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TALLMADGE LUTHERAN CHURCH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024

Winning the War in Your Mind



The life you have is a reflection of what you think. Like whitewater rapids rushing you downstream, your thoughts move your life in the direction of their strongest currents. The thoughts you believe, hold onto, and use to support your decisions determine your view of everything and everyone around you, including yourself.

The truth is... You probably don't stop and think about the power your thoughts have over your life—which only increases the power they have to determine your decisions and shape your actions. Simply put, what you think determines what you believe. Every thought in your brain produces a neurochemical change in your mind. And these thoughts shape your life. Once your thoughts determine what you believe, these beliefs then determine how you behave. In many ways, you become what you think about. Therefore, the better you grasp the importance of your thoughts, the better equipped you'll be to change your life in powerful ways.

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LIES

This battle over our mind is called a WAR because we face an enemy, the devil, who wants to kill you—but he can't—at least not physically. But the devil can lie to you and to me.

Incidentally, his lies are his fiercest weapon. Words are powerful. They have the ability to hurt or heal. God creates with his true and living word; the devil demolishes with his. This “father of lies” (John 8:44) wants us to doubt God’s promises, just as Adam and Eve did: “Did God actually say?” (Gen 3:1). He tries to lead us away from the entire truth with his manipulation—and he uses partial truths to do so. All lies are manipulations of the truth, and that is precisely why they are so compelling and believable. When we believe the devil’s distortions of the truth, our perception of reality becomes skewed.

God’s word alone must remain our filter in deciphering the meaning of life’s events; it must be the principal instrument through which we view our world. The devil is highly skilled at confirming the negative things we think about ourselves. He blows them out of proportion in hopes that they may eclipse the cross of Jesus.

Even as scientists and neurologists continue to confirm the power our thoughts have on us, God told us this truth more than 1,500 years ago: “For as [a person] thinks in his heart, so he is” (Proverbs 23:7 NKJV). God knows that what we focus on mentally affects every aspect of our lives because he created us that way.

This June, Pastor Andy will be preaching a sermon series on Winning the War in Your Mind. Drawing on God’s Word and the power of the Holy Spirit living in each of us, we will be challenged to

“take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:5). The Lord invites us to meditate on His words and to consider what God has done (Psalm 143:5). Instead of being conformed to the pattern of this world, God wants us to be transformed by the renewing of our mind (Romans 12:2). One of the ways we defeat negative thoughts is by reframing the troubles of this world in light of God’s promises to deliver us and to work good out of all things for the sake of those who love him (Romans 8:28). When we are anxious, the Lord gently invites us to present our requests to Him. (Philippians 4:6).



The goal of this sermon series is that each of us may experience “the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,” and that peace “will guard your hearts and minds in Jesus Christ” (Philippians 4:7).

We’ve all tried to think our way out of bad habits and unhealthy thought patterns, only to find ourselves stuck with an out-of-control mind and off-track daily life. You didn’t expect to be here. You didn’t mean to become a prisoner to the negative thoughts and patterns your thought-life has built. God has something better for your life than your old ways of thinking. It’s time to seek God’s help to win the war in your mind. Come worship this June and let your minds be transformed by the forgiveness and grace Jesus Christ won for you on the cross!

In Christ,

Pastor Andy



Operation Christmas Child

We appreciate each and every one of you for all your support this year. Truly, this mission cannot be accomplished without the participation of the whole congregation. For June, musical instruments and toys (harmonicas, kazoos, jump ropes, balls, etc.) would be great to add to the shoeboxes this year! Thank you for all your donations as we help to share the love of Christ to those who do not know Him. ~~ Alisha

Marriage Connect Group

We will have our next group study on Thursday, June 13 at 6:00 pm. We will be completing our 5 Love Languages study with... "Growing in Love". Shredded pork sliders and coleslaw will be on the menu. Bring a side dish to share.

Invite your friends who are married and have never been a part of our group! Let's grow our marriages together in Christ...it's never too late!

TLC Book Club

Join Pastor Andy on the third Monday of each month throughout 2024 to discuss a book

Monday, June 17 *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* by John Mark Comer.



Women's Fellowship

Tuesday, June 4, 11:00 am Haven of Rest Women's Auxiliary monthly luncheon. Meet by the three crosses at 10:45 am to carpool.

Tuesday, June 4, 7:00 pm "Music On The Lake" concert at Munroe Falls Metro Park.

The orchestra is the Metroparks' own talented people!

