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BBC BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER

I was saddened to read an extensive article in *The Atlantic* by Derek Thompson, titled, "The Anti-Social Century". The column detailed how Americans are now spending more time alone than ever, and how that's changing our personalities, our politics, and even our relationship to reality. The share of U.S. adults having dinner with friends on any given night has declined by more than 30 percent in the past 20 years.

In the 1930s, video entertainment existed only in theaters, and the typical American went to the movies several times a month. Film was a necessarily collective experience, something

enjoyed with friends and in the company of strangers. But technology has turned film into a home delivery system. Today, the typical American adult buys about three movie tickets a year—and watches almost 19 hours of television, the equivalent of roughly eight movies, on a weekly basis. In entertainment, as in dining, modernity has transformed a ritual of togetherness into an experience of homebound reclusion and even solitude.

From 2003 to 2023, in person socializing plunged by more than 20 percent, according to the American Time Use Survey, an annual study conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Among unmarried men and people younger than 25, the decline was more than 35 percent.

Men who watch television now spend seven hours in front of the TV for every hour they spend hanging out with somebody outside their home. The typical female pet owner spends more time actively engaged with her pet than she spends in face-to-face contact with friends of her own species. Since the early 2000s, the amount of time that Americans say they spend helping or caring for people

outside their nuclear family has declined by more than a third.

The impact of all this isolation and loneliness is profound and far reaching. Human beings are social creatures. As God states early in Genesis, it is not good for us to be

alone. While some solitude is healthy and appropriate, we have moved way beyond that. We're created to be in relationship with others, and we're emotionally, spiritually, psychologically, and physically healthier when we're appropriately connected with other people.

One of the hallmarks of the early church was the amount of time and the variety of ways that people were together. This is described in *Acts 2:44-47*— "All who believed were **together** and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time **together** in the temple, they broke bread from house to house and ate their food



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The Office will be Closed February 17 in recognition of President's Day



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**Worship in
February**
 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Series:
Beginning Again with God

February 2
 "BBC Brings People Together"
Acts 2:42-47

February 9
 "Love Overcomes Our Fears"
Selected verses from Exodus 3 and 4

February 16
 "Are You Ready for Solid Food?"
Hebrews 5:11-14

February 23
 "The Joy of Sharing:
 Blessings are Multiplied"
Luke 9:12-17

BREWSTER BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

Lead Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Doug Scalise
Executive Pastor:	Rev. David Pranga
Pastor of Worship:	Rev. Joe Greemore
Pastor of Discipleship:	Rev. Nate Ryan
Music Director:	Chris Morris
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	Dan Jones
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	Nathan Carr

with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

Our theme for 2025 is **BBC Brings People Together**. Throughout the month of February in worship and at the Annual Meeting on February 9, we will be sharing ways we will be seeking to provide opportunities for people to Love, Grow, and Share **together**, which we believe will lead to more meaning, friendship, connection, contentment, joy, and peace. As *Hebrews 10:24-25a* says, *"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **not giving up meeting together**, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another."*

Let's journey through 2025 together!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Doug Scalise

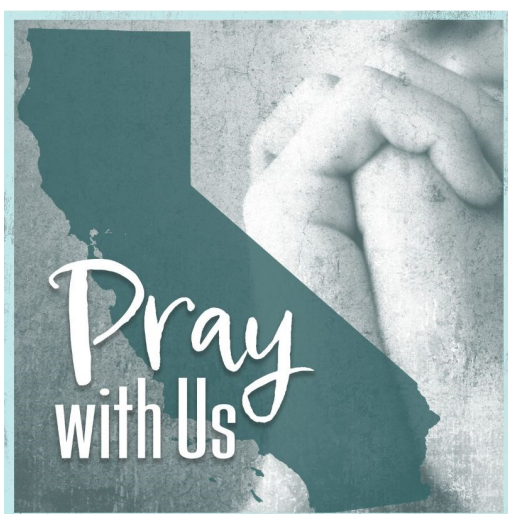
Join Us!

Pastor David will lead a Budget Information Session on Saturday, February 8 at 10:00 a.m. to review the Budget for 2025. Then, following the second service on Sunday, February 9, we will have our Annual Meeting and a "Super Bowl" potluck lunch. Bring your favorite soup, stew, chili or Super Bowl appetizers and we will enjoy a meal together before the big game.



