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The Pastor's Corner

Rev. Wayne P. Snodgrass, D. Min.

Rev. Wayne Snodgrass

M-O-T-H-E-R…the word that means the world to me.

We want to take this time and honor all mothers for Mother's Day. In Proverbs 31, we are presented with a description of a godly wife and mother. We are given a glimpse of one who cares for her household, the extended family unit including servants, business associates, and those she helps in the society in which she lives. It is my joy to acknowledge the many great women of our community who have given life, to those you are the jewels and joys of our world. Since the passing of my mother in 2014, I have had so many persons to step in and help ease the void. To all of you I say "Thanks." I don't walk this journey alone. Many of the members of our church will face Mother's Day for the first time without their Mother. I pray for you especially during this time. For others of you, may this year be the greatest celebration ever for you.

Life has its expectations, and sometimes you don't have a second chance to get it right. There are times, unintentional mistakes are made, but there are situations where there is no room for error—like running a red traffic light. Be alert. Pay attention, and allow God's grace to lead you in all you do.

I want to wish God's blessings on those students, youth and adult, who will be graduating from the various educational institutions. I wish you well on your commencement. I lack the ability I had previously to really greet the graduating high school seniors, but I will attempt to do what I can because I am proud of you. I also am proud to be graduating our 2nd class of graduates with Masters of Ministry degrees from Huntsville Bible College. The president and Board have allowed me to serve as Dean of Graduate Studies for these three years. We have put together a team of great theologians who have served as our faculty for this program. It has been a great experience.

I can't close without taking time to recognize the Warriors Helping Warriors ministry. These are veterans, and families of many veterans of our community, who paid the ultimate sacrifice to help the interests that were important to our nation. We live in a land of freedom, and choices, because of these who have served with all they had. May the grace of God bless their families and all who lives they touched. They are part of the reason we continue to be, "A church in the word, making a difference in the world!"

A Church in the Word

Making A Difference in the World

PROGRESS DEADLINE

Articles for the June PROGRESS are due Sunday, May 22, 2016. Please place your articles in the PROGRESS mailbox located in the FCLC or e-mail them to progress@pumbchurch.org.

Saluting the Class of 2016

We are pleased to present 19 graduates from the class of 2016. These 19 represent graduates from kindergarten to college. Our congratulations to each of the graduates and best wishes to each of them as they make another step along life's journey. May God bless each of the graduates as they move forward.

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Kindergarten

Trinity Rayne Hampton will graduate from K-4 to Kindergarten at First Missionary Baptist Church Child Development Center and Academy. She is the daughter of Anitra Ford and Travis Hampton.

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Elementary School Graduate

McKenzie Alexandria Hill will graduate from Union Chapel Christian Academy on May 17th. She was on the 'A' and 'A/B' Honor Roll, and received the Ambassador Award, Music Certificate, and Student Citizenship Award. McKenzie is the daughter of Michelle Aycox-Davis and Kenneth Davis, and Mark Hill. She will be attending middle school this fall.

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Middle School Graduates

Danielle Gholston will graduate from Liberty Middle School (LMS). Danielle was a member of the Liberty Basketball team, James Clemons High School track team, National Junior Honor Society, Student Council, Student-2-Student, and Helping Hands. At Progressive Union she is member of the Junior Usher Board.

She will be attending James Clemens High School in the Fall of 2016. She is the daughter of Kelly Gholston and the sister of Sampson Gholston, Jr, and Shayla Gholston.

Kameron Nikole Brazille will graduate from Union Chapel Christian Academy on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. She made straight 'A's' her entire 8th grade year. Kameron was captain of her varsity cheerleading team and also played volleyball and basketball. She had the highest GPA in her 8th grade class.

Kameron will be attending St. John Paul II Catholic High School, where she plans to play volleyball and basketball. She is the daughter of Monique Brazille.