Meet at the lake near the main building for a picnic prior to the concert. Bring husbands, kids, friends and folding chairs. It's a family and friends affair!

The concert is 7:00 - 8:00 pm. Please arrive by 6:00 for the picnic. From North Munroe take the round-a-bout to South River Road. Entrance to the park is on your left. Go into the park, and make your first left and go to the first parking lot. Park near the fence and the building there. Look for the gate, and come on in!

Experience the Holy Land January 2025

Pastor Andy has rescheduled the trip to Israel (with an optional Egypt extension) traveling January 11-20, 2025. Departing from Cleveland the price for the Israel tour is \$4,792.

For the full trip brochure, please go to <https://www.tlcoh.org/2025-israel-trip/>

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Andy, pastorandy@tlcoh.org or (330) 203-5474.

MITES Sunday

MITE collection boxes can always be found in the Narthex and on the Donation Nook. Please place boxes in Sandy Dixon's mailbox.

Thank you for your support! -Sandy Dixon

Graduate Recognition Sunday

Sunday, June 2 (both services)

Please fill out the form by the mailboxes, add a picture or two, and place in the secretary's mailbox so TLC can recognize and celebrate you.

Dine & Donate at Danny Boys

Danny Boys on The Circle will donate 20% of all food purchases to the Youth Ministry on Thursday, June 20 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Mention TLC!!

All proceeds go towards the 2025 National Youth Gathering.

Family Fun Night!

Mark your calendars for our Annual Family Fun Night on Wednesday, June 26 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. This is an outreach opportunity for our summer King's Kids program, but we love to extend this to our TLC family as well.

Join us for a bouncy house, lawn games, hotdogs on the grill, face painting and more!

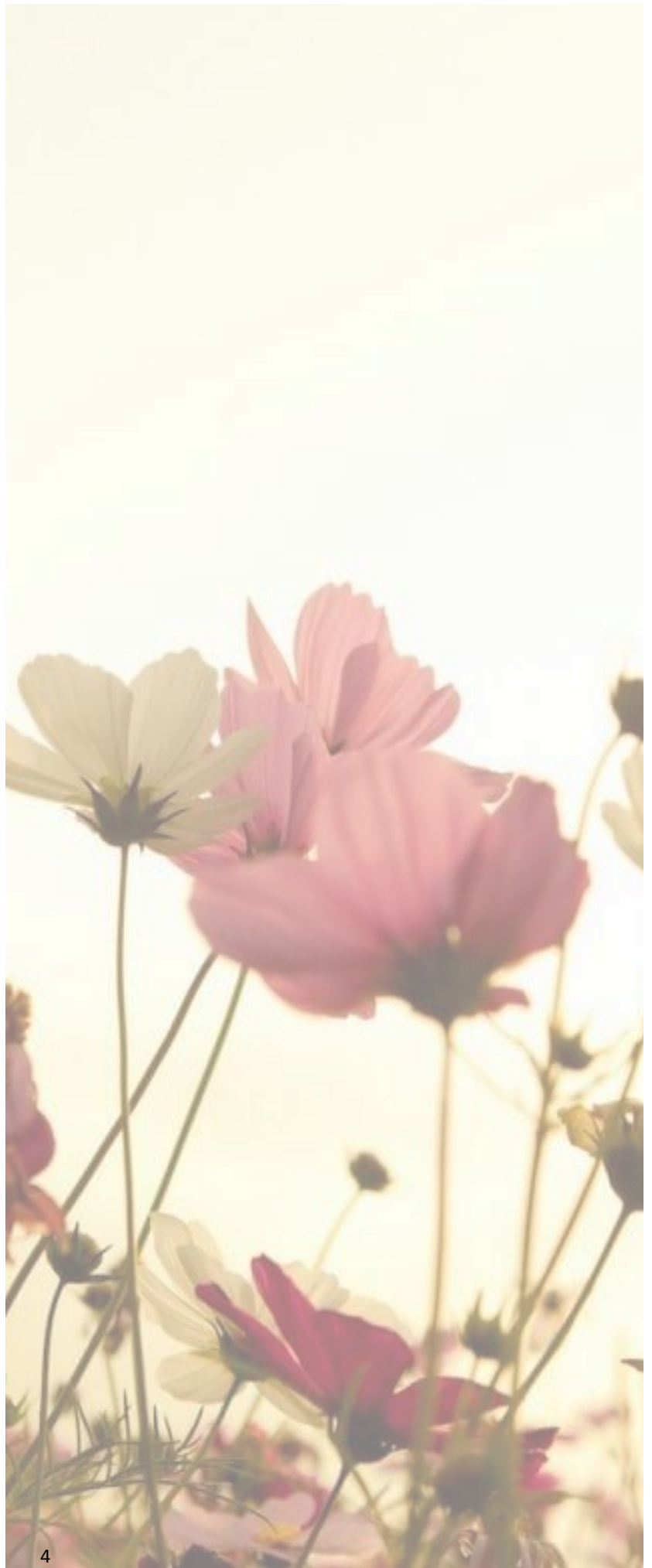
No need to RSVP, just come and join us for the fun!

