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GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

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- Sunday School:** (Classes for all ages) 9:30 a.m.
- Prayer:** Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group - Parlor
- Chancel Choir:** Wednesday 6:15 p.m. - Choir Room
- Hand Bell Choir:** Wednesday 7:30 p.m. - Hand Bell Room
- Youth:** Wednesday 4:00 p.m. - Gym Room
- Quilting:** Thursday 9:00 a.m. - FaHoLo Room

NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES THIS WEEK

- Food Pantry:** Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Rack Shack:** (Used items/Clothes) Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Tutoring:** Tuesday & Thursday 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- Power:** (Neighborhood Children 5-11) Wednesday 4:00-6:00 p.m.
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MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today 5:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off – Family Life Center
- Thursday 5:15 p.m. Flood of Justice Meeting – Church Office
- Friday 5:30 p.m. Young Adult Small Group – Trinity Room
- Saturday 12:00 p.m. N. A. Meeting – Library
- Sunday 5:00 p.m. Shalom Neighborhood Dinner – St. Lucas



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