



# TOWER CHIMES

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## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



The Session is calling a Congregational Meeting for this **Sunday, May 19**, at **9:55 am** in the sanctuary to hear the report of the Nominating Committee At-Large and elect Deacons and Elders to the Class of 2027.

The following slate is being proposed.

**Deacons Elect: Greg Marrs, Thom Rivers, Adam Roe, Susan Smith, & Ashley Stroud;**

**Elders Elect: Richard Elmore, Heather Linn, Amanda Olmert, Carol Roe, & Hunter Smith**

**Nominating Committee At-Large: Cheryce Harris, Paul Montgomery, Mike Seney, & Emily Snyder, & Kay Gray Weeks**

## 3 CENTS-A-MEAL THIS SUNDAY



We will collect the *3 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering* during our worship service this **Sunday, May 19**. This special offering is divided among our Soup Kitchen & Bag Lunch Ministry, the Beth-El Farmworker Ministry, and our support of the church in Honduras. We hope you will set aside your pennies to help feed those in our community and beyond.

## THE CHOSEN



You are invited to join us this **Sunday, May 19 from 5 - 7 pm** in McLeod Hall to watch season 4, episode 2 from *The Chosen*, then discuss what we have seen. Please join us even if you haven't watched the series, we will help you catch up.

Please bring a covered dish to share and enjoy an evening with your friends from First Pres. Childcare will be provided.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, May 19**

**PENTECOST**

**COMMUNION**

**QUILT BLESSINGS**

- 8:00 am Early Sunday Morning Chapel
- 10:00 am Sanctuary Worship
- 10:15 am Children Sunday School (CE 206)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

**Monday, May 20**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 3:00 pm Book Club (MH)
- 6:00 pm Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (MH)

**Tuesday, May 21**

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 12:00 pm Finance (UR)
- 4:30 pm Christ's Moms (CE 102)

**Wednesday, May 22**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 1:00 pm American Mah Jongg (CE 102)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (BR)
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir (CR)

**Thursday, May 23**

- 11:00 am FunTimers (MH/Off-site)
- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (BR)

**Friday, May 24**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)

**Saturday, May 25**

- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### MEMBERS

Ann Adams	Shirley Hines	Arletta Oriani
Jonye Briggs	Wade Hoffman	Sharon Ramseyer
Joe Burke	Jim Huff	Marilyn Schleifer
Kelly Butz	Scott & Becky Irvin	Dick Shaw
Orrin Champlain	Wiley Koon	Marilyn Sheffield
Gary Chilton	Joanie Kooser	Joyce Shirah
Marjorie DiLorenzo	Jill Kosmenschky	Katie Sparr
Rob Donaldy	Ray & Gladys Larson	Barbara Tackett
Dana Elmore	Lynn Lassater	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Bill Everhart	Sharon Mann	Jennifer & Mike Vibrant
Gloria Goss	Pat McCarty	Gale & Gwen Waters
Caitlyn Grady	Pat Miller	
Lynne Grady	Edna Mitchell	
Pam Gray	Heidi Munoz-Gutierrez	
Ken Hart	Jeri & Tom Oldt	
Jane Hayman		

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Chad Anderson	Juan Joy	Craig Smith
Wayne Berry	Brandy & Avery	Ginger Snively-Chad
Sara Cliett	Koeppe	Nadine Waters-Robbins
Tammy Cowart	Ada Lopez-Mendez	James & Eileen Martin
Mason Dorsey	Khyla Martinez	Weeder Family
Fowler family	Dick McCauley	Steve Weeks
Cole Gorham	Ann Reddout	Danny Williams
Brian & Anna Griffin	Jack Robinson	
Jeffrey family		

### MILITARY

Zach Anaya	Eddie Gray	Mathew Massam
Brenden Anderson	Daniel Harp	John Portlock
Christian Anderson	Sean Harp	Diane Secord
Zach Drum	David Knowles	Shad Skinner
Robert Ferguson	John Marotti	Drew Stapor
Stephanie Gillie	KaitLin Marotti	

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**This newsletter is published weekly.**  
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**Bag Lunch Ministry**  
We gave out 191 lunches  
the week of 5/6/24. 

 **Soup Kitchen Ministry**  
We fed 83 people on  
Saturday, 5/11/24.

**Return Service Requested**

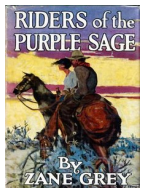
## SOUP KITCHEN HELP NEEDED



Would you like to help love and serve those who hunger? We need head cooks & helpers for **May 18** and **most of June**.

If you can help with this very important ministry, please sign up in McLeod Hall or call the church office.

## MAY BOOK CLUB



We will meet on **Monday, May 20 at 3 pm** in McLeod Hall as we discuss *Riders of the Purple Sage*, by Zane Grey.

We hope you will join us for this novel set in Utah in the 1800s.

A ranch-owning heroine lives in a Mormon community amid rustlers, gunmen, church and small community politics.

## FIRST PRES MUSIC SHOWCASE



Be sure to join us on **Sunday, June 2 at 3 pm** for a celebration of music! Our talented First Pres musicians will share a variety of music in an afternoon program in the sanctuary.

You'll hear musical selections from our Chancel Choir, Chancel Bells, and Chapel Bells. There'll also be a couple of hymns for you to join in on the music making!

After the concert, we will all enjoy a reception in McLeod Hall.

## OUR SYMPATHIES



Our Christian sympathy goes to **Sara Koon, Beth & Randy Koon-Spiwak, James & Mary Ann Koon, and Richard Koon** upon the death of their husband/father, **Wiley Koon**, who died on Monday, May 6, 2024.

## CHRIST'S MOMS

Gather with other young moms and kids as we enjoy food, fun, crafts and good company on the third Tuesday of every month at **4:30 pm**. Our next meeting is **May 21** in our Education Building room 102.



## FUNTIMERS

Our next FunTimers event will be on **Thursday, May 23**. We will meet in McLeod Hall at **11:00 am** and head out for an early lunch before going to Theatre Winter Haven for a backstage tour.

After the tour we will return to the church by **1:30 pm**. The cost is the price of your lunch.

Please RSVP by signing up in McLeod Hall or calling or emailing the church office.



## CAMP FIRELIGHT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We'll be going on a Summer Camp Adventure with God at VBS **Sunday, June 9 - Thursday, June 13, 5:30 - 8pm**. Registration is now open for children 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade as participants.



Teens and adults can volunteer as counselors or station guides. Visit the website to complete registration today! We'll start the evening out with a community dinner every night, then the adventure will begin.

Can't join us? Check out the donation bulletin board for supplies needed. Also, contact Rev. Sarah if you have any special camping decorations, you'd like to loan for the week to set the scene.

On this adventure with God, we will show children they can trust God all the time!