High School Graduates

Diamond Aliyah Crutcher will graduate from J. O. Johnson High School on Thursday, May 26, 2016, 1:30 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. She played on the Johnson girl's varsity basketball team for 2 years, leading them to the All-City Championship for the 2015-2016 season. Diamond plans to attend Wallace State Community College and pursue an Associate degree in Patient Care Assistant, she then plans to transfer to a 4 year university to pursue a BS degree in Physical Therapy. She is the daughter of Avis Crutcher.

Diamond Crutcher

Sydney Marie Edmonds will graduate from James Clemens High School on Monday, May 23, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. Sydney plans to attend the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She is the daughter of James and Yvette Edmonds.

Sydney Edmonds
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Madyson Jenese Edwards will graduate from Madison Academy on Sunday, May 22, 2016, 2:00 p.m., at the Mayfair Church of Christ, Huntsville, Alabama. She will receive an Advanced Diploma. Madyson is a member of the National Honor Society, Honors Math and Spanish Club, Distinguished Student of Madison Academy, President's List for the last 4 years, top 5% of the senior class, highest GPA in Biology, Anatomy, and Physiology, Challenge Class of 19, National Youth Leadership Forum in Medicine participant, GEMS I, and AMRDEC participant. She plan to attend either the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB) or Spelman College and pursue a degree in Medicine (Biology). She is daughter of Doctors Ted and Belinda Edwards.

Madyson Edwards

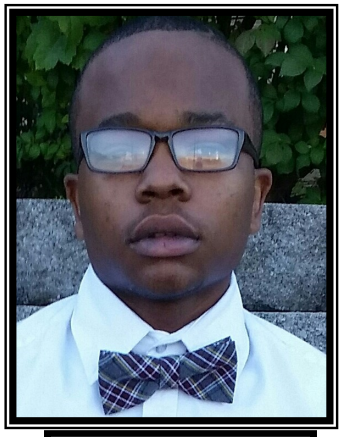
Xavier Marquez Fitzgerald will graduate from Bob Jones High School on Monday, May 23, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center Arena. He will receive an Advanced Diploma with the Madison City Seal of Distinction. Xavier is ranked among the top third of his senior class. His future plans are to attend the University of Alabama in the Fall and major in Computer Science/Engineering and minor in Spanish. He is the son of Marcus and Allison Fitzgerald.

Ashlyn Synclaire Gaines will graduate from Sparkman High School on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center Arena. She will receive an advanced diploma. Ashlyn is on the 'A/B' Honor Roll, was a AKA Debutante 2016, a member of the Student Government Association, Spanish Club, Choir (Honors), tennis team and a Delta Sigma Theta GEM. She plans to attend Spelman College in the Fall majoring in Nursing or Pre-Med. Ashlyn is the daughter of Edward and Lynda Gaines.

Ashlyn Gaines

Shayla Gholston will graduate from James Clemons High School on Monday, May 23, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. She will receive an Honors Diploma. She is a member of the varsity basketball team, varsity track team, Beta Club, President of Peer Helpers, member of the Junior Ushers and In Tune Youth Ministry. She plans to attend the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB) majoring in Kinesiology and minoring in Nutrition. She is the daughter of Kelly Gholston, and the sister of Sampson and Danielle Gholston.

Jonathan Denzel Moore will graduate on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 from Union Chapel Christian Academy, located at Union Chapel Church, 915 Winchester Road. Jonathan scored 27 on the ACT and plans to attend Alabama A&M Agricultural and Mechanical University in the fall where he plans to major in Physical Education. He is the son of Rachel Moore and the grandson of Joyce Moore.



