

The Covenant Newsletter



January 2012

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Minister's Message

"The mission of Covenant Presbyterian Church is to encourage a diverse worship family that is representative of our past and embraces our future."

The week before Christmas, our church was shaken up by the news of the passing of our emeritus pastor, the Rev. Dr. Hugh Smith III. He was the faith leader of Covenant for almost 29 years, and his spiritual presence has been life-changing for many. Rev. Smith left a blessed legacy of incredible faithful service to God and all the people he encountered in life in the two parishes he served. He was a gifted spiritual director (his third parish, really), always present with God's love and care for people from all walks of life, being able to guide them, lift their spirits, and grow their faith. His spiritual strength was infectious, and carried many through whatever was troubling them.

The first Sunday we were together at Covenant after Rev. Smith's passing was the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The theme of that Sunday is love, very fitting because Rev. Smith lived and shared God's love, everywhere he was. As I am writing this, we are two days away from Rev. Smith's memorial service. But we did celebrate Christmas already, celebrating again the gift of God's love, born in a manger; Rev. Smith served and lived out of the graciousness of that gift, spreading God's love around freely. He taught and preached that "God will finally lead you to the fulfillment you have always been seeking. The word from cradle to cross is the same: 'Don't be afraid. Trust me.' And the divine love can be found in all places, as well as deep inside us. The journey is not a physical one, but a spiritual one. The challenge is to accept the journey of your life, trusting God to lead you home."

For Barbara and the family and all his friends Rev. Smith left behind we continue to pray:

God of all life, we thank you for the life of the Rev. Hugh Smith III. On this day, O God, we know that Hugh is with you now. We ask that you be with his family and friends in the days and months ahead, as sorrow weaves its shadow around them.

Through the power of Christ's resurrection, restore our hope and give us strength to carry on with life.

We pray that your grace and love will be an abiding presence in this time of need. Grant all Hugh's loved ones your peace. Amen.

Jan Willem

Jan Willem van der Werff



The Rev. Dr. Hugh Smith III

The Rev. Dr. Hugh Smith III, Covenant Church's second pastor, died Dec. 15, 2011, in West Chester, Pa., near Coatesville, where he and his wife Barbara Jean (Sanford) Smith had resided since his retirement from Covenant in September 2004. He was 70.

Hugh was ordained as a minister of the Presbyterian Church USA after his graduation in 1968 from Princeton Theological Seminary, where he also received a doctorate in ministry in 1992. He served as pastor at Bellevue Presbyterian Church in Gap, Pa., for seven years, and was called to Covenant in January 1976 upon the retirement of the church's founding minister, the Rev. Dr. Allan R. Winn.

One of his first actions here was to form a committee that recommended the consolidation of the Session and Board of Trustees into a unitary board and the creation of a system of commissions to oversee the various activities of the church. The Session quickly adopted the plan.

During his more than 28 years in Covenant's pulpit, he became a beloved figure to the congregation and a leader in the Presbytery of New Brunswick, in the Trenton-wide ecumenical movement and in Oasis Ministries for Spiritual Development. He was an active member of the ECHO board and was instrumental in obtaining funding for the organization.

Church members looked forward each Sunday to his eloquent sermons and his ingenious children's messages, as well as his monthly Parson to Person column in the church newsletter. After his retirement from full-time ministry, he and Barbara moved to Coatesville, where together they attended the Downingtown Friends Meeting and he continued to serve as a spiritual director and a mentor to young pastors. Time with family was important to him, and he enjoyed nature, writing poetry, painting, and music.

A memorial service was to be held Thursday, Dec. 29, at the West Chester Friends Meetinghouse.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to Barbara, his wife of 48 years; his four children, Hugh Sanford Smith, Kimberly Bariya Sanford Smith, Laurie Elizabeth Smith and Scott Andrew Smith; their spouses, and his many grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other loved ones.

Message from Your Treasurer

The end of year has arrived. If your 2011 pledge is not up to date, you can still catch up and have it recorded on your 2011 statement if you do so by Sunday, January 8, 2012. Also, if you have any receipts from bills to the church, please submit them to me by January 8. This will be greatly appreciated, because it will help us close out the 2011 year in a timely manner, and have all financial records ready for the annual meeting.

