!

Vestry HIGHLIGHTS

FROM APRIL

- Minutes of March 19, 2018 were approved
- Treasurer's Report:
 Net Income: (\$1,774.51)
 YTD Income: \$52,028.03
 YTD Expenses: \$43,050.51
 YTD Net Income: \$8,977.52
- Treasurer's Report was accepted
- Warden's Report included an update on LED lighting. They thanked Tom Kirkpatrick for arranging selection and delivery of lighting materials. Also thanked City of Charlevoix; electrical utilities for the energy rebate.
- ECW netted \$847.30 from the rummage sale
- On March 24, four vestry members and two parishioners accompanied Fr. Tom O'Dell to Bishop's Workshop at Grace Church in Traverse City. Workshops included a review of Leadership, Crisis Preparation and Parish Viability. Announcements included the creation of a (geographic) Northern Region from which CEC will receive Missioner Service. Bishop Hougland will celebrate Diocesan Confirmation on Pentecost at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Petoskey.
- Report was given on the group researching a columbarium at CEC. They have distributed a Request For Proposal to architectural and design firms to help with ideation and pragmatics about creating a space on church property.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

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| May 1: | 9a.m.-3p.m. | Vestry retreat |
| May 3: | 10a.m. | Yard cleanup (contact Marc Sroufe with questions) |
| May 5: | 9a.m.-3p.m. | Diocesan ECW annual meeting at CEC |
| May 6: | 10a.m. | Bishop Hougland at Christ Church with brunch following worship service |
| May 20: | 10a.m. | Scholarship presentation at Christ Church |
| May 21: | 5p.m. | Deadline for June <i>Red Door</i> , contact: susankflanders@gmail.com |
| May 23: | 9a.m. | Plant church gardens (contact Susan Flanders with questions) |
| May 25: | 11:30a.m. | Memorial service for Joyce Hosmer with lunch to follow |
| May 26: | 10a.m. | Memorial service for Richard Donnelly |
| Sept 15: | Save the Date | FUNDRAISER benefitting Christian Outreach, Details to follow |

Easter SUNDAY

APRIL 1



Linda Wertz and Susan Flanders preparing the Pascal Candle for Easter service.



Linda Wertz, Nancy Porter, Ann Puffpaff and Dorothy Miller preparing Brunch for 75 people on Easter Sunday



*I*t was a blessing to have Esther Carey and Barbara Danly visit Christ Church at Easter.

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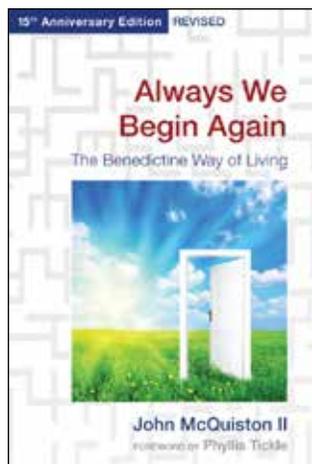
by 5p.m. May 21 to
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Book REVIEW

FOR MAY

The Bishop's Favorite Book

Revised 15th Anniversary Edition
by John McQuiston II
Edition Foreword by Phyllis Tickle



This book holds timeless appeal for readers who hunger for a meaningful and creatively balanced framework for life. It offers a simple blueprint, based on the Rule of St. Benedict, to order one's time and create physical and inner space, to step back from the demands and pressures of the moment, and to step into a place of peace.

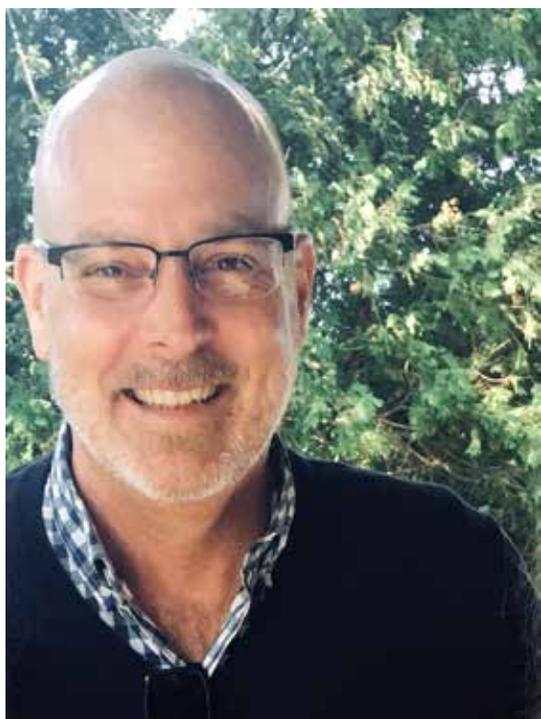
may be possible only in a monastic setting, its bedrock, the ordering of each day, is accessible to seekers of any creed or of no creed at all. The brief readings and meditations in this small book offer a bridge between a busy day and a moment of restorative and blessed silence.