Jonathan Moore

Jonathan Lamar Reese will graduate from Randolph High School, Saturday, May 28, 2016, 9:00 a.m. The graduation will take place at Randolph School, 4915 Garth Road, Huntsville. Jonathan is a member of the Progressive Union InTune Youth Min-

istry (Chaplain), Omega Psi Phi Sons of Royalty (Vice President). He was an active member of the Randolph football, basketball and track teams. He received the Anthony J. Lynch award for his honor and integrity exemplified during his Randolph tenure. In football, as a wide receiver, he was named to the class 5A All Region Team. He was part of football history at Randolph, being a part of the school's first team to make the 5A playoffs. Jonathan is a member of the National Society of High School Scholars. He plans to attend Tuskegee University, majoring in Psychology (Behavioral Analysis), after graduating he plans to attend the University of Alabama Law School and become a criminal defense attorney. He is the son of Ernest and Evelyn Reese.

Taylor Sanders will graduate from Sparkman High School on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, 3:00 p.m. She plans to attend Calhoun Community College in the Summer and then transfer to the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB). Taylor is the daughter of Tiffany Shoulders and Jerel Branford.

Briana Smith will graduate from Sparkman High School, Tuesday, May 24, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. She will be attending Alabama A&M University. She is daughter of Franky and Linda Smith.

Briana Smith

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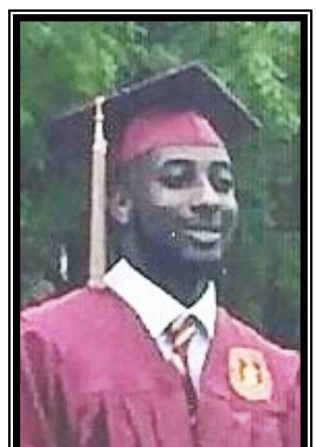
College Graduates (Bachelor Degree)

J. Rashod Brown will graduate from the University of Alabama, on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., at Coleman Coliseum on the campus of the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. He will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He plans to work in his field of study and attend graduate school for accounting. Parents are Arthur White and Dr. Darlene Turner-White.

Cory A. Hale will graduate from Tennessee State University (TSU), on Saturday, May 7, 2016, 9:00 a.m. at Hale Campus Football Stadium on the campus of TSU. He will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering with a concentration in Computers. Cory is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers, Eta Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, Honda Campus Allstar Challenge Quiz Team and United Science Foundation Researcher. He plans to pursue and engineer position or attend graduate school. Cory is the son of Cary and Katrina Hale.

Alonzo William Horton will graduate from Tuskegee University on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., in the Daniel "Chappie" James Arena on the Tuskegee University campus. He will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting with a minor in Supply Chain Management. He is a member of the Student Government Association, National Association of Black Accountants, and various Tuskegee promotional events. After graduation Alonzo will relocate to Nashville, Tennessee, where he has accepted the position of Customer Logistics Supervisor with the Ryder Corporate office. He also plans to return to college to pursue a Masters degree. He is the son of Lois Horton and Alonzo Horton.



William Horton

Kayla Nichelle Rice will graduate from the University of North Alabama (UNA) on Saturday, May 14, 2016, 2:00 p.m., at Flowers Hall on the campus of UNA in Florence, Alabama. She will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education. She was on the Dean's List her senior year. Kayla is seeking a job in elementary education (K-6) and pursue a Masters degree in Education. She
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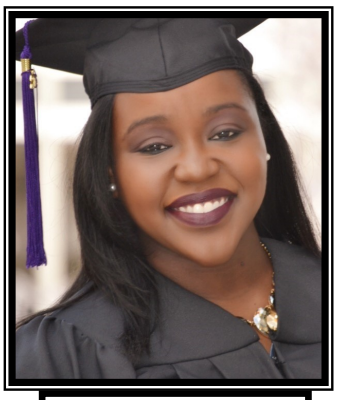
is the daughter of Robert and Wanda Rice, Jr.



Kayla Rice

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in his Word and share it with the world with Love.

If we as Christians would that Christianity serious and be committed to using our gifts to the fullest, we will then start "Making a Difference in the World".

