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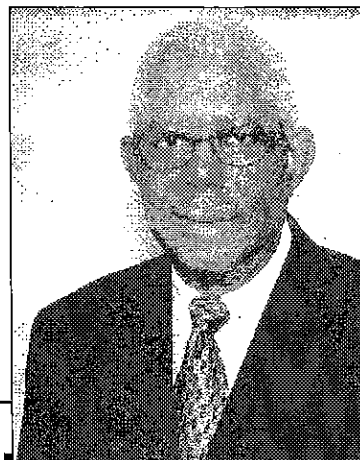
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2015 THEME: "Aiming for higher ground"

Scripture: *Philippians 3:13-14*



Rev. James S. Allen

Pastor's Corner

From the Pastor

We begin a new year in the life of the Vine Memorial Baptist Church with a sense of hope and the confident assurance that God will usher us through this year to His glory and honor. It is with much appreciation that I look down the corridor of time and see great things for our church this year. We rejoice in the fact that in 2014 we met and exceeded our budget, but we cannot sit on our accomplishments and not strive to beat our best in 2015. Therefore, I hope you will consider this an appeal from your pastor to be a faithful and loyal worker in the arena of worship, evangelism, Christian education, missions and other ministries that are basics for the church as we attempt to fulfill the purpose of the Lord Jesus Christ for His church. We must not allow satanic obstacles to prevent us from being faithful to our Savior this year. This Newsletter will serve as an important vehicle to express your support for your church, and above all, your commitment to the God who loves all of us.

I cannot complete this communication without expressing how very much I have appreciated being your pastor. The years have unfolded with some pain, but the joy has always exceeded the pain. We must commit ourselves anew to the cause of Christ, and to the determination that we will strive to excel in 2015. God's grace is still available to us, and we must not mar God's grace. You have been a people who have always expressed your commitment to your God, to your church, and to your pastor. And in the face of all that is going on in our world that would darken the road that we must travel in order to be serious witnesses for Jesus Christ, we are compelled to rise to another level in our commitment and in our service to God by serving one another, and the people of God in general.

The spiritual atmosphere in the nation today demands that we rise to the lofty heights of being the very best Christian Church we can be to announce to the world that we are the servants of God, and that we will not allow the influence of negativity to blight our service for our God. "To serve this present age, my calling to fulfill: O may it all my power engage to do my Master's will."

REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 a.m. Church Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Devotions
10:15 a.m. Morning Worship Service

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

10:30 - 12:00 Noon Bible Study
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Hour of Power
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Bible Study
8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Mid Week Worship

Baptism (Every 5th Sunday) * Lord's Supper (Every 2nd Sunday)

Radio Broadcast — can be heard: Saturdays 10:00 a.m. on WNAP (Gospel Highway 11) 1110 on the AM dial AND
Sundays 3:00 a.m. on WURD (900 AM dial)

F.Y.I.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**PRAISE & WORSHIP MINISTRY
MUSIC TO OUR EARS!**

The Praise and Worship Ministry has done an awesome job of setting the tone for morning worship and other services. They have been blessed to receive a musician accompanist (Trustee Wayne Morris now has help). *The recent addition to the ministry is musician, Duane Kennerly.* The rehearsal and meeting time has been changed to Saturdays 12 noon. New members are encouraged to join them. For further information please contact Lorraine Gilliam, director.

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TURN THAT RADIO UP

The Vine Memorial radio broadcast continues to outreach to the community. If you can't come to Vine, then the radio ministry is a way for Vine to come to you. *The airtimes are Saturdays 10 a.m. on Gospel Highway WNAP 1110 AM dial and Sundays 3a.m. on WURD 900 AM dial.* Please continue to support this ministry and remember to turn that radio up to hear the broadcast.

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SON OF VINE NEW AUTHOR

Pastor Allen has offered encouragement and support for the *book launching of Vine's Ministry Son, Rev. Winston Keene.* He has just released a new publication "*When Self Fails You, GOD Will Sustain You*" with forward written by Pastor James S. Allen. The book is available on Amazon.com. Rev. Keene was baptized, ordained deacon and licensed minister by Pastor Allen. The book chronicles his journey from sinful to sin saving. Congrats to you Rev. Keene for your literary success.

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**VINE SUPPORTS FLU
PREVENTION**

As part of a healthy church philosophy, Vine Memorial coordinates an *annual Flu Immunization.* It is a two-fold opportunity for members and the community to receive the convenience of getting prepared for the up-coming Flu Season. On Wednesday afternoon, October 29th, the Department of Public Health serviced the uninsured ages 19-64 and Rite Aid serviced the insured. The Nurses Ministry coordinates this yearly service.

Our stewardship is based on thanksgiving. We give of our time, talent and treasure out of gratitude for all the blessings and gifts God showers on us, regardless of the needs of those we serve.

Submitted by, Deaconess Evelyn Parker

**TIPS TO AVOID THE TELEMARKETING
& UNWANTED MAIL**

Are you tired of unwanted telemarketing calls? Contact the Do Not Call Registry at 1-888-382-1222 or www.donotcall.gov. And mail? Is un-wanted e-mail piling up in your inbox? Remember to go to the unsubscribe button found at the bottom of the message. Want to opt out of credit and insurance offers, call 1-888-567-8688 or www.optoutprescreen.com.

Submitted by,
Deaconess Laurine Simon

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ENVELOPE PLEASE

Attention All Vine Members! Please pick up your 2015 Year church envelopes as soon as possible.

The envelopes are available in the lower level of the church after morning worship. If you are physically challenged, you can request a Deacon or designated Ushers to retrieve your envelop and bring them to you in the West Wing after service.

Pastor Allen would like everyone to receive their envelopes in January. Thank you.

MISSIONARY

**THE HARVEST NEEDS
REPLENISHING**

Feeding the hungry, assisting in various ways for persons and families in crisis, or periodic needs based on income and other factors, is an endeared principal of Vine Memorial. As a part of our covenant, we promise such support to those in need. Food and water are earthly requirements that all must have access to for survival and health. *The Food Pantry needs to be continually restocked in order to serve the community.* The Missionary Ministry needs our regular contributions of non-perishable goods or supermarket gift cards. Every Sunday or weekly meeting/rehearsal you attend, are excellent times to bring a donation. Donations are accepted during the week at the church office as well as evenings. Think about others and drop off your donations on a regular basis. See Deaconess Ida Lowe if you have any questions about our Food Pantry needs.

**REASONS TO ATTEND
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

"The Sunday School in the church is organized to fulfill the purpose of the Church."

What is the purpose of the church? The purpose of the local church is to win, baptize, and disciple believers in Jesus Christ.

While many churches have increasingly neglected the importance of the Sunday school ministry, it is time for God's people to renew their faithful commitment to this all important ministry of the local church. It is through the small group ministry (or Sunday school; however you choose to utilize this philosophy) that we can fulfill what Christ has commanded us to do.

Here are seven reasons why every Christian should attend Sunday School fellowships in the church...

1. Sunday School **establishes** total involvement in the local church. (*Hebrews 10:25*)
2. Sunday School **embodies** the practice of the Great Commission. (*Matthew 28: 19-20*)
3. Sunday School **encourages** through small group fellowship and activity. (*Acts 2:42, 46*)
4. Sunday School **embraces** what Christ began with His disciples. (*Matthew 10:1a, Acts 5:20-21, 42*)
5. Sunday School **equips** the believer for ministry and discipleship. (*2 Timothy 2:2*)
6. Sunday School **enhances** our ability to honor God's Day. (*Exodus 20:8*)
7. Sunday School **expresses** our love for Christ and His church. (*Ephesians 5:22-27*)

Author Unknown

We, the Vine Memorial Church School Teachers, invite our church family to attend Sunday school. We meet every Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. There is a seat and class for everyone from 2 to 102. Can we count on you in 2015?

When you think about your church offering, do you think in terms of "how much is the church budget?" Whether "they spend it wisely?" or "how much can I afford to give?" or, do you think in terms of how many blessings the Lord has showered on your life and the privilege of saying "thank you" through your financial response to the church's work.