Thank you for your help, *Mickey Reilly*

Covenant Peacemaking Quilt: Part II



Again, thanks to each of you who have been involved in this effort since it began in July 2011. It has truly been an inspiration and blessing to me to coordinate such a church/community effort. We shall enjoy seeing this finished quilt hung in the entryway of Covenant Church.

We now have more squares than needed for the 70 x 70 quilt. We will design a second quilt, beginning early in January. Squares presently are being completed by Mercer Street Friends, WomanSpace, ARC, NAMI, Sam Naples Senior Center and other service

agencies in the Trenton area.

A meeting of everyone involved in this project, along with friends and other interested persons, will be held Sunday, January 22, immediately after worship.

All are invited to attend our 10:30 a.m. worship service on January 22, 2012 to be recognized, take pictures with groups beside the hung quilt, enjoy a potluck meal and attend a mini-peacemaking seminar. You can attend as much of the service of the day as your schedule permits.

There continues to be strong interest on the part of some of our quilters to continue to do crafts, quilts, etc. There have been several suggestions for the next quilt. Look for future announcements.

God has richly blessed this project. It appears that the Crafters of Mercer at Covenant have been born.

Elnora Harriette Williams

Food for Friends Sunday, January 29

Our Food for Friends collection in December was scheduled to go to the food pantry at Mount Carmel Guild. However, because of the fire that temporarily closed down the Crisis Ministry's permanent food pantry on Hanover Street, we changed the schedule on short notice so that the December collection would go to Crisis Ministry. The January collection will go to Mount Carmel Guild.

Don't forget to buy one non-perishable item for the food collection every time you go to the grocery store! If you would prefer to make a monetary gift, write a check to Mount Carmel Guild, put it in an envelope marked "Food for Friends," and place it in the collection plate. (Food pantries are always happy to receive money.)

The Rev. Michael Livingston to Preach

January 15

The Rev. Michael Livingston, director of the National Council of Churches poverty initiative and former president (2006-2007) of the NCC, will be Covenant's guest preacher on Martin Luther King Jr. Sunday, January 15.

Rev. Livingston, whose office is in Washington, D.C., leads the NCC's efforts to eradicate poverty and childhood hunger in the United States. He is challenging member communions and congregations to add a clear faith perspective to the discussion of poverty, and is working to build the political and public will to push these goals to the top of the legislative agenda.

He has been a member of the NCC's Governing Board and General Assembly since 1999. In 2003 he was a member of the organization's Peace Delegation to Paris that attempted to delay or prevent the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq.

As NCC president, he traveled to the Middle East and other world trouble spots to represent the council's witness for peace and justice. In 2010, he represented the council on an interfaith delegation to Vietnam to study the residual effects of the defoliant Agent Orange used by U.S. forces during the Vietnam War.

Rev. Livingston was ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA) July 27, 1975, and has been a member since 1985 of the New Brunswick Presbytery, where he has chaired the Committee on Ministry. He has also chaired the Personnel Committee of the Synod of the Northeast. He was pastor of Presbyterian churches in Los Angeles and New York until 1985, when he returned to his alma mater, Princeton Theological Seminary, as director of admissions, and later as campus pastor and director of the chapel. He later served as executive director of the International Council of Community Churches, headquartered in Frankfort, Ill.



NAMI Events

NAMI Mercer works to improve the lives of individuals and families who are affected by mental illness, through education, advocacy and mutual support.

January 21

NAMI Mercer presents its premier annual event *Night Out with NAMI* at McCarter's Berland Theatre. Please contact NAMI at 609.799.8994 for more information and sponsorship opportunities!

May 5,

NAMI Mercer WALK 2012 will be held at Educational Testing Service. Please mark your calendars and plan to join more than 1,200 people who will walk in an effort to raise awareness and lessen the stigma associated with mental illness.



Equipping the Saints: Officer Training and Leadership Training

Saturday, January 21, 2012

8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Stuart Hall

Princeton Theological Seminary

Program Description

Recognizing the connectional nature of the church, Monmouth Presbytery, the Presbytery of Elizabeth, the Presbytery of New Brunswick and Princeton Theological Seminary are pleased to offer "Equipping the Saints," a day of training for officers and leaders of the church. This program is open to the public.

This program is offered at no cost, but participants eating the hot buffet lunch at Mackay Campus Center need to pre-register by Wednesday, January 18, 2012 and pay \$10 cash at the Dining Hall.

Schedule

After beginning with worship, there will be a two-hour session in the morning, followed by lunch and a two-hour afternoon session. The schedule for the day is as follows:

8:30 a.m. Registration and Coffee

9 a.m. Devotions and Morning Workshop

11:30 a.m. Lunch, Cokesbury Bookstore and Resource/Mission Fair

1 p.m. Afternoon Workshop

3 p.m. Program Concludes

Click [here](#) to go straight to online registration,
or call Princeton Seminary at 609.497.7990 to register by telephone, or for your convenience
the registration form can be found on page 8

There is a 12-page document with full program descriptions, leaders and a registration form; please click here for the Word (.doc) version, [please click here for the Adobe \(.pdf\) version.](#)

Snow Date (if needed), is Saturday, February 11, at the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville.

Registration Form
EQUIPPING THE SAINTS
OFFICER TRAINING AND
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



Saturday, January 21, 2012 (Snow Date February 11, 2012)
 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 Princeton Theological Seminary

Please complete this form and submit by Wednesday, January 18, 2012 via:

E-mail
 to scvm@ptsem.edu

Telephone
 to 609.497.7990, or

Postal mail to
 Princeton Theological Seminary,
 The Erdman Center
 20 Library Place
 Princeton NJ 08540

Online at
ptsem.edu/saturdays

This form is for individual use, and may be duplicated.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-mail _____

Telephone: Home: _____ **Work:** _____ **Cell:** _____

Church _____

AM Workshop Choice: _____

Lunch Reservation: Yes _____ **No** _____

PM Workshop Choice: _____

You may change your workshops the day of the program.

An all-you-can-eat lunch buffet (please RSVP so enough food will be prepared) will be available at Mackay Campus Center for \$10 cash. There is a PNC ATM in the lobby.

Questions? Please contact the School of Christian Vocation and Mission by telephone at

Our Missionary in Jamaica



Joyce Williams, our missionary in Jamaica, will be with us the weekend of January 7 and 8. Joyce will give us an update on the two places we have been supporting in Jamaica, the Pringle Home for Children and Iona School, brief us on how Jamaica is doing as a country in which the main source of employment is tourism, and answer any questions we would like to ask her. She will meet with the Mission Commission on Saturday and on Sunday Joyce will be in church and will present a "long Minute for Mission". She will be available for conversation during coffee hour.

A Service of Wholeness and Healing for the New Year

Sunday, January 8 after worship

Begin the New Year by seeking God's healing words of comfort on Sunday, January 8, 2012, following worship. Be soothed by the quiet sounds of the harp played by Pam Miller or find comfort in hearing readings from Scripture and pearls of wisdom from "Holding On . . . While Letting Go," or being blessed with anointing oil.

If you have any specific requests, feel free to contact any of the committee members: Jewell Hand, Betty Newberry, Pam Miller, Jane Politi, Carol Stawski, Sharon Young or the Rev. Nancy Schluter.



Food for the Soul

Spiritual Book Study

Wednesdays, January 11 and January 25 at 7 p.m.

Join us as we continue reading "Beyond Belief" by Elaine Pagels (Chapters 3 and 4 for January 11).

Circle of Sisters

Twelfth Night Potluck, Friday, January 6, at 6 p.m.

Our regular January meeting, Wednesday, January 18, at 7 p.m.

The Twelfth Night potluck is at Jane Politi's home, 20 Patton Drive, Ewing. As a Twelfth Night gift, bring something you'd like to share with the group. It can be your favorite poem, prayer, a story — your choice. All are welcome!

Our January 18 meeting is in the Lounge. Bring a friend with you!

The Men of Covenant

Sunday, January 15, at 7:45 p.m., Drake Room

Come and join us as we discuss the issues that affect all of our lives. All men are welcome.