Blessing of Backpacks

It's time to start collecting items! Keep your eyes open for these items while you are out shopping. Please place all donations in the donation area in the bins marked "PS Supplies" by August 1st.

- * 24 count boxes of crayons
- * Pencils
- * Washable markers

Thank you for helping us meet our goal to pack 75 Backpacks for the preschool students!



Vacation Bible School

We are diving deep into VBS prep at TLC and we need your help!

This year's program is Scuba: Diving into friendship with God, June 17 - June 21. We are looking for station and crew leaders as well as help with planning and decorating. There are many roles to be filled whether you can be present that week or just want to help behind the scenes before and after. Dates/times to meet for crafting and creating will be posted soon but we are looking for a few new and used donations to be collected now.

Recycled items we need: brown packing paper or paper grocery bags, large cardboard pieces (from appliances, big items), blue Christmas lights.

A few other items we will need to purchase include spray foam, green and blue crepe paper, coffee filters, & bright, solid colored cupcake liners. If you come across these items at home or see a good deal at the store please help us out and drop them in the VBS collection box at church.

The next meeting is June 8, 10:00 am in the Youth Room.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Questions contact Regina Kodzev 330-212-8365 reginalouisekostko@yahoo.com



Congratulation Confirmands!



Elias, Brenden, Paul
Laralie, Molly & Emma

Tallmadge Police, Fire & Ems *Appreciation Lunch*

The 3rd Annual Tallmadge City Luncheon for employees, Fire/Police, and service workers was held on May 17, 2024.

The rain did not keep them away from enjoying a catered lunch of hamburgers and hotdogs, homemade salads, and desserts served by TLC members.

Each person was also given a gift of appreciation for their service to our community.

Special thanks goes out to the volunteer crew that made this happen:

Gail McAlister, Betty Scaife, Pam Meece, Janet Buckles, Pam Klicman, Janice Kobb, and Jeannine Case!

A special thank you was extended from Mayor Kilway and her staff as well!



Friendship Sunday



Several of the Preschool families and the Preschool staff joined us for Friendship Sunday!

The kids sang *Jesus Loves Me* and joined Ms. Gail for the children's message.

A reception in the Fellowship Hall followed the service.

It's such a blessing to have this partnership with our Preschool!



In The Community

2024 Maca Aquatic Center Memberships [Maca Memberships | Tallmadge, OH \(tallmadge-ohio.org\)](https://www.tallmadge-ohio.org/maca-memberships)

Passes can be purchased at the Tallmadge Recreation Center. NEW - Members can enjoy member-only days on Tuesdays!

Music on Tallmadge Circle 2024 Season Schedule [Music on the Circle | Tallmadge, OH \(tallmadge-ohio.org\)](https://www.tallmadge-ohio.org/music-on-the-circle)

June 6: New Wave Nation (80s Music), June 20: Sensational Soul Brothers (Blues Brothers Cover Band), July 18: Wishgarden (Rock), August 1: The Belairs (Oldies)

Touch A Truck [Touch-a-Truck | Tallmadge, OH \(tallmadge-ohio.org\)](https://www.tallmadge-ohio.org/touch-a-truck)