Annual Meeting
followed by Celebration Lunch
Sunday, February 09 at 11:15 a.m.

[Snow Date: February 16](#)



TO GIVE TO WILDFIRE RELIEF EFFORTS IN CA,
GIVE A CHECK TO **BREWSTER BAPTIST**
WITH **"CALIFORNIA RELIEF"** IN THE MEMO
OR ON THE **"GIVE NOW"** PAGE OF THE
CHURCH WEBSITE,
CHOOSE **"ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING"**
IN THE DROP-DOWN LIST.



One Great Hour
OF SHARING

FINANCIAL UPDATE

2024 was a banner year for BBC in so many ways! I cannot thank everyone enough for their stewardship and missions contributions! BBC started the year with an overly ambitious budget. It was one that required faith from the congregation. Members of the congregation rose up to the challenge and answered the call. Praise God for all the wonderful things that happened this year.

The following numbers represent the income and expenses through December 31, 2024. The BBC stewardship budget for 2024 was \$1,467,074. BBC has taken in \$1,463,396.76, which represents 99.8% of the stewardship budget. Our expenses fell below the budget, at \$1,458,041.54, which represents 99.1% of the budget. For the 2024 year, we finished the year with positive retain earnings of \$5,355. The church decided to hire Pastor Nate Ryan to join the pastoral staff, which was not a budgeted expense. Even with the addition of another full-time pastor for three and half months, BBC finished the year well.

Missions have always been a high priority at BBC, represented in both our annual budget and through our designated and special offerings. In December, BBC received \$18,045 from the RMMO Offering to help our retired ministers and missionaries. This year, the Deacon Assistance Fund received a total of \$69,036., which is highest amount for the fund ever recorded at BBC. Plus, BBC received a \$10,000 gift towards Sophia Baptist Church. Overall, BBC received over \$306,095 toward missions, designated and special offerings, and the Holiday Fair in 2024. This represented BBC giving away 17% of our expenses towards local, regional, and global missions. This is fantastic in so many ways. Thank you very much to everyone who contributed this year!

Once again, thank you so much for the momentous year in 2024. The Financial Team looks forward to what God has for us in 2025. If you would like to learn more about donating online or donating stock, please contact Pastor David Pranga or Treasurer, David Wilcock.

Required Minimum Distributions

As the end of the year approaches, it is a good time to consider smart tax strategies.

For those who are 70 ½ years old and older, you are subject to a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA each year.

To minimize your tax implications, and to directly benefit Brewster Baptist Church, you can request a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your plan's administrator. Any amount distributed to BBC from the IRA as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (up to \$105,000) will not be taxed as ordinary income.

If you have not already taken your RMD for 2024, please consider this easy and effective way of lowering your taxes and helping to fulfill the mission of Brewster Baptist Church. Please see David Hill or Pastor David Pranga for more information.



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Take a look back at the January 2025 *Beacon* and you will see a number of events that our church celebrated in December of 2024. One of these was our Bicentennial Worship service on December 23 at BBC. How wonderful it was to see *23 singers*, robed and in the loft, on December 23. It reminds me of *Psalms 23*, which assures us of Jesus the Good Shepherd's presence (*John 10:11*) through all our days. We felt Jesus' presence as we were surrounded by our Praise Team, brass, strings, carolers, and a worshipping community, whose hearts were set on celebrating God's goodness, faithfulness, and provision, from the 19th to the 21st century here on the Cape.



In 2025, have you made any resolutions? How about musical resolutions? If one of them is to sing and make more music, we can help with that! The BBC choir meets on February 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary, and we would love for you to join. If you play or sing and your interests lie with more contemporary expressions of worship, come join the Praise Team at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary, where we meet weekly. We'll be reaching out to several local musicians in 2025 to visit and share their gifts, thereby enhancing and broadening our worship experience.

It takes an incredibly gifted and talented group of people here on Cape Cod, bringing our very best gifts to worship God each week, for whom we are deeply grateful. We pray that this year, this month, this day, you will rediscover the joy of your salvation and give audible praise and thanks to God as you study, grow, serve, and share, filled with God's love, and led by God's grace, with singing all the way.