“The original edition emphasized thankfulness, and this revision emphasizes loving-kindness... It continues to be my hope to put the wisdom of the Rule to work in my life, and when I fail (as I do consistently) to begin again.” — *From the Preface*

While strict adherence to the Rule to begin again.” — *From the Preface*

A Visit from the Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Wayne Hougland will visit Christ Church on Sunday, May 6th at the 10:00 Service



I discovered “Always We Begin Again”, by John McQuiston early in my ordained life. It was lying on the night stand in a retreat house in my home diocese of Lexington KY. I picked it up casually, without even thinking about what I was doing. I read the First Rule, “The First rule is simply this: live this life and whatever is done, in a spirit of Thanksgiving.” and found myself immediately connected to the simple, timeless wisdom of St. Benedict. This little book changed my life by giving me practical tools that help me stay grounded and connect to this mysterious God of ours. This book reminds me daily that humility is the best and most appropriate posture one should engage to be in a right relationship with God.

*The Rt. Rev. Wayne M. Hougland, Jr.
IX Bishop, The Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan
April 4, 2018*

Bishop's WORKSHOP

AT GRACE CHURCH IN TRAVERSE CITY



Attendees: Mark Andresky, Don Collier, Dorothy Miller, Betsy Collier, Tom O'Dell, Bishop Houglund, Anne Stanley, and Brownie Flanders at Bishop's workshop at Grace Church in Traverse City.

The 2018 Bishop's Regional Workshop was held on Saturday, March 24 at Grace Church, Traverse City and was attended by Fr. Tom, Senior Warden; Dorothy Miller, CEC Treasurer; Mark Andresky, vestry members Betsy Collier and Brownie Flanders, and parishioners Don Collier and Anne Stanley. Bishop Houglund's teaching centered on "The Problem with Consumer Church." He introduced the concept of Adaptive Leadership which is the practice of mobilizing people to address tough problems (challenges).

1. AL is specifically about changes that enable the capacity to thrive.
2. Successful adaptive changes build on the past rather than jettison it.
3. Organizational adaptations occur through experimentation.
4. Adaptation relies on diversity.
5. Adaptations significantly displace, regulate and rearrange old DNA.
6. Adaptation takes time.

Illusion of the broken system.

There is no such thing as a dysfunctional organization, because every organization is perfectly aligned to achieve the results it currently gets. Embarrassing or not, the organization prefers the current situation to trying something new where the consequences are unpredictable and likely to involve losses for the key parties.

The most common failure in leadership is produced by treating adaptive challenges as if they are technical fixes. Adaptive challenges can only be addressed in people's priorities, beliefs, habits, and loyalties.

The bishop then asked some thought provoking questions:

- What is Church for you?
- Why do you belong? Participate?
- Why does the Church exist?
- What does Christianity faith demand of us?
- What is the Gospel Good News?
- How does your life match up with our Baptismal vows?

The bishop explained the reorganization of the Deaneries into three regions, each with a dedicated Canon Missioner. We will be in the Northern Region. The next meeting will be held on June 9, at Grace Church in Traverse City. 10a.m.-noon.

After lunch, three breakout sessions covered Parish Audits, Disaster Preparedness, and Parish Vitality Task Force. Each session had a program specific discussion and helpful handouts.

– Brownie Flanders

First Sunday

MAY 6

Join us for “First Sunday” in May on Sunday, May 6. First Sunday is a time for intergenerational sharing. We meet from 9:30a.m. to 9:55a.m. on the First Sunday of the month, sharing prayer, Scripture, ourselves and the love of God; all while having fun! We will be focusing on the word “may” and how we use it in our conversations with God. Everyone is invited each month, so please make plans to join us in the Parish Hall at 9:30am.

