



# Empire Church of the Brethren

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## Every Sunday

Sunday School: 9:45 am

Informal Worship in Song: 10:45 am

Worship 11:00 am

### May 2026 Church Calendar

*Fellowship Singers meets Thursdays at 4:15pm*

<b>May 1</b>	All Church Friday Luncheon 11:30am
<b>May 2</b>	Heaven's Bounty Open 9am-2pm
<b>May 5</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>May 6</b>	Food Delivery Day 8am
<b>May 10</b>	Mother's Day <b>No Coffee Hour</b>
<b>May 12</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>May 15</b>	Friday Fellowship Dinner Out 5:00pm
<b>May 19</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon Women's Fellowship 1:00 pm
<b>May 21</b>	Church Board Meeting
<b>May 26</b>	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
<b>May 29</b>	Shed Work Day 9:00am
<b>May 31</b>	All Church Sunday Luncheon



David & Evy Hurlbut

Seth Lutes with pain & depression

Family & Friends of Wanda Bollinger

Nikki Waggoner, living with pain

Cheryl Leib drive home in mid May

Vern Shafer waiting for skin cancer treatment

Vance Shafer continuing with skin cancer treatment

*Those in care facilities:*

Mary Raridan

Marilyn Snyder

Glenn Stanford

Pat Benton

### May Birthdays

- 4 Jay Irizarry
- 5 Susan Price
- Harley Radcliffe
- 6 Steven Best
- 7 Cherith Franklin
- 8 Jacob Cadruvi
- Sue Vacca
- 12 Troy Slaybaugh
- 15 Daniel Snyder
- 16 Don Wyatt
- 17 Patricia Guthrie
- 23 Shawn Cerro

### May Anniversaries

- 12 Troy & Joy Slaybaugh
- 26 Vern & Patty Shafer
- 29 Josh & Heather Winchester



### OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ADDRESSES:

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### March 2026 STATISTICS

<b>Average Worship</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Giving</b>	Local: \$5,101.00
	Other: \$1,302.71
	<b>Total: \$6,403.71</b>



Looking ahead to honoring

*Moms, Dads & Grads*

Sunday, June 14

Let the church office know if you have a graduate in your family that we can honor!

*Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.*



## Camp Peaceful Pines Spring Update



2026 Monthly Prayer Calendar (praying each Sunday morning for Pastor John)	
Remember as you pray for the folks listed to include their families, children & grandchildren	
Day Pray for:	Day Pray for:
1 Gerald Allinson Alex & Cathy Arellano Candice Arellano	16 Oscar Phan Skip & Kathleen Powell Jeff Price
2 Molly Arellano Elaine Azevedo Ben & Jen Baker	17 Jeremy & Erica Price Joel & Susan Price Hannah Price
3 Ken Barklow Pat Benton Pauline Bert	18 Sam Price John Price Jonah & Morgan Price
4 Michael Best Earl Boyd Earleen Cadruvi	19 Nathan & Kim Price Wyatt Price Kay Qualls
5 Ron Cadruvi Linda Carter & Ivy Arlene Cupp	20 Mike & Laura Radcliffe Mary Rariden Lana Royer
6 Deanna Dixon Chuck & Wendla Dyer Jim & Sue Eikenberry	21 Keith Shafer Vance & Maria Shafer Vern & Patty Shafer
7 John Elness Kenny Fox Pam & Phil Franklin	22 Troy & Joy Slaybaugh Brad Slayter Marilyn Snider
8 Kerby & Heather Frantz Lyndall & Lois Frantz Lloyd Fullmer	23 Tony & Laura Snyder Glenn Stanford Natasha Towe
9 Jerry Goodman Thom & Patricia Guthrie Clark Hartman	24 John & Sue Vacca Jonathan Vacca Matt & Alexis Vacca
10 David & Evelyn Hurlbut Kevin & Deborah Hurlbut Jay Irizarry	25 Linda Vargo Nikki Waggoner Olivia Brown
11 Sheryle Knott Chery Leib Baji Lutes	26 Linda Ward Roger & Cynthia Welch Josh&Heather Winchester
12 Norma Lutes Seth Lutes Gerri Masellis	27 Derek Wyatt Don & Susan Wyatt Donny & Erica Wyatt
13 Ric Mason Jose & Floriceta Merlos Hillary Merlos	28 Pastors & Churches of the Pacific Southwest District Church of the Brethren
14 Suzanne Neptune Kelly Olsson Clifford Parker	29 Church Board Members Food Pantry Recipients Camp Peaceful Pines
15 Brad Parrish Tommie Parrish Daymon & Sarah Peterson	30 The Empire Community Women's Fellowship
	31 Heaven's Bounty Ministry

As we look ahead to this summer, we are excited to share our 2026 camp theme: "Into the Wilderness." The wilderness is a time and place where we encounter what is new, unknown, and sometimes even a little unsettling. Yet it is also a place of beauty, growth, and discovery—where we can experience the sacred within ourselves, others, and all of creation. In the wilderness, we are reminded that God is always with us, guiding and strengthening us along the way.

Over the past few months, the Camp Board has been working hard on several important camp improvements:

- New Generator: Purchasing and obtaining estimates for equipment
- Camp Rates: Reviewing and developing rates for 2026
- Planning projects to enhance the camp experience
- Updating camp by-laws
- Refreshing and improving registration pages

Registration has been open since February 1st. Be sure to sign up soon, spots are filling quickly!

Opening Camp is almost here! Join us as we prepare camp for the season:

Sat, May 23 – Mon, May 25.

There is much to be done to get camp ready, and we would love your help! Registration is free, but you must register so cooks can prepare meals accordingly.

Camp Peaceful Pines depends on the support of volunteers and generous donors. If you are able, please consider contributing through a one-time or recurring donation.

Finally, we ask for your continued prayers for a safe, meaningful, and spirit-filled camp season.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Blessings

*Camp Peaceful Pines*