Session Notes

At its December 13 meeting, the Session:

- ▶ Met with the Board of Deacons.
- ▶ Heard a report from Sandra Austin, moderator of the Deacons, summarizing the board's activities for 2011 and including these highlights: The caring ministry to shut-ins and those with special needs continues to be the Deacons' primary focus; a new ministry, distribution of communion to those with special needs, will begin in February; and the Deacons' budget continues to be balanced.
 - ▶ Discussed the topic Growth in Faith, with the focus on youth, including diversity outreach, review of initiatives, service to membership, worship and encouragement of each other, followed by the question: Where do we need to go next?
 - ▶ Received a letter from Stephan Konopka severing his family's membership with Covenant. He is now attending a church closer to his home.
 - ▶ Heard from the Evangelism and Membership Commission that a church dinner will be held St. Patrick's Day, March 17, which will be free to the congregation.
 - ▶ Heard a report from Elders Jeff Lippincott and Bob Trevor about meetings of the 3-3-3 Committee, which includes elders from Covenant, Ewing and West Trenton Presbyterian Churches.
 - ▶ Heard that West Trenton Presbyterian Church is interested in joining Covenant and Ewing in their combined youth programs.
 - ▶ Heard a report from Buildings and Grounds Commission chairman Mickey Reilly that George McClain will retire as security person on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, effective December 31, 2011. George will continue to clear snow from the church property.
 - ▶ Discussed whether paid security coverage is needed on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. The commission will ask Trenton Police whether they can drive through the church area during those periods.
 - ▶ Received a first reading of the 2012 budget.
 - ▶ Approved a request from the National Association for Mental Illness (NAMI) Mercer for use of a room at Covenant one day in midweek for 11 or 12 weeks for a class for families of adults with serious mental illness.



Youth News



Our Covenant and Ewing groups met at Covenant during December. On December 4, we joined voices at the Lessons and Carols service at Covenant, followed by a pot-luck dinner. We brought some kid-friendly food-chicken nuggets, and they were a hit!

We ended our Clothes 4 Kids clothing drive December 11, and were truly blessed with the donations received from both church families. Thank you from all our youth! We contributed the items to Anchor House, an agency for runaway, homeless, abused and at-risk youth and their families in Trenton, to be distributed to children and teens in the Trenton area. Thanks to your efforts, and the hard work by our youth, we donated over 300 items for infants up through teenagers –which is awesome! Kim McNear, executive director at Anchor House, has agreed to have folks come and speak about their organization to our youth groups in the next few months.

Also on December 11, we took time to learn about Advent, including the history, colors, and symbols we see in worship. While we celebrate the time of “coming,” most of us didn’t know when this church tradition started, and the significance of the colors we see and the candles on the Advent wreath that we light over the four weeks.

On December 18, we piled into the Covenant van and two cars and sang Christmas carols for shut-ins from both churches. We also went to a neighboring home and sang for a nice couple, only to realize when leaving that we had no idea who they were – but they really enjoyed our singing! The groups didn’t meet on December 25, so we could celebrate God’s wonderful gift, Emmanuel, with friends and family.

In January we’ll be meeting at Ewing, so here’s the schedule of events.

January 1 - No meeting (New Year’s Day)

January 8 - Bowling at Slocum’s (joint event)

January 15 - Regular Meeting—Game Night

January 22 - Regular Meeting

January 29 - Laser Tag 4 to 6:30 p.m. Meet at Covenant (Joint Event) 4:45 p. m. reservation

Thank you for your continued support of our youth groups in 2011. During this beginning of the New Year, take time to give thanks for all God has given to us! We are blessed to have our youth groups and Shepherds getting more engaged in the community outside the church, and look forward to an exciting 2012 as we continue to deepen our faith and connections to our communities.

Lory Ryan

Important Meeting about the Youth Program

Sunday, January 8 at 12 noon

All youth and their parents are cordially invited to join a meeting of three churches, Covenant, Ewing and West Trenton, to talk and brainstorm about the future of a joint youth program. The meeting will be at noon in the lounge with pizza. Youth and parents of all three churches, we really want to hear your input, so make sure you attend.

Serving at TASK

Thursday, January 26, 2:15 p.m.

Even though we had five Covenant people serving on the line in December, the soup kitchen was understaffed, and several of us had to serve two stations. We also served many more clients than we had been accustomed to, with no breaks in the serving line between the time it opened at 3:30 and the time it closed at 4:50. Dennis Micai, TASK's executive director, told us that it had been like that all month, with twice as many people coming through the line at lunchtime as at dinner-time.