– Linda O’Dell



Topics for Summertime First Sundays
Intergenerational Times of Sharing
9:30-9:55a.m. in the Parish Hall

June 3

Learning to Listen to God
1 Samuel 3:1-10

July 1

Our Role in Healing
Mark 5:21-43

August 5

Bread of Life:
What does it mean to be “fed?”
Psalm 78:23-29



Prayer List FOR MAY

Please Pray for your Brothers and Sisters

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| Dana Houglan | Len Kinn | Linda Smith | David and Justice Burks |
| David Loving | Mary Lou Holmes | Esther Carey | Jason McCrickard |
| Bobby Leatherman | Blake Kirinovic | Glen and Judith Berger | |
| Debbie Puffpaff | Brad Lopez | Lisa Hicklen | |
| Liz Myers | Sue Loomis | Gary & Vicky Schafer | |

*Prayer are removed from our Prayer List at the end of each month.
Please contact John Fiedorek at jfiedorek@gmail.com to add the names
of friends and family to our Prayer List.*

Joyce Hosmer Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Joyce Hosmer will be held at Christ Episcopal Church on Friday, May 25th.

Parishioners Esther Carey, Margie Carey Kirinovic, Anne Carey Stanley, Jean Loper and Doris Lundteigen shared many blessed memories of Joyce Hosmer and her involvement in Christ Episcopal Church. These are just a few of the many events and ministries Joyce loved doing for her church.

Joyce was an organizer and you could always count on her to get the job done. She enjoyed the people and in participating in just about everything in the church.

Joyce was a Sunday School teacher, Youth Group leader and Christmas Pageant organizer. Margie and Anne said Joyce was the “sew”er along with the moms. She’d sew the outfits, robes and the angel wings plus the belts made out of garland. Also, Joyce would invite the Youth Group to her home to make Advent wreaths. They remember the piles of bows and pinecones in the garage. When the work was

done the group was treated to hot chocolate.

A great fundraiser that went on for several years was the Round Robin Bridge tournament. Joyce was one of the organizers. Some of the bridge players participating were CEC parishioners along with many people from the community.

Doris and Jean spoke about Joyce and her husband Max putting in many hours working at the CEC caramel apple booth during the Venetian Festivals and the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Suppers.

Joyce was a librarian and started the CEC library. She was also the librarian for the East Jordan Schools.

She served on the Vestry, was ECW President and President of the St. Martha’s Guild.

Joyce was a devoted Christian, loved Christ Church and was a faithful servant and will be missed.

Episcopal Church Women **ECW** AT CHRIST CHURCH

The ECW Rummage Sale



The CEC Fellowship Hall was generously filled with donations of gently used clothing, including coats and shoes, housewares & other treasures as well as enough books to rival our beautiful city library! Proceeds of the Episcopal Church Women's sale effort will be directed to Outreach Ministries and our ECW.



Marge Kirinovic & Betsy Collier co-chairs of rummage sale



Pam Sroufe, Ann Bahr, Ann Puffpaff, Marc Sroufe, Kathy Boyer, Jean Loper, Tom Kirinovic, Marge Kirinovic



Sharon Witucki, Ann Puffpaff, Margie Kirinovic, Gary Murdick

Worship & MUSIC

MINISTRIES

Attention All Current Lectors and Interested Lectors:



Phill Pratt, Minister of Music will return to CEC on May 6

There will be a training immediately following the June 10 Sunday worship service. Please attend if you are currently a lay reader or reading Prayers of the People, and if you are interested in becoming a reader. Brownie Flanders and Marge Kirinovic are the vestry liaison members for Worship and Music Ministries. If you have any questions concerning the training please contact one of us. Father Tom will be the trainer.

Thank You!

Month after month, Pam Sroufe attends Vestry meeting and produces phenomenal minutes of the meetings. Pam volunteers as the Clerk of the Vestry. She finds time to do this on top of her loving and thorough leadership of the Scholarship Committee. Thank you, Pam!! Your parish is grateful.

– Fr. Thomas O'Dell



CEC Scholarship Recipients **MAY**

UPDATES... WHAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE DOING NOW!

Please plan on welcoming three new Christ Episcopal Church Education Scholarship recipients as CEC celebrates Pentecost on May 20. This will be the eighth year of scholarship presentations. We also look forward to seeing recipients from the classes of 2015 through 2017 who remain as students in good academic standing, and honoring CEC members who have served as scholarship application readers since this ministry's beginning.



“I want to give a little update on my life, and how things are going here in the UP. The main thing that has happened to me in the last semester is the mission trip that I went on for spring break. I went to Panama City Beach with a group of people from my on campus ministry, and gave the spring breakers there free van rides and pancake breakfasts all week long. While giving these van rides, and pancakes we told them about Jesus, and just poured the love of Jesus on them in hopes a seed would be planted. We saw God move in the conversion of fourteen people, and all the good conversations, and opportunities that God gave us while we were down there. It was a really cool experience for me, because it taught me a lot about how to witness in the every day, and opened my eyes a little wider to how the world really is, and how much I, and it, needs Jesus. I learned about God’s never ending compassion, and a boldness in Christ that I didn’t have before, making it all around an amazing trip that I don’t think I could ever forget.”