Submitted by Bro. James E. Smith

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Titus Group Visitation

The Titus II group will visit the Whitesburg Manor Health Care Center on Sunday, May 8, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. The visit is a monthly visit for the group, held on each second Sunday in the month. If you are interested in becoming a part of the visitation or need additional information please contact Sister Dorothy Matthews, 256-603-7815. Additionally the Titus II group monthly meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month immediately following mid-day Bible study, approximately 12:30 p.m.

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Visitation Ministry

The Visitation Ministry will visit the sick and shut in on Saturday, May 21, 2016. The group will meet at the FCLC and departure at 9:30 a.m., please join them and on time so we can get prayed up before we depart. For additional information contact Rev. Vera Bell at 852-6837.

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CanSurvive Support Group Meeting

The Cancer Support Group will meet on Saturday May 21, 2016 at 12:30, in the Family Christian Life Center. This is the monthly meeting scheduled for the group. For additional information or assistance please contact Brother Derrick Cameron.

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Warriors Helping Warriors Ministry

On Memorial Day, the nation, Progressive Union, families and individuals, pause to remember a loved one, family member, friend or neighbor - the soldier/ service member - 'a special hero' who made the ultimate sacrifice for this country. All gave some, some gave all. The WHW salutes you, and we will never forget.

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The Progressive Union M. B. Church family will celebrate the 69th Church Anniversary on Saturday, June 4, 2016 and Sunday, June 5, 2016. The church picnic will be held on Saturday, June 4. The church grounds will be the site of this event and all are welcome to attend. Deacon Joe Buckley is the POC for the picnic. Picnic time will be 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Sunday worship services will be held at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Speaker for the 8:00 a.m. services will be Pastor Will Boyd, pastor of the St. Mark M. B. Church in Florence, Alabama.

Pastor Will Boyd

Speaker for the 11:00 a.m. services will be Pastor Gregory Nelson, pastor of the Madison Mission Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Pastor Gregory Nelson

Music will be provided by the Progressive Union Mass Choir, which consist of all of the choirs of Progressive Union.
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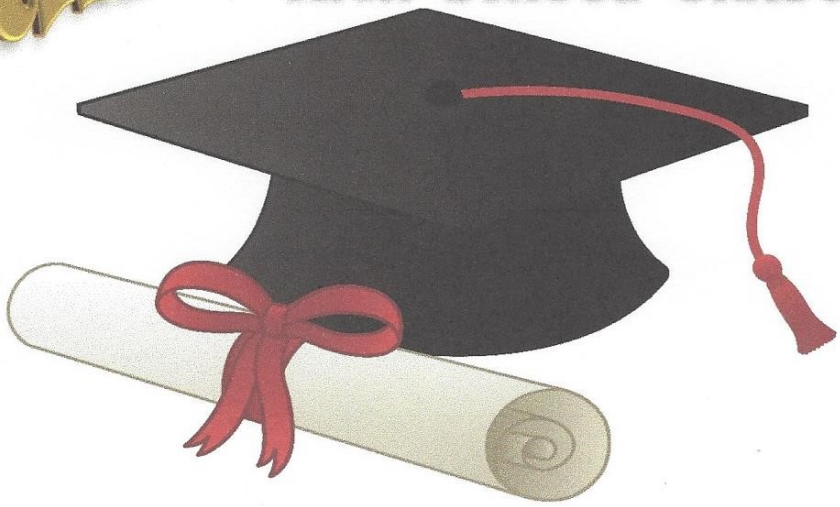
In Time

Congratulations to Our High School Graduates



Presentation of Our 2016 High School Graduates

Sunday, May 22nd, 11:00 AM Service

Graduates Should Arrive at 10:30 AM with Cap & Gowns
Contact Mrs. Rice for additional information

Mother & Son Date Night

Friday, May 20th, 6:30 PM

Tickets $10 each

An Evening of Dining, Dancing & Delight!!