TASK serves a much-needed role in Trenton, and being a part of it brings home to us the words of Matthew 25. We could definitely use more people on the fourth Thursday of the month, but if that is not possible for you and you would like to volunteer at another time, you can call TASK at 609.695.5456 to sign up. If you get the phone menu, choose the volunteer coordinator and, if necessary, leave a message with their voice mail. You'll be glad you did. If you can go with us in the van on January 26, call Donna Amick or the church office, to let us know you are coming!



Food Stamped A Documentary

Sunday, January 29, 1 to 3 p.m.
Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon St.
Free and open to the public

This humorous award-winning documentary, directed by Shira and Yoav Potash, follows the couple as they attempt to eat a healthy, well-balanced diet within a budget of a \$1 per meal per person, the approximate amount of food-stamp benefits for low-income Americans. Along the way, the filmmakers consult with members of Congress, food justice organizations, nutrition experts and people living on food stamps. For more on the film, visit www.foodstamped.com.

A panel discussion and Q&A will include the film's directors via Skype; Julia Hicks de Peyster, a former Princeton resident and graduate of Princeton University ('86), who attempted to feed her family of five on the allotted food stamp budget for 40 days; and Crisis Ministry Hunger Prevention Director Mark Smith. Moderator will be Liz Cohen of Yes We CAN! Food Drives, which supports the Crisis Ministry. Donations of fresh produce will be gratefully accepted at the door for distribution to the Crisis Ministry's pantries.

For more on the Crisis Ministry: www.thecrisisministry.org.

This screening of *Food Stamped* is part of the 2012 Princeton Environmental Film Festival and is co-sponsored by the Princeton Public Library, Crisis Ministry, and Yes We CAN! Food Drives. For information on the Princeton Public Library's film festival and for directions and parking: www.princetonlibrary.org/peff



We Get You to the Church on Time!

Do you want to attend church on Sundays but have no transportation? Please call the church office or the scheduled driver, and arrangements will be made for you to be brought to church and then taken home. Below is the schedule for January van drivers.

January 1	Dave
January 8	Jeff
January 15	Mickey
January 22	Joyce
January 29	Dave



Covenant Online...

If you haven't checked out our website lately, click on www.CovenantChurchTrenton.org to see what you have been missing. Here's a sampling of what you'll find:

- ▶ The Lord's Prayer, as translated by our junior and senior high youth.
- ▶ Photos of our March retreat.
- ▶ Our Ministry of Health, updated each month.
- ▶ Information about the Spiritual Book Club.
- ▶ Information about our I.D. Card program.
- ▶ Letters from and news about our missionaries.
- ▶ Late-breaking church news.
- ▶ Downloadable copies of various documents and forms.
- ▶ Photos of Vacation Bible School, mission trips, Tea by the Sea and other church events.
- ▶ Links to other websites of interest.
- ▶ Links to several versions of the Bible, the Book of Confessions and The Upper Room.
- ▶ Prayers and inspirational poems.



Thank You

To One and All:

The Longest Night Service that the Adult Education Commission planned and presented on Wednesday, December 21, was so very thoughtful, and I know it gave comfort to many people. I liked the way the service ended. It had an essential part of a service: meaning. The deepest message of this season is that God and Jesus Christ are with us always, bringing hope even in the darkest places. I have attended blue Christmas services where that foundational part has been overlooked or very secondary. A job well done!

The Rev. Nancy Schluter

"From the Angel's Perspective"

TAKE A BOW!

Thanks to all of you who helped make this year's Christmas Pageant a huge success! We could not have done it without you!

Jane Politi

Dear Covenant Church and Friends:

Greetings from the students and staff of the Student Volunteers Council and Community Action! We are enclosing a small donation with sincere appreciation for housing our Princeton University Community Action Group last September. We are grateful for the "community immersion" our students experienced by living in or near their community service work areas.

As we move forward in our planning for Community Action 2012, we certainly will be in contact with you to discuss the possibility of returning next September with the Princeton University Class of 2016.