– Jessica Schmidt

2016 Recipient from Concord Academy-Boyne
at Lake Superior State University

CEC *Scholarship Recipients* MAY

UPDATES... WHAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE DOING NOW!

Thank you for keeping in touch! This year is going great! I absolutely love the occupational therapy program and I am learning so much! I will actually start working with patients in a clinic on WMU's campus starting this fall. I have also been elected to the board of the Student Occupational Therapy Association as the volunteer coordinator and we are very excited to educate the public about occupational therapy services as well as help others in the process! Thank you again for all your prayers and support!

– God bless,

Cassandra Simpson

2015 Recipient from Charlevoix at Western MI



I hope all is well in Northern Michigan. I can't believe the snow hasn't stopped yet! I wanted to thank you for the lovely Valentine's Day and Easter cards that were sent out-it means a lot knowing that I have people thinking about me.

I also wanted to update you on things here at school. I'm on track to graduate from CMU this December, which feels completely surreal. I might even go to grad school here. I've acquired another internship this summer, this time working for Midland County Mosquito Control as a GIS Clerk; I'm super excited. I've attached my transcript to update everyone on how my studies are going!

Again, I can't thank you and everyone at the church enough for what you do-I know it means so much to me and the other scholarship recipients.

Thank you, and I hope everyone had a great Easter!

– Nikki Weston

2015 Recipient from Charlevoix at CMU



A Christian Outreach **MINISTRY**

Following our mission trip to the Dominican Republic last June, a diocesan effort to bring potable water to the village of Mosovi, the area was severely damaged. The bridge to Mosovi was washed out and to date has not been replaced. This has hindered completion of bringing water to the village and impacted postponement of this year's diocesan mission trip. Completion of the project continues to be of great importance. Unclean water causes disease and early death. Hopefully, with the guidance of the Christian Outreach team and the support of the Parishioners of Christ Church we will be able

to help bring this project to completion.

The following article recently appeared in "Companeros Dominican", magazine of the Dominican Development Group, (DDG). The DDG is an organization within the Episcopal Church that assists in project planning, coordinates the work projects of mission teams and provides oversight for the needs and work in the DR. The complete Companeros Dominican can be viewed at: <http://dominican-developmentgroup.org/companeros-dominicanos-45-2018-03>.

(Maya's note is in response to a gracious thank you note that she received from The Reverend Deacon Beth Drew, for her donation.)

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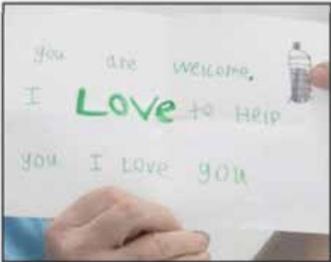
"And a Little Child shall lead them"

The Rev. Deacon Beth Drew, the immediate past president of the DDG from the Diocese of Western Michigan, told the story of this donation at the DDG meeting in Santo Domingo on February 12, 2018. Beth is the team leader for the team from three dioceses in Michigan installing a water system in the village of Mosovi.

Desde nuestro viaje a RD en junio pasado, nuestra nieta Maya, de 5 años, a menudo me preguntaba acerca de los niños pequeños que no tenían agua y quería ver las fotos. Durante una reunión Navideña, Maya recibió una cartera nueva y encontró una manera de adquirir unos dólares para poner dentro. Ayer, vino a verme con dos billetes de un dólar y me dijo, "Abuelo, esto es para agua". Al principio no entendí lo que quería decirme pero luego me di cuenta que ella quería ayudar al proyecto de Mosovi! Sus 2 dólares serán agregados a los fondos en el CEC de nuestra misión en RD. Nuestra "Maya Dulce Ya" escuchó el mensaje de Dios.



Maya with her grandfather Dick | Maya con su abuelo Dick



Maya's letter | La carta de Maya

-- Dick and Linda Southby
Christ Church (Charlevoix, MI)

