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AND SERVICE
IN THE COMMUNITY
AND WORLD

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Dear Friends in Christ,

As we approach Holy Week, war continues to rage in the Middle East and affect prices here at home, but Christ's Peace is sure, and we are the instruments of that peace. It is incumbent upon each of us to love and care for one another, those in our wider community, and all with whom we come into contact. Whether you donate to the Deacons' fund, which provides care for members of our community, donate to our little food pantry, or donate to Hospitality House Food Pantry through your regular giving, you are making a difference in your church and community, shining the Light of Christ where it is most needed. It was just more than a week ago as I write this message when a man attacked Temple Israel by crashing his vehicle through the main entrance, and one of our own was there in the building when it happened. I ask you to continue to keep her and all those affected by this senseless act of violence in your prayers. While we give thanks that no lives other than that of the attacker were lost, our sense of security may be shaken. At the same time, we as Christians must do more than pray. We must stand with our siblings in faith, whether Jewish, Muslim, Christian, of any faith or no faith. We must come together, united in our diversity by our shared commitment to the dignity of all human life. I recently took on an expanded role at my "day job" at Cranbrook Institute of Science that requires me to be on-site Monday-Friday until 3:30 pm. Consequently, my hours at the church have been reduced. Had I been in the church office that Thursday, I would have been having lunch with my friends and colleagues of the Greater West Bloomfield Faith and Community Alliance at Shenandoah Country Club, across the street from Temple Israel. Shenandoah ended up being the place where the students, staff, and teachers in Temple Israel's preschool program found safety in the hours that followed immediately afterwards. On the suggestion of the Women's Bible Study, we sang one of my favorite hymns on a recent Sunday, *For*

Everyone Born. The words of this hymn remind us that everyone is worthy of God's love, mercy, and grace:

Words By [Shirley Erena Murray](#), copyright Hope Publishing Company, CCLI

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain: And God will delight when we
are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!

My prayer is that as we enter Holy Week and move into the Easter season beyond, that we will be, individually and collectively, creators of justice and bearers of Christ's peace. We will come together for Maundy Thursday Worship at 7 pm, April 2nd as we recall the Last Supper and share Communion with one another. Join us every Sunday at 10:30 am online or in-person during Lent and on Easter Sunday, April 5th, with special musical accompaniment provided by Roy Coloma.

Lenten and Easter Blessings, Pastor Josh



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CHURCH OFFICERS

ELDERS

- Building & Grounds
Bill Spurr '27
- Discipleship & Nurture
Manny Neamos '26
- Finance Ministry
Jackie Coulter '26
- Personnel Ministry
Laura Schmidt '26
- Worship Ministry
Gayle Weakland '27
- Clerk of Session
Bobbi Wolf '26
- Nominating Team
Mary May '27

DEACONS

- Karen Haynes '26**
- Pam Earnest '26**
- Judy Spehar '26**
- Sue Parmeter '27**
- Sue Neamos '27**
- Judy Spehar '26**

The **Session** sets our vision and has authority over the entire ministry. Please contact any of its members with your questions, comments and/or ideas. You will find their phone numbers in the church directory.

The **Deacons** perform the ministries of service and compassion. Please contact either your deacon or any of the members if you have or see a spiritual and/or physical need. You will find their phone numbers in the church directory.

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Please keep our homebound members in your thoughts and prayers. They would like hearing from you-

- SHIRLEY EUWER**
- LOMILA CHAMBERLAIN**
- GLADYS PERTTUNEN**
- VIRGINA REEVES**
- WINNIE POLL**
- DALE BRADON**

April Birthdays

Derrick Twigg	Apr. 02
Zoe Neamos	Apr. 05
Peter Archey	Apr. 10
Dawn Archey	Apr. 11
Jean Norgrove	Apr. 11
Jim Weakland	Apr. 15
Mary May	Apr. 29

Hannah Archey Apr. 30



KUDOS THIS MONTH

- **TO NATALIE WALLS**, the Finance Team would be floundering without your excellent guidance.
- **TO BILL, BOBBI, GAYLE, ZOE, AND ROY**, for keeping us singing on Lent season Sundays.
- **TO RICK WALLS**— for his “Control Center” management during Sunday Service—your anticipation to “what’s next” is amazing!
- **TO THE CROSSROADS CLUB TEAM AND ALL THE VOLUNTEERS** who plan and supervise such fun activities for the special need youths in our community.
- **TO MELISSA HAYNES** for stepping in for Judy who has been sick.
- **TO KAREN HAYNES** for putting together the Worship slides and bulletin each week, along with a visually interesting and informative church newsletter.

- † Andrew Rasmussen, US Army, Recruit Sargent Officer out of Saginaw (Lomila’s nephew)
- † William Ball, US Army Reserve
- † Airman Joshua Potter, Colorado Springs CO
- † Senior Airman, Jennifer Rasmussen, deployment manager, JBER Anchorage, Alaska (Lomila Chamberlain’s great-niece)
- † Airman Stephenie Lynch husband, George, is in the Marines Beaufort, SC (Nan McIntyre’s great-granddaughter’s, husband).
- † Lloyd & Brittnay Staonbaugh deployed in the Air Force (Nan McIntyre’s Great-Grandson & Wife of Grandson).
- † SGT Jimmy Weakland, stationed in Hawaii.