Sincerely yours,

David Brown

Director, Student Volunteers Council
and Community Action

Happy Birthday!

January 2012

1	Dwight Stein	18	Virginia Ryan
2	Elaine Eberhardt	19	Sandra Gwin
	Lee Metzgar	22	Karl A. Christiansen
	Julia Miner	25	Pauline Williams
4	Amy Romanowsky	26	Kaiser Roberts
5	Stephan Konopka	27	Karen Drake
6	Rebecca Ulrich	28	Lorraine Metzgar
9	Elizabeth Schnerr	29	Trudy Dougherty
12	Preston Konopka		Beverly Weber
14	Season Bonner		
15	Carol Martin		
	Peter Williams		
16	AnneMarie Luijendijk		

Deadline for the February Newsletter is **Wednesday, January 18**. Submissions received after the deadline will not get into the Newsletter. Submissions may be dropped off, mailed or e-mailed to the church office or to Donna Amick at gdamick@comcast.net



Mark Your Calendar! COVENANT'S CHURCHWIDE RETREAT

February 24/25/26, 2012

The Covenant and Ewing Presbyterian Church congregations will join together for what will be an amazing Lenten retreat with sculptor, author, and minister Charles McCollough. This retreat will be an inspiring journey through *Art of the Parables*, wisdom sayings on everyday issues, and relevant current topics such as bullying. This retreat is for all ages. We are still working on details . . . but save the date. You will NOT want to miss seeing, touching, hearing, learning, laughing and sharing in this fantastic opportunity!

The retreat will have a new location this year. It will be held at Ewing Presbyterian Church. Watch for more details. Mark your calendar today!

About the artist:

“McCollough’s month-long stay with us as Artist in Residence at First Congregational Church UCC in Boulder, Colorado, was a transformative experience for our congregation. . . Charles’ depth of knowledge about the gospels, his personal transparency and gentle nature, his wisdom and wit, his extraordinary gift of creativity and the excellence of his artistic ability all added up to a once-in-a-lifetime experience for all who experienced his presence with us.” --

The Rev. Martie McMane, Senior Minister

(Congregational) Meetings

January 8

immediately after worship

A very brief meeting to elect officers. The Nominating Committee will present a new slot of elders and deacons for the upcoming terms.

January 8

12 noon, Covenant lounge

Covenant, Ewing and West Trenton Presbyterian churches will meet to discuss the future of the youth programs. This meeting is specifically for the youth and parents of the youth.

January 29

Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in Fellowship Hall immediately after worship



January 2012 – Covenant at a Glance

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 7:45am Beloved Community 8:30am Children's Choir 9:15am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am Communion Worship 11:30am Fellowship Hour 11:30am Stewardship 4:45pm Jr. High Youth at EPC 6:00pm Sr. High Youth at EPC	2	3 1:00pm Adult Bible Study 2:45pm Children's Chorus 7:00pm Building 7:00pm Evangelism 7:00pm Worship/Music	4 6:00pm Prayer Group	5 2:45pm Children's Chorus 6:00pm Adult Choir 7:30pm Sanctuary Bells	6 6:00pm Circle of Sisters 12th Night Potluck at Jane Politi's 20 Patton Dr.	7 11:00am Saturday Bible Study
8 7:45am Beloved Community 8:30am Children's Choir 9:15am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study 10:30am Worship 11:30am Brief Congregational Meeting to elect officers 11:30am Fellowship Hour 12:00pm Wholeness & Healing Service 12:00pm Joint Churches (Covenant, Ewing & West Trenton) meet with youth and parents 4:45pm Jr. High Youth at EPC 6:00pm Sr. High Youth at EPC	9 7:00pm Zumba Ewing 7:00pm Genesis Bible Study at Ewing	10 1:00pm Adult Bible Study 2:45pm Children's Chorus 7:00pm Building 7:00pm Evangelism 7:00pm Worship/Music	11 10:30am Genesis Bible Study at Ewing 2:45pm Children's Chorus 6:00pm Prayer Group 7:00pm Book Study "Beyond Belief" by Elaine Pagels (chapters 3 & 4)	12 2:45pm Children's Chorus 6:00pm Adult Choir 7:30pm Sanctuary Bells	13	6 11:00am Saturday Bible Study
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