With deep appreciation,
 Pastor Joe Greemore



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Thy Kingdom Come By Martha Dunford

Recently, I was listening to N.T. Wright's teaching on the coming of God's Kingdom. Sometimes, we Christians think of God's kingdom as far away, but Jesus said that the kingdom of God is at hand. *At hand* means that the kingdom is easily accessible. Sometimes, we think that we must die first before experiencing God's kingdom, because God's kingdom is in heaven, where everything is perfect and we are with God. However, if you are a Christian, God's kingdom can be experienced right here and now. Even when there are wars, storms, fires, and tragedies, God's kingdom is still available to us. Doing God's will brings God's kingdom to earth. To know and do God's will, we must pray and ask that God's will be done here on earth. Christian works that are centered in God's will are birthed in prayer. After all, prayer is communicating with God, and we can't discern what He wants done to advance His kingdom without communicating with Him. The presence of God and living in His presence, no matter the circumstances, are among the greatest privileges we have. In His presence, we find peace, love, and hope. I am a student, learning how to render God's kingdom through prayer. How about you? How are you birthing the kingdom of God through prayer?

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

In December, we received a certificate of appreciation from the American Baptist Churches USA for being #10 in United Mission Giving among all the churches in the denomination. United Mission Giving is a simple, yet intentional, way that American Baptists contribute to a shared financial fund that is **designed and used for mission and ministry that has an impact across the whole American Baptist family**. With a large portion of United Mission funds contributing directly to the mission efforts and ministries of the 33 ABC regional entities, the Office of the General Secretary, and the Board of General Ministries, all of which are accountable to and informed by our member congregations, United Mission funding supports efforts on all levels of our denomination, as well on our shared mission fields.

Then, as is our tradition, we received the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering at all services on Christmas Eve. The RMMO is used for "Thank You" checks and emergency support for Retired Ministers and Missionaries and their widowed spouses in the ABCUSA. This year we received over \$18,000. Thank you!





BBC Winter Walk!

February 15 at 2:00 pm

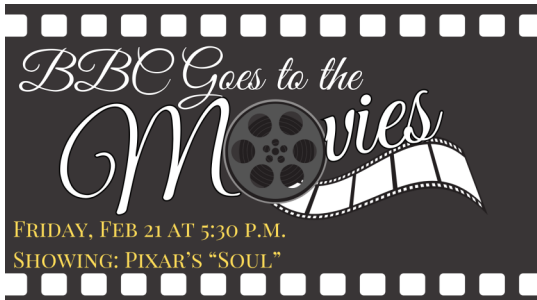
Join us at the Brewster Community Gardens at 660 Lower Rd in Brewster

Saturday, February 15 at 2:00 p.m. BBC Winter Walk!

Join us at the Brewster Community Gardens at 660 Lower Rd in Brewster for an easy walk and then a time to share hot chocolate and donuts. Come get some fresh air and connect with BBC friends.

BBC Goes to the Movies: Friday, February 21 at 5:30 p.m.

What is it that makes you...YOU? "Soul" introduces Joe Gardner (voice of Jamie Foxx) – a middle-school band teacher who gets the chance of a lifetime to play at the best jazz club in town. But one small misstep takes him from the streets of New York City to The Great Before – a fantastical place where new souls get their personalities, quirks and interests before they go to Earth. Determined to return to his life, Joe teams up with a precocious soul, 22 (voice of Tina Fey), who has never understood the appeal of the human experience. As Joe desperately tries to show 22 what's great about living, he may just discover the answers to some of life's most important questions.



Thursday, Feb. 27 at Noon - Prix Fixe Menu \$20.

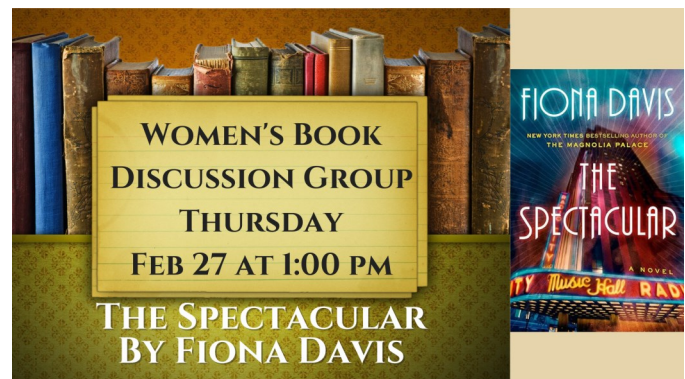


BBC Fellowship Hall

The **Christian Men's Luncheon** will be on Thursday, February 27 at Noon in Fellowship Hall. Please register in advance. The cost for lunch is \$20. Invite a friend!