D'VINE REFLECTIONS

THE MESSIAH COMES TO VINE IN FULL REGALIA

The 60th Year Chancel and Young Adult Choir Anniversary ended in royal fashion with the presentation of The Messiah by George Frederick Handel. It included Chancel & Young Adult Choirs, Alumnae & Friends. The regalia was the Chamber Orchestra & Organ accompaniment and the combined direction of Lorraine A. Witts, Chancel Director and Cora T. Wells, former Young Adult & Chancel Director. The glory of the Lord was exalted and the prophesy was fulfilled as the congregants were evolved into the spiritual richness of the Messiah coming to Vine. Hallelujah...Hallelujah. Thank you Chancel Choir for a joyously bountiful year of celebration.

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GREETINGS FROM THE WOMEN OF VINE

The year 2014 was a year of excitement and praise for Vine's women. *The first "in house retreat"* was a spiritual success. We thank all the women who were involved in its conception and especially Pastor Allen for the support and encouragement. The Women's Ministry looks forward to 2015 and all the wonderful things the Lord has in store for us. All women of Vine and friends are invited to join us *every second Saturday for our meeting and fellowship.*

*Yours In Christ,
Deaconess Patricia Evans, President*

REV. CLINTON HOGGARD ORDINATION

Congratulations and blessings go to Reverend Clinton Hoggard, son of Vine. Pastor Allen provided the spoken word and led the Acts of Ordination for Rev. Hoggard on Sunday, December 28th. Family and friends attended the service and the Hoggard family presented him with a preachers robe. Pastor Allen offered fatherly advice and encouragement.

Additionally, Pastor Allen shared the Vine pulpit with Rev. Robert McFadden, pastor of Resurrection Baptist Church, and the Ordination Council to charge and ordain Rev. Alphonza Miller. Rev. Miller remarked that his ministry seed was planted at Vine Memorial as a youngster as he participated in our annual Vacation Bible School.

Both reverends received the Laying on of Hands by the Ordination Council and ordained clergy in attendance. They have been charged to move forth and serve God!

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENT

If you are between the ages of 19 and 38, we invite your participation in the Young Adult Fellowship Ministry. An exciting calendar of events – including, but not limited to, workshops on evangelism, finances and personal relationships; outreach and service projects, fellowship dinners and fund-raising outings, have been approved by church leadership. But we need your participation! *Effective February, 2015, the ministry will meet every 2nd Friday at 7:00 pm.* Please check the weekly Herald as a reminder.

If you are not a Young Adult as defined above, we still welcome your participation in the form of mentoring or providing your expertise or assistance. If you know a young adult that is not active, please give their contact information to Donna Carter, Coordinator (267-496-1921) so an active member of the ministry can reach out to them.

*Submitted by
Donna Carter, Coordinator*

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**TAKE TIME TO PRAY FOR YOUR CHURCH AND THOSE ON THE
NEEDING PRAYER LIST AS WELL AS THE SICK AND SHUT-IN!!!**

BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH WITH YOU!!

**FILL IN THE BLANK
"CH_RCH"
U are missing in Church!!**

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

VINE MEMORIAL AMENDS IT'S BY-LAWS —PART 2

The Constitutional Revision Committee has completed and has taken the Revised Constitution through all of the steps necessary to get it Approved by the Congregation in March, 2014. This entailed an extraction of the policy portions of the Old Constitution and editing them to make them current, clear, and correct.

We are now working on the By-Laws, which designate the operational functions for the administration of the Church. Currently, we are reviewing all of the Ministries in the Church and ensuring that their goals and procedures are clear and measurable. We expect to have completed the document by the end of June, 2015.

Before seeking the final approval of the Congregation, we will strive to provide a full orientation of both documents to every member of the Church to make sure that the document is clear in its purpose, that each member is familiar with all of their rights and responsibilities as a member and exactly how the Administrative portions of the Church should function. We hope to present the completed Document for Approval in December of 2015, for full implementation in January of 2016. Each step will be approved by Pastor before we move to the next step.