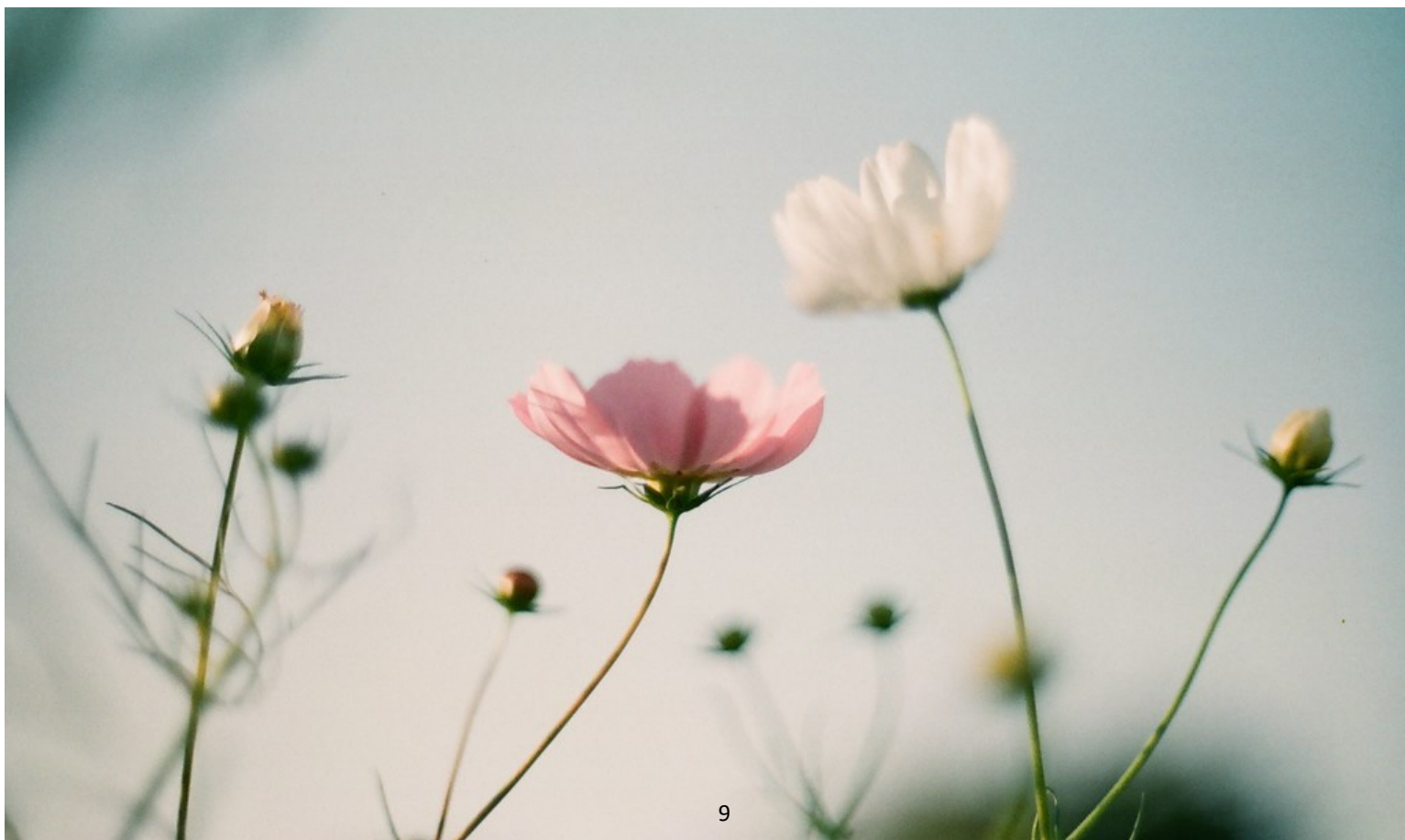
Saturday, June 8, 2024, 10: 00 am - 12:00 pm. Is your child obsessed with big trucks? Most are! That was the inspiration behind this event at the Tallmadge Recreation Center. Touch a Truck gives children the opportunity to get a close up look at those big trucks they love! We have Tallmadge City Vehicles, mail trucks, fire trucks, army vehicles and other cool surprises!

Music By The Lake <https://www.summitmetroparks.org/>

Tuesday, June 4, 7:00 pm. Munroe Falls Metro Park concerts will be held at the Main Beach Shelter Area (521 S. River Rd., Munroe Falls)

Riverfront Irish Festival [Riverfront Irish Festival](https://www.riverfrontirishfestival.com/)

June 14, 15 & 16. Free admission & parking. Music, food, and marketplace.



Sunday School Corner

June's Theme: **JOY**

The connection between JOY and GOD'S CHARACTER
as shown through God's story.

JOY is choosing to celebrate what God is doing.

We are moving into summer session, so expect games, crafts,
a snack, and The Story Lab! Come see us!

Sundays, 9:20- 10:15 am in Room 7



The Music Ministry: *Happy Summer!*

Summer is here!

Summer is a great time to get involved with our music ministry.

Our full choir and bells will take a break, but there is a lot of room for small groups to sing or play. If there is a song that you are interested in sharing, or would like to work with Annie on preparing something, please let her know.