The Women's Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, February 27 at 1:00 p.m. This month, we will be discussing "The Spectacular" by Fiona Davis.

All women are welcome to join at any time.



CELEBRATIONS



BBC friends of all ages joining in to Read the Bible in a Year through the Alpha Bible App
(See page 13 to learn more about the app and the Alpha class shown below)





Praying for Rev. Patti Ricotta at both services as she prepared to leave for Africa on January 14. She will be in Uganda for 3 weeks followed by two weeks in Sierra Leone. Please keep her in your prayers throughout her time away.

We had a fun evening at our annual White Elephant Yankee Swap.



Lots of fun games and snacks at our first Junior Thirds. (See page 12 to learn more about this)



LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

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Meet the Leadership Council

As we begin a third century here at BBC, the Leadership Council, in conjunction with the church staff, has had many discussions about the what the future looks like. Throughout the month of February, you will be hearing about some new initiatives that are going to be part of the theme for 2025 of "BBC Brings People Together" that Pastor Doug talked about in his cover article. They thought the best first step in this process would be to make sure our congregation knows who the members of the Leadership Council are, so here is a little bit about each of them.

Pat Lindquist

As a native-born Cape Codder, Pat has attended Brewster Baptist Church since the late 90s with her husband, Bob, and considers it her second home. After a 24-year career, now retired, Pat worked at the Stony Brook Elementary School as the Principal's Secretary, so the road from her home in South Yarmouth to church is a familiar and continued path. Pat has enjoyed being a part of our Worship Team since its inception and hopes to continue as long as she is able. Having the privilege of beautifying the sanctuary with the Flower Team has also been her pleasure as much as she hopes it pleases God and the congregation. As the church intentionally follows in Jesus' footprints, Pat can say it was that light which drew her to BBC, restored her struggling faith, and keeps her walking His path.



Suzanne Christie

Suzanne has been a member of Brewster Baptist Church since 2017. Both her grandparents, Betty and Willard (Bill) Grant, and her parents, Arlene and Paul Bergeron, were members of BBC, and because of them, she was blessed to retire to Brewster and join their beloved church. Suzanne serves at the Information Center on Sundays, assists David Pranga with Human Resource related initiatives and serves on the Leadership Council.

Tracey Deegan

Tracey Deegan grew up primarily on the Cape and Islands as a lighthouse keeper's daughter. She lives in Brewster with her husband. Tracey was led back to faith and BBC 24+ years ago when her children were small, knowing that it was her responsibility to provide them with a foundational knowledge of God's love. Besides serving on the Leadership Council, Tracey can be found most Sunday mornings greeting at the sanctuary doors, manning the Information Center, or working in the Media Booth.



Paula David

Paula David lives in a quintessential Cape Cod cottage in Brewster with her husband Ken. She joined Brewster Baptist Church in June of 2022, after attending services for many years. Paula has brought her business, strategic planning, and creative skills as a retired marketing executive to lead the church's Holiday Fair and serve on the Leadership Council. Paula is also a member of a small group and the Women's Book Discussion Group and has served as a Worship Leader.

Barry Hutchinson

Barry has lived on Long Pond Road in Brewster for 38 years and has been attending BBC for the past 8 years. In addition to serving on the Leadership Council, Barry participates in the Monday morning Men's Bible Study group, Cooks Who Care ministry, Security Team, Holiday Fair Committee, and kitchen staff for Sunday morning breakfasts and other special occasions.



Karl Kissa

Karl, along with his wife, Wendy Sue, and children, Emily and Joy, has lived in Brewster since the fall of 2020. Karl has been active in the church choir, Men's Bible Study, and serves on the Leadership Council.

Ben Gregson

Ben grew up in Brewster and attended BBC since early childhood. After college, he and his wife, Nina, who also attended BBC, were married and moved to West Texas. They eventually made their way back to Brewster and BBC in 1998. They have two children, Emily (in Denver) and Charlie (in Seattle), and three grandchildren, Max, Charlotte and Spencer. Ben and Nina live in a vintage house on Main Street in Brewster. Ben has been active in a number of ways at BBC, including the Praise Team, Worship Core Ministry, Buildings and Grounds, Mission Trips, Handy Helpers and the Leadership Council. He is also part of a small group and the Men's Bible Study.