I wish to thank all of the Members of the Committee for their hard work in moving this assignment forward. All of us thank Pastor for entrusting us with this important work. We thank God for giving us wisdom, strength and direction.



*Barry Robinson, Chair
James S. Allen, DDS, Pastor*

KULTURAL KORNER

DID YOU KNOW?

THE HISTORY OF WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Many African American churches schedule Watch Night and New Year's Eve celebrations. Often churches join together in fellowship. *The origin of this service was enacted 1864 as Freedom Eve to bring in the new year with thanksgiving for the end of slavery.* Significant historic activities took place on the January 1st day. In 1780 the Emancipation Proclamation was issued; the Pennsylvania legislation enacted the Emancipation Act. It was the purpose of New Year's Resolutions (prayer) of reaching out to the high calling and wishing for freedom. Historically it was a two hour celebration and service started at 10 p.m.

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PHILADELPHIA HERITAGE BRANCH OF ASALH THE OLDEST BRANCH OF ASALH-FOUNDED IN 1929

Branches Philadelphia Heritage and PhilaMontco of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) is observing its centennial celebration. The program will be held at Berean Presbyterian Church located at Broad and Diamond Streets on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at Noon.

The program will feature the history and culture of African Americans through inspirational music, military re-enactments, government citations, historical and literary exhibits and a dramatic preview, entitled "Marching to Freedomland," by FreshVisions Youth Theatre.* This free event is open to the public. For more information, contact Regina Vaughn at:

asalhphilaheritage@gmail.com

Submitted by,
Regina Vaughn

KULTURAL KORNER

By Anita Barnes Cauthorn

A Bit of History

- The Genius of Freedom: Northern Black Activism and Uplift After the Civil War exhibit at:
The Library Company, 1314 Locust Street.
- Broken Bodies & Suffering Spirits... Injury, Death & Healing in the Civil War, Philadelphia exhibit at:
The Mutter Museum, 19 S. 22nd Street.
- African American Museum Philadelphia, 701 Arch Street, exhibits Conversations with Philadelphians.
- African American Experience in Philadelphia, an online history exhibit by Philadelphia History Museum at:
Atwater Kent, 15 S. 7th Street.
- Museum Without Walls presents "All Wars Memorial to Colored Soldiers & Sailors" narrated by Charles Fuller. Contact to download at:
musuemwithoutwallsaudio.org
- Marian Anderson Residence & Museum, 762 Martin Street, contact:
mariaandersonhistoricalsocietymuseum.com
- Paul Robeson Residence & Museum 4951 Walnut Street, Contact:
West Philadelphia Cultural Alliance
- Lest We Forget Museum by appointment or traveling exhibit
Contact: 215-397-6060.



Did You Know...

- **Media Ministry** has Messiah, Chancel Anniversary Concert with guest Professor Gregory Hopkins and the Young Adult Choir of Convent Baptist Church of New York is available. Pickup order forms outside the church office.
- **Men's Ministry** held a special Chat and Chew Breakfast with Pastor Allen at the Centennial Café in Fairmount Park on October 4th.
- **Sister Lorraine Gilliam** is the new **Human Service Coordinator** for Vine Memorial. She is available in the church office daily 9AM-5PM.
- **The Male Chorus** held a concert with the rousing voices of Godly men singing praises to the Lord. Tapes are available. Sister Zara Bradley, director and Dr. Walter Wrenn, president. Rehearsals are Friday evenings at 7PM...welcome men!
- **Chancel Choir** celebratory services included an afternoon of music with the Young Adult Choir of Convent Baptist Church of New York under the direction of Professor Gregory Hopkins. This event took place on Sunday, October 19th.
- **Congratulations** to the proud grandparents Deacon Kenneth & Carol Walker for the newest family addition grandson Logan (8lbs 9ozs) born in December 2014.
- **Pastor Allen** is pleased that the various ministries have increased Nursing Homes visitation.
- **D'Vine Purpose Praise Dance** has begun their season 2015 rehearsals. For info check in with the church office.
- **The Sewing & Crochet Class** now meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10AM.
- **Discipleship Academy** classes have resumed at the 10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wednesday schedule.