We would love to have you share your gifts in church!



Youth Group News

Beth Niermann

Jared Shoup

Jen Larson

Memorial Day Banners

Over 42 Memorial Banners made.

Thank you for your support!

Happy Memorial Day to you from the Youth Group

Dine & Donate

Danny Boys on The Circle will donate 20% of all food purchases to the Youth Ministry on Thursday, June 20 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Mention TLC!!

All proceeds go towards the 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

TLC Building Projects

Your financial gifts help us care for God's House.

Completed:

Boiler Inspection complete

Blinds in Choir loft

Blinds in Rooms 2 & 4

Staff restroom toilet repaired

Boiler repaired

Stripe & seal of parking lot completed

Additional handicap spaces

Wall repair behind water stations

Upcoming Projects:

Church sign





Preschool and King's Kids



TCP: Congratulations 2024 PreK Graduates!

Have the best time this summer and starting Kindergarten.

We are SO proud of you!

KK: Welcome Summer Camp

Kings' Kids' kids!

It's going to be a great summer!!!



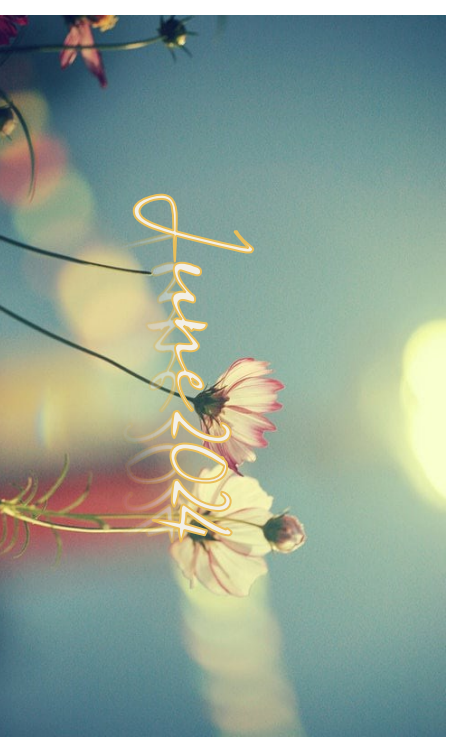
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2 Graduation Recognition Sunday 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20am Bible Study 9:20am Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30am Worship	3 9:30am Bible Study (Rm 12) 5:30pm Bible Study (Youth Rm) 7:00pm Board of Elders (Rm 12)	4 9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:30pm Food Packing (youth room) 7:00pm Women's Fellowship (Munroe Falls)	5 KK Summer Field Trip (gym, pavilion) 7:00am Men's Bible Study (Panera) 10:00am Sewing for Service (Kilman)	6 6:00pm Marriage Connect Group (Rm 12)	7 1:00pm - 3:00pm Prayer Shawl (Rm 12)	8 10:00am VBS Meeting (Youth Rm)
9 12:00pm The Riley Anniversary luncheon 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20am Bible Study 9:20am Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) 10:30am Worship	10 8:30am Food Parity Pick-Up 9:30am Bible Study (Rm 12) 7:00pm Board of Directors (Rm 12)	11 10:00am Bible Study (Rm 12)	12 KK Summer Field Trip (gym, pavilion) 7:00am Men's Bible Study (Panera)	13 6:00pm Marriage Connect Group (Rm 12)	14	15 12:00pm Wise Owls (Rm 12)
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Birthdays

3 James Bailey	15 Brian Kuntz
5 Kathy Vanaman	17 Trudy Heck
7 Diane Richard	19 Teandra Harsey
7 Dennis Gearhart	21 Richard Goebelt
7 Betty Scaife	21 Janet Buckles
7 Kayden Riley	23 Becky Springer
8 Emma Alberts	24 Timothy Richard
8 Jim Case	27 Augustine Dussel
11 Walter Broemsen	29 Catherine Kenny
13 Jon Huck	30 Isaac Parmelee

Anniversaries

3 Mr. & Mrs. Tim Ross	19 Mr. & Mrs. Josh Eyring
6 Rev & Mrs. Douglas Riley	20 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bloom
9 Mr. & Mrs. James Riley	21 Mr. & Mrs. Shawn DeWolf
19 Mr. & Mrs. Von Alleshouse	23 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Gearhart



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GROW as disciples of Christ, *CARE* for one another, and *SHARE* the love of Jesus in our community.

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