MAY BIRTHDAYS (102)

NAME	DATE
REV. BERNELL FONTENOT	05/01
CHELSEA KENDALL	05/01
LINDA STERLING	05/02
JOHNNY HARRIS	05/03
THOMAS YOUNG	05/03
R.C. ADAMS	05/04
MIN. PEGGY HOWARD	05/04
FLORENCE WATKINS	05/04
COREY JORDAN	05/04
DEMARCUSE MILLER	05/05
SYLVIA TIGGS	05/05
SHATARIA TRAVIS	05/05
NICHOLAS THOMPSON	05/05
DANYELL CRUTCHER	05/05
ERIKA ANDREWS	05/05
JAMERSON GOODWIN	05/05
DILLARD FLEMING	05/05
TERRELL POPE	05/06
MICHAEL CHUKWU	05/06
TERRYUS CRUTCHER	05/07
ALESIA BASKIN	05/07
CHELSEA KENDALL	05/07
TRAVIS STEWART	05/07
SHARON RUCKER	05/08
CAROLYN RAINEY	05/08
MIKHAIL TURNER	05/08
JOHNNIE TURNER	05/08
TYRONE WATKINS	05/08
DEREK MARSH	05/09
MIKALA CALHOUN	05/09
ANTHONY MILLER	05/10
NICOLE SULLIVAN-WILLIAMS	05/10
CHERROL TAYLOR	05/10
TANESHIA SILLMON	05/11
SHANNON FLETCHER	05/11
VERONICA WILSON	05/11
ELYSE SCOTT	05/11
CHAUNTIA ROBINSON	05/11
NATHAN DEJARNETT	05/11
BERNETTA PRIDE	05/12
KAHLEEL GREEN	05/12
SHANTRECIA DOUGLAS	05/13
LATOYA JONES	05/13
LAURA CRAWLEY	05/13
BRODERICK ANDREWS	05/13
TRACY KENDALL	05/14
BRITTNEY CARTWRIGHT	05/14
HOLLAND TAYLOR	05/14
NEFTALI FULLER	05/14
LAWANDA KENDALL	05/15
DONALD TALTON	05/15
AISHA MACKEY	05/15
MARCUS CRUMBLEY	05/15
SAMUEL WHITAKER	05/16
JESSICA YOUNG	05/16
CHRYSTAL MITCHELL	05/16
CHIQUITA SUGGS	05/16
CHAUNCIE CRUTCHER	05/17
MATTHEW RICHARDSON	05/17
JULAYNA TAYLOR	05/17
LARONE GREEN	05/18
SELENA JEFFERSON	05/18
THOMAS L. JACKSON	05/18
REV. RICKY MORELAND	05/18
BETH EWING	05/19
NICHOLAS THOMPSON	05/20
BRITTANY SIMS	05/20
TRAVION CRUTCHER	05/20
JAMES MATTHEWS	05/20
RHONDA LANG	05/21
TEINEIKA RAGLAND	05/21
DEADREA MACLIN	05/22
PIERCE M. GIBBS	05/22
MICHAEL BROWN	05/23
LINDA EASON	05/23
JAMES E. MCGINNIS, II	05/23
NATASHA HENDERSON	05/23
ARTHUR BRACKETT, SR	05/24
TEYANNA BYRD	05/24
MONIQUE JOHNSON	05/25
TALIYAH BROWN	05/25
JAMES POWELL	05/26
ERIC SIMS	05/26
ANDREW RUCKER	05/26
JUSTIN GOODWIN	05/26
JUAN MALDONADO	05/27
BENITA BIBBS	05/27
CALEB JOE	05/27
CATINA DEJARNETT	05/28
REYNA CRUTCHER	05/28
LADARIUS HORTON	05/29
KENNETH HUGHES	05/29
BRIAN WOOD	05/29
EVA POPE	05/29
CAILIN SIMPSON	05/29
JA'QUORA WHITE	05/29
MIN. BONITA OGLESBY	05/29
ANDREW ALLEN	05/30
HAROLD THOMAS	05/30
JACQUETTA ELLIS	05/31

MAY ANNIVERSARIES (20)