YOUTH CORNER

YOUNG VOICES OF VINE RETURNS TO SERVICE

On Sunday, December 28th, Vine Memorial was excited to have the *return of our Young Voices of Vine* in worship service participation. The new leadership for the youth choir is Sister Lorraine Gilliam, director and Brother Duane Kennerly, musician. The congregation was glad to receive them. Pastor Allen is requesting that Vine support the Young Voices and recruit more voices. The rehearsal time is now Saturdays from 10a.m. to 12 noon. The young Voices are looking for more youth to rejoin or join a new. For further information contact the church office.

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RESOLUTIONS YOU SHOULD MAKE TODAY . . .

because today is the first day of the rest of your life.

Most resolutions are not taken seriously, but this set from the Bible should be adopted by every Christian. We should do our utmost to keep them, and the Holy Spirit is ever willing to help us.

9 Resolve Like

PAUL – to forget the past and press on toward the mark set before me by Christ. (Philippians 3:13)

STEPHEN – to exhibit a forgiving attitude toward those who seek my harm (Acts 7:60)

DANIEL – To continue in prayer even during severe adversity (Daniel 6:20)

MOSES – to choose suffering rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season (Hebrews 24,25)

CALEB & JOSHUA - to refuse to let superior numbers bend me from the path of truth (Numbers 14:6-9).

JOB - to trust in God even when I do not understand His way with me (Job 13:15)

AARON AND HUR—to uphold the hands of my spiritual leaders (Exodus 17:12)

TIMOTHY - to be thoroughly acquainted with the Holy Scriptures (II Timothy 3:15)

JOSEPH - to flee all situations that presents strong temptations (Genesis 39:12)

PETER AND JOHN - to live and act in such a way that others will marvel and recognize that I have been with Jesus (Acts 4:13)

ANDREW - to try to lead my relatives into a closer walk with Jesus (John 1:40-41)

ABRAHAM - to live by faith, as a pilgrim on earth, looking for the city whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:8-13)

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LADDER OF REASON

Are You Moving on the Ladder?

Five reasons to give to your Church – a ladder that begins with:

FEAR: If I don't give, God will be displeased or the canvasser will think I'm a cheapskate.

GUILT: I can't seem to get there on Sundays, but at least I will send some money.

INSURANCE: I may need the Church someday, so I'd better support it now.

GOOD WILL: Churches are good things in our community. They deserve my support.

LOYALTY: If I'm going to belong to something, I'll pay my dues.

Above this ladder of responses, there is found a second ladder which includes:

THANKSGIVING: A full heart easily overflows. I give because I have received.

LOVE: Just as I cannot live without breathing. I cannot love without giving.

SHARING: I participate in the work of the Hope of the world as I offer time, talent, and money.

A SENSE OF STEWARDSHIP: All that I have and am and will be, come from God, and I return to him what has really been his will all along.

Submitted by Deaconess Evelyn Parker

BIBLE TERMS

By Nina Bridgett

SAVIOR – Jesus Christ, one who saves (Matthew 1:21). And she shall bring forth a Son and thou shalt call his name Jesus.

SALVATION – A saving or being saved. Person that saves. A saving of the soul – Christ the salvation of the world. Acts: 4:12 – Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, where by the must be saved.

CHRISTIAN – A person believing in Christ as Savior; following the teaching of Christ. Act 11:26 - And the disciples were called Christians. . .

SAVED – Brought out of danger, to rescue, make save. Ephesian 2:8 - For by grace are we saved through faith and that not of yourself: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast.

REDEEM – to buy back, to free from sin to free from captivity by Paying Ransom. Titus 2:14 – who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity . . .

REDEMPTION – Rescue, act of redeeming, state of being redeemed. To regain. Col 1:14 – In whom we have redemption through His Blood, even the forgiveness of sins.

RANSOM – A price paid – redemption of a captive by payment. To free by a payment.

Christ, the ransom for our soul.