Session Highlights

March Session Highlights

- The front of the building will be repaired with brick instead of stucco....insurance claim has been filed....a contractor has been selected. Thanks to Pastor Josh & Bill Spurr.
- Premiere Preschool owner, Kathy Jensen, will meet with Pastor Josh & an interested party regarding a lease for preschool area.
- The next activity for Crossroads Club is on Saturday, April 11th-a morning visit to the Cranbrook Explore Lab.
- Thanks to the Personnel Ministry Team who has worked out a 12 hours/week schedule for Pastor Josh....due to his new position at Cranbrook Institution of Science.
- Maundy Thursday service will be held on April 2nd at 7PM. Easter Sunday, April 5th at 10:30AM.
- Guest pastor, Reverend Marjorie Wilhelmi, will preach on April 19th as Pastor Josh recovers from gall bladder surgery.
- Prayers for those impacted by the Temple Israel attack on March 12th.

Submitted by,
Clerk in Session
Bobbi Wolf

Treasurer's Report

February 2026 - Operating Fund

Income:	\$ 6,943.10
Expenses:	\$ 9,905.95

February 2026 - Building Fund

Income:	\$ 1,195.00
Expenses:	\$ NONE



It's the season- have you spotted any pine tree crosses... another of God's little miracles? Let us embrace God's blessings and grace as we observe our most holy season. Happy Easter!



Jackie Coulter
Treasurer



New Preschool starts in June!

On Thursday, March 19th, Pastor Josh, Jackie, and Gayle met with retiring Premiere Preschool owner Kathy Jensen and Co-Owner of the new Lighthouse Preschool, Cameron, and signed a one-year lease for them to use the church educational wing and portions of the fellowship hall beginning June 3rd. Cameron and his soon-to-be wife Sara, a childcare center director with a lifelong dream to own and operate her own preschool, will be working closely together and with us, as Cameron handles the business side of things and Sara takes care of the educational side.

Pastor Josh to have surgery April 14th

During my time at the APCE Annual Event educational ministry conference in Pittsburgh at the end of January, I began to experience pain in my lower abdominal area. After several weeks of no improvement, I saw my physician assistant who ordered some tests, including an ultrasound. The ultrasound showed that I have a 1.6 cm. gallstone, and I was referred to a surgeon. I saw the surgeon on March 9th and have scheduled surgery for after Easter, on April 14th. Emergency pastoral coverage will be arranged. **Contact your Deacon if you are in need of pastoral care between April 14th and April 21st—they will have the name and number of the Pastor on Call.** I also ask for your prayers for my father-in-law, Glenn, and mother-in-law, Mary. Glenn was recently diagnosed with Stage 2 bladder cancer and has begun treatment.

Crossroads Club to visit Cranbrook Institute of Science Saturday, April 11th

Crossroads Club adults and their family members and caregivers are invited to visit Cranbrook Institute of Science on Saturday, April 11th for Dino Tales in the exploreLAB! RSVP to Bobbi Wolf at 248-894-8600. Tim Urban, the museum’s resident Dino expert, will once again regale us with tales millions of years in the making! We will meet at the church to carpool at 9 am and return around 12 noon.

Please sign up for our Mid Spring Fellowship event, on April 26th, to celebrate Earth Day. Let us celebrate the earth and bring a dish that will celebrate the earth. There will be a sign-up sheet going around during fellowship. A ham will be provided.





Genesis Words to Find

- Adam Japheth Babel Abram Lot Sarah Sodom Hagar
- Eve Leah Joseph Pharaoh Temptation Cain Abel
- Noah Flood Shem Ham Abraham Gomorrah Brimstone
- Isaac Esau Jacob Rachel Creation Sin Serpent

“Thanks to all who filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Here are the places where they went!”

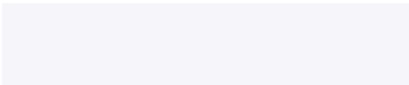
- Trinidad and Tabago
- Shipped on Wed. Dec. 17, 2025
- Malawi
- Shipped on Tues. Dec. 16, 2025
- Mauritius
- Shipped on Tues. Dec. 16, 2025





April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5-6AA	2 5-6AA 7pm Maundy Thursday Service	3 6-7 AA 7-8 AA	4 9-3 Seventh Day Adventist Service
5 9:30am Adult Bible Study Worship Ser- vice 10:30am Easter	6 5-6AA	7 Women's Bible Study 10:00am 5-6AA	8 5-6AA	9 5-6AA	10 6-7 AA 7-8 AA	11 9-3 Seventh Day Adventist Service Crossroads Club Cranbrook Ex- plore Lab.
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19 9:30am Adult Bible Study Worship Service 10:30am Guest Pastor Rev. Marjorie Wihelmi	20 5-6AA	21 Women's Bible Study 10:00am 5-6AA	22 5-6AA	23 Finance Meeting 5pm 5-6AA	24 6-7 AA 7-8 AA	25 9-3 Seventh Day Adventist Service
26 9:30am Adult Bible Study Worship Service 10:30am 11:00am Earth Day Pot luck	27 5-6AA	28 Women's Bible Study 10:00am 5-6AA Session 7pm	29 5-6AA	30 5-6AA		



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10:30am Worship

APRIL AT CROSSROADS

April 1

April 1 April Fool's Day



April 2 Maundy Thursday @ 7:00pm

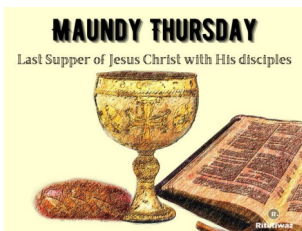
April 3 Good Friday

April 5 Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

April 23 Finance Meeting

April 26 Earth Day/Mid Spring Fellowship

April 28 Session Meeting



April 2nd



April 3rd



April 5th



April 26th Earth Day/ Mid-Spring Fellowship