Frank DeStefano

While living in Marstons Mills, Frank was first introduced to Brewster Baptist Church as part of a 2-church softball team back in the 1980's. He became a member of BBC about 15 years ago, and continued to play and coach the softball team for many years in the Cape Cod Evangelical Softball League. Frank has enjoyed being a part of the Worship Team for 10 years, and has served as a Core Ministry Leader with the youth group. For the past 3 years, Frank has been serving on the Leadership Council with many wonderful believers, which has been a spiritually enlightening and fulfilling experience.

David Quinones

David and his wife, Deb, live in Chatham, and have been members of Brewster Baptist Church since 2012. They are blessed to have two children, Josh and Annie, and two beautiful grandchildren. In addition to his role on the Leadership Council, David currently serves as a projectionist during Sunday worship services and co-leads the care ministry for Parents of LGBTQ+ Children. In the past, David served on the Worship Team, as a welcomer, and singer, and served as the Chair of the Search Committee that led to the calling of Pastor Joe and the Greemore family to BBC.



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At the time of writing this article, we are just over two weeks away from our student ministry's annual trip to Berea. This will be a jam-packed weekend full of fun, and hopefully, a place where major steps, and perhaps even life-changing decisions, can take place for our students. Berea's Deep Freeze retreat program gives students the opportunity to hear the Gospel message presented to them by one of the country's leading youth ministry experts. This year, we will be privileged to hear from Duffy Robbins, whose passion for youth and desire to see young people come to faith has spanned over 30 years of professional ministry. Please pray that our students respond to his message and take qualitative steps to grow in their faith. Also, pray for our leaders who will be guiding discussions, making sure they get to bed at a reasonable hour, and are in charge of ensuring the safety of all the students we're bringing. Please also pray for our trip there and back, that no complications arise with the bus we're chartering or the weather or the road conditions. We're also excited to be collaborating with Pastor Doug's son, Greg, as his students from the First Baptist Church of Manchester will be joining us for the weekend!

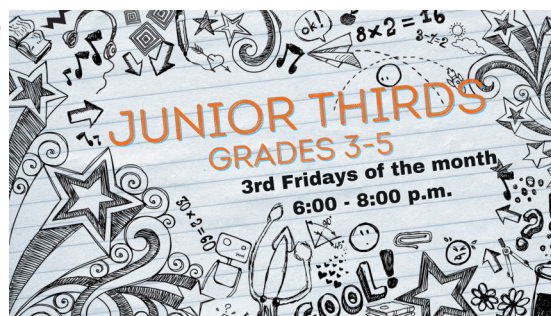


This trip could not be possible without the consistent support of the members of our congregation, whose willingness to donate and contribute to our ministry can only be described as abundant in this season. We are so thankful to all who came and were a part of our Sunday breakfast fundraiser on January 5. Please be on the lookout in the coming months for future similar opportunities to this one.



And, in addition to our trip to Berea, we have officially relaunched our Sunday night programming, after breaking for Christmas and New Year holidays. In addition to the adult Alpha course being offered this winter on both Wednesdays and Fridays, our students have also taken the initiative to ponder the big questions about life and spirituality the Alpha course encourages us to ask. Our students are halfway through working through the Youth Alpha series, which we began on January 5 and will complete on March 16. We will not be meeting the night of February 9.

Our students also hosted the first Junior Thirds, led by Charlie Kautz and Corbany Greemore, to give upper elementary students the opportunity to play games with and get to know the older students, so it will make the transition to youth group easier in the future. Five 3rd-5th graders joined in and several of our students brought friends, so we had 25 students here from grades 3-11. We look forward to more kids joining us at future Junior Thirds, which meets on the third Friday of the month from 6:00—8:00 p.m.