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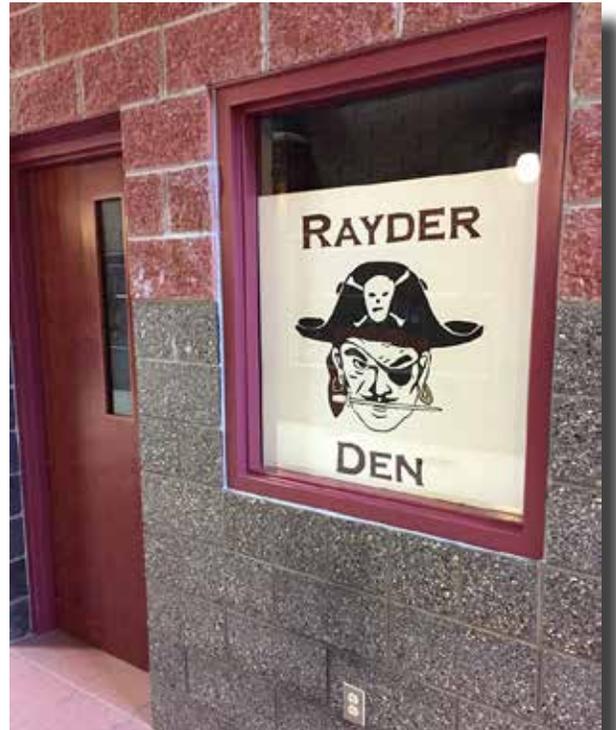
A Christian Outreach **MINISTRY**

LOOKING TO EXPAND 'FOOD SECURITY' TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES LOCALLY

On April 13, the Rayder Den at Charlevoix High School Middle School opened in an ecumenical effort to bring some relief to youth experiencing food insecurity.

These ministry leaders, in cooperation with Charlevoix Public Schools Administration welcomed students who had been invited by the Administration to shop for a weekend's worth of food. One leader remarked that it is a real eye opener to meet this much need face-to-face.

CEC volunteers who have indicated their willingness to help at the Den, will be contacted very soon with scheduling information.



Pictured

KyleAnn Dycio
St. Mary's Church

Marc Sroufe
Christ Episcopal Church

John Dixon
Congregational Church



Did You Know? **MAY**

BEHIND THE SCENES

*Ann Bahr started to make bread
for Christ Church eight weeks ago*

Here is Her Story:

Years ago our church in Mississippi switched from wafers to bread for communion. One of our parishioners gave me a group of recipes that had been compiled from many places in the U.S. and asked me to experiment and find a good recipe. The purpose of these recipes is to use ingredients that are as close to natural as possible. The recipe which has been used for the last couple of months is from the Church of the Redeemer in Pittsburgh, PA and uses whole wheat flour, honey, olive oil, salt and yeast. The very interesting names and places from which these the recipes are taken include Priory Altar Bread by Sister Kiara, Lebanese-Syrian Mass Bread and St. Peters Communion Bread.



Update!

Brownie Flanders repaired the Little Free Free Library and we're back in business at our corner of the world.

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by 5p.m. May 21
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Ministry Schedule

MAY

2018

| Ministry | <i>Sunday May 6</i> | <i>Sunday May 13</i> | <i>Sunday May 20</i> | <i>Sunday May 27</i> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| OT Lesson & Psalms | Mark Heydlauff | Rachel Systma Reed | Mark Andresky | John Fiedorek |
| The Epistle | Kim Baker | Lea Peak | Janet Weir | Phil Pratt |
| Prayers | Tom Kirinovic | Chris Nyland | Bill French | Peter Pace |
| Ushers | John Fiedorek Don Collier | Tom Kirinovic Chris Smith | Mark Andresky Henry Berger | Dick Southby Chris Nyland |
| Greeters | Betty Stephen Linda Wertz | Sharon Witucki Ruth Willis | Brownie & Susan Flanders | Chris & Christine Benson |
| Intinction | Dorothy Miller | Lea Peak | Brownie Flanders | Betsy Collier |
| LEM (Chalice) | Brownie Flanders | Rick Wertz | Dorothy Miller | Lea Peak |
| Acolyte | Brownie Flanders | Rick Wertz | Dorothy Miller | Roger Peak |
| Altar Guild | Ann Bahr Margie Kirinovic | Dorothy Miller Linda Wertz | Betsy Collier Lisa French | Susan Flanders Deb Stutzman |
| Coffee Hour Hosts | Fellowship Committee | George & Wendy Perrett Emily Myers | Chris & Christine Benson Betty Stephen | Judy Pratt Linda Southby Judy Colt |
| Vestry Duty | Dorothy Miller | Margie Kirinovic | Chris Benson | John Masson |

Ministry Schedule

JUNE

2018

| Ministry | <i>Sunday June 3</i> | <i>Sunday June 10</i> | <i>Sunday June 17</i> | <i>Sunday June 24</i> |
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| OT Lesson & Psalms | Chris Barrett | Linda Southby | Doris Lundteigen | George Perrett |
| The Epistle | Bob Barrett | Gary Stutzman | Gunnar Lundteigen | Deb Stutzman |
| Prayers | George Perrett | Susan Flanders | Betty Stephen | Chris Benson |
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