(One Mediator) between God and Man

– I Timothy 2:5-6

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AUTUMN

When leaves, once green, are tinged with gold
And others russet brown,
It's one sure sign that lovely Autumn
Has once more come to town!
Winding paths look so entrancing,
Inviting you to walk
And hear the leaves beneath your feet . . .
No need to sing or talk.
The hand of God is everywhere
Turning trees to flame!
The green of leaves has vanished now
And glory is its name!
May we, dear Lord, just like the leaves,
Change to shade of love
With every day a chance to pray
And honor God above.

*By Margaret Peterson,
Submitted by Burwlyn G. Anderson*

To Your Health

ELLA'S HEALTHY HEARTY VEGETABLE SOUP

Ingredients:

- Bag of Frozen mixed vegetables
- 1-2 Garlic Clove (s)
- 1 medium size green pepper
- 1 sweet onion
- 1-2 scallion (s)
- 1-2 Shallot (s)
- 1 Jalapeno Pepper
- 1 or ½ can Crushed Tomatoes
- 1 or ½ can Marinated tomatoes
- ½ cup Fresh Spinach
- ½ cup Fresh Mushrooms
- 1-4 slices of bacon or smoked hocks or smoked turkey meat or ox tails
- ¼ c. Olive Oil
- 1 or ½ Stick of Butter
- 1-2 cup (s) water



Seasonings: Pinch of each seasoning or season to taste:

- Garlic Powder
- Season salt or sea salt or salt substitute
- Black pepper
- Thyme
- Italian seasoning
- Curry powder
- Parsley flakes

Directions:

Mince all vegetables, set aside to add to soup later. In a pot, fry bacon; remove bacon and keep bacon grease. Add olive oil and butter to bacon grease; allow melting and mixing. Add minced vegetables and frozen mixed vegetables. Allow all vegetables to simmer in bacon grease, olive oil and butter; add all seasonings while vegetables are simmering. Pour marinated tomatoes, crushed tomatoes and water into the mixture and stir. You can add crumbled bacon strips or meat of your choice back into the mixture. Allow to cook for approximately 30 minutes to 1-hour. Have a peanut butter & Jelly sandwich on whole wheat bread or a grilled cheese sandwich or whole wheat bread to accompany the soup.

*God bless your health,
Valerie L. Grant, MS, RD, CD*

ANOTHER RECIPE . . .

CHOCOLATE BANANA PEANUT BUTTER SMOOTHIE

Ingredients:

- 2 cups of ice
- 1 banana
- 1/8 cup of PB2 Powered Peanut Butter
- ½ cup plain Greek Yogurt
- 1 ½ teaspoon of honey
- ¼ cup of chocolate almond milk, unsweetened
- 2 scoops of vanilla protein powder

Directions:

Combine all ingredients in a blender and whirl until smooth

*Recipe from family circle
submitted by Burwlyn G. Anderson*



CALENDAR DATES

FEBRUARY 2015

- Wed. 4th *Discipleship Academy:*
10:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Mid Week Prayer Service
12:00 noon & 8:00 p.m.
- Sat. 7th - *Income Tax*
10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
- Sun. 8th - *The Lord's Supper*
10:00 a.m.
- Sat. 14th - *Income Tax*
10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Evangelism Ministry
Couple's Night
- Sun. 15th - *Trustee Ministry Anniversary*
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
- Sat. 21st - *Income Tax*
10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Young Adult Ministry
Int'l Tea - 2:00 p.m.
- Sun. 22nd - *Young Adult Sunday*
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
- Sat. 28th - *Income Tax*
10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

MARCH 2015

- Wed. 4th *Discipleship Academy:*
10:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Mid Week Prayer Service
12:00 noon & 8:00 p.m.
- Sat. 7th - *Income Tax*
10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
- Sun. 8th - *The Lord's Supper*
10:00 a.m.
- Fri. 13th - *Young Adult Ministry*
Family Night - 7:00 p.m.
- Sat. 14th - *WPBCCE Poster Contest*
1:00 p.m.
- Sat. 21st - *WPBCCE Speaker's Contest*
1:00 p.m.
- Sun. 29th - *Palm Sunday Worship Service*

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