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It is SUCH an encouragement to see so many individuals and families in our congregation take seriously BBC's challenge to grow personally in their faith in year 2025. On both Wednesday afternoons and Friday evenings, we have approximately 50 people attending Alpha, asking really big questions about life, spirituality, and why Jesus matters. The overwhelming response I have gotten has been that the discussions have been dynamic, honest, and challenging for people, as they ponder questions and ideas they perhaps have not put much thought to before. Alpha is designed as a place where people from all walks of life, with different backgrounds and perspectives, can come together to ask life's biggest questions. My sincere hope is that by the end of the Alpha, everyone who has taken part will walk away with a profound question they must answer for themselves: Do I believe what the Bible says about Jesus is true, and if so, what am I going to do about it? It isn't too late to be a part of this exciting new discipleship initiative. The more the merrier!

Join a conversation ...

Alpha is a series of group conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith. Everyone's welcome. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs.

Beginning in January 2025

Register Today!

- Connect with new people
- Watch an episode on a question of faith
- Share your thoughts and hear from others



We also have over 12 people participating in our Spiritual Gifts course, led by Pastor David Pranga and his wife, Christy. It's exciting that there are people in our church who are desperate to serve and get more involved. We each have gifts and personal talents and skills endowed to us by God. Identifying what those gifts are, and encouraging others to use their gifts, is a vital part of what it means to be the church. I often tell people that in the life of every Christian, there is a tangible shift that must take place where the faith no longer becomes something that serves your own interests, but becomes chiefly concerned with the interests of others. In the *Matthew 20:28*, Jesus says, "The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." In the same way, as we spiritually grow to become more like Jesus, we must begin to realize that participation in the church is not something ultimately meant to serve you, but it is a place where you have the opportunity to serve others. Identifying your spiritual gifts, and using them to help build the Body of Christ, is a vital step in making that transition. I'm grateful we have had such a positive response to this initiative, virtually doubling the number of participants since the last time we offered this class.

And, finally, it seems like every day, I get a new email or text message from one of our congregants, expressing how grateful they are to be reading the Bible in a year through the Alpha reading app. The content is excellent, not simply just reading through selections from the Old and New Testaments each day, but thematically connecting them together through insightful devotionals that make the Scriptures come alive and personalize them to your own life. If you would like to jump on board the BBC's Bible reading bandwagon, it isn't too late! You can download the Alpha Bible reading app with the QR code (see left) or by going on the Alpha website: <https://bible.alpha.org/en/>.



February 2025 at Brewster Baptist Church

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Please note that due to space limitations this calendar does not list every event, activity or meeting involving our church community. To schedule an event or to determine if a particular room or space is available, please check with the church office.

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Anniversaries

- 3 Richard and Ann Wolf
- 4 Frank and Susan Ballantine
- 5 Alfred and Karen Faria
- 7 Roger and Ann Conover
- 14 David and Barbara Grandel
- 19 Van and Lynn Latham

Birthdays

- 1 Cody Fougere
- 2 Elizabeth Kripp
- 3 Bruce Brady
- Lorraine Jackman
- 4 Sandra Janson
- TJ Miranda
- 5 Dan Jones
- 6 Rachel Pranga
- 7 Michael Ross
- Sharon Kautz
- Matthias Fougere
- Kevin Jamieson
- 8 Jean Carey
- Stephen Jones
- Suzanne Christie
- Susan Syty
- 9 Karen Decker
- 10 Len Greiner
- 11 Evie Rencurrel
- Andrew Palmer
- 12 Suzanne Ritchie
- Wendy Sue Kissa
- 13 Karen Bakanowski
- 14 Marjorie Ammann
- Linda Shaw
- 15 Anabel Brown
- 16 Jackie Reycroft
- 17 Ann Ferro
- Denise Kenney
- 18 Lorraine Donnelly
- 19 Andrea Glidden
- 20 Paul Ammann
- 21 Nick Janson
- 23 Tim Kautz
- Alice Ryan
- 24 Martha Dunford
- Leslie Leighton
- 26 Bob McKenney
- Nathan Carr
- Stephen Rochette
- Elsa Scott
- 27 Alan Jenkins
- William Doherty
- 28 Arlene Lavelle
- Janelle Carreiro
- Leslie Price

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit,
sympathy, love for one another,
a tender heart, and a humble mind.

1 Peter 3:8



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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 31-February 2: Student Ministry to Berea

February 8: 2025 Budget Information Session

February 9: Annual Meeting and Celebration Lunch

February 15: Winter Walk at Community Gardens

February 17: Office Closed for Presidents' Day

February 21: BBC Goes to the Movies—Pixar's "Soul"

February 27: Christian Men's Luncheon