NAME	DATE
MR. & MRS. JERROD PARKER	05/05
MR. & MRS. BRODERICK ANDREWS	05/06
MR. & MRS. DARRELL DELAINE	05/12
MR. & MRS. MARCUS FITZGERALD	05/13
MR. & MRS. FRAZIER BRIDGES	05/15
MR. & MRS. WENDELL THOMPSON	05/17

MR. & MRS. JAMES EDMONDS..... 05/18
MR. & MRS. DONALD JEFFERSON..... 05/19
MR. & MRS. MICHAEL SLEDGE..... 05/19
MR. & MRS. JEFFREY SUMMERHILL 05/21
MR. & MRS. MICHAEL WILLIAMS 05/22
MR. & MRS. MYCAH ROBINSON..... 05/23
MR. & MRS. REGINALD BURTON 05/25
MR. & MRS. JAMIE MORRIS 05/25
MR. & MRS. JIMMY BENSON 05/26
MR. & MRS. WALTER ROOKS..... 05/26
MR. & MRS. MARUREN LACEY..... 05/26
MR. & MRS. KELVIN GORDON 05/28
MR. & MRS. JOHN VAUGHN..... 05/28
MR. & MRS. GEORGE COMPTON 05/29

NEW MEMBERS (1)

NAME **DATE JOINED**

CRYSTALYN YORK..... 04/06

BAPTISMS (0)

NAME **DATE BAPTIZED**

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL

8:00 a.m. Services
1250
Average Per Sunday
313

11:00 a.m. Services
1007
Average Per Sunday
252

4th Sunday Evening Service
91

Special Salutes

The PROGRESS salutes two members of our church who have been blessed with length of years and the spirit that we all should have.

Our first salute is to Mrs. Georgia Lanier, a Founding member of our church and the oldest mother in our church. She was blessed to turn 98 on April 15, 2016. So on this Mother's Day 2016 we salute our oldest mother in Progressive. She is shown above in the center of the front row with her daughter Mary on the left and her son Everett on the right. Two sons, Thomas and Felix, Jr., and her husband, Felix , Sr., have been called home to be with the Lord. Those gathered are a testament to this great mother.

Our second salute is to Mr. R. C. Adams, who will turn 102 on May 4, 2016, making him the oldest member of Progressive Union. Mr. Adams attends both 8:00 and 11:00 a.m., services each Sunday and still drives himself to church. He is a World War II Army veteran and served at the invasion of Normandy. He is also a civil rights pioneer in Huntsville, having served as the first President of the NAACP in Huntsville and is responsible for registering thousands of persons to vote. This picture of Mr. Adams was taken on Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016, showing that he can still wear an Easter outfit with the best of them. His daughter, Min. Peggy Howard shares his May 4th birthday.

May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	*2* Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	*3* P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Ushers/Greeters Meeting 6:30 p.m. Men's/Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*4* Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Titus II Meeting 12:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*5* P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*6*	*7* Nurses Guild Health Fair Walk 6:30 a.m. Nurses Guild Health Fair 9:00 a.m.
8 Happy Mother's Day Titus II Visitation 2:00 p.m.	*9* Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Official Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	*10* Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*11* Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*12* Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*13*	*14* Warriors Helping Warriors Meeting 8:30 a.m. Mothers/ Deaconess Meeting 10:00 a.m.
15	*16* Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	*17* Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*18* Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*19* Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Security Ministry 6:30 p.m.	*20* Mother and Son Date Night 6:30 p.m.	*21* Visitation Ministry 9:30 p.m. CanSurvive Ministry 12:30 p.m.
22 Presentation of 2016 High School Graduates 11:00 a.m. service	*23* Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Music Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	*24* Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*25* Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*26* Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*27*	*28* Junior/Senior Ushers Training 10:00 a.m.
29 5th Sunday Services Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m.	*30* Memorial Day All Facilities Closed 	*31* Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*Jun 1* Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Titus II Meeting 12:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*Jun 2* Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	*Jun 3*	*Jun 4* *Annual Church Picnic* *10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*