# Ongoing



Refectory terrace construction as of 9.6.2 -Concrete has been poured!

**Pilgrimage to Egypt 2023** - The Pilgrimage taking place from February 5 to February 16, 2023, is at capacity. If you are still interested in attending, please contact *sterlingdesigns@yahoo.com*. **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** -Our celebration weekend begins with two Scottish Themed dinners on Friday, November 18, and Saturday, November 19, in the Refectory. Both evenings will feature festive music and activities. Watch your mail for the invitation package in September. Our anniversary celebration will conclude on Sunday, November 20, with a very special worship service, after which everyone will be invited to a festive strolling brunch.

Check out kirkinthehills.org for updates and more details on ministries and events at the Kirk.

# Calendar

#### Sunday, September 11

8:00 a.m.	Communion Service - Cedarholm
	Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Homecoming Celebration
6:00 p.m.	Youth Fall Kickoff

### Monday, September 12

No events/meetings scheduled

#### Tuesday, September 13

9:30 a.m.Prayer Cordon - Upper Room10:00 a.m.Alzheimer's Support Group - A2711:30 a.m.Les Jardinaires1:00 p.m.Senior Luncheon1:00 p.m.Music Meeting - A29

#### Wednesday, September 14

8:30 a.m.	Organ Committee - Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	Trinity Stitchers - A27
5:30 p.m.	Membership Committee Meeting
	- A36
5:30 p.m.	Personnel Committee Meeting -
	Upper Room
7:00 p.m.	Covenant Team Meeting - Upper
	Room

### Thursday, September 15

7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
9:30 a.m.	Women's Thursday Bible Study -
	Upper Room
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehersal - Choir
	Room

#### Friday, September 16

No events/meetings scheduled

#### Saturday, September 17

7:30 a.m. Bible Study - Offsite

#### Sunday, September 18

8:00 a.m.	Communion Service - Cedarholm
	Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Garden
9:00 a.m.	Garden Club - The Howard Baum
	Children's Garden
10:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour
10:00 a.m.	The Daily News & The Good News
	- A36
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	New Member Class - Upper Room
2:00 p.m.	Pro Musica Concert - Sanctuary

the Kirk Sunday, September 11, 2022

Rev. Tyler Brinks during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on 9.4.22.

## Today

**Homecoming Celebration** - Invite a friend or neighbor to our annual Homecoming event! This all-church picnic will be held on Sunday, September 11 at 11:00 a.m. on the front lawn of the Kirk, directly following the combined 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service. There will be an inflatable obstacle course, bouncy house, petting zoo, and Bloomfield Hills Marching Band! Hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken will be provided.

**Youth Fall Kickoff** - Join us on September 11 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. We're kicking off the year with water games, a slip-n-slide, dinner, and more fun. Learn about how you can get involved in youth ministry this year. Come hungry and bring a friend! We will meet at the Kirk in the "bowl" near the east lot.

# **Announcements & Programming**

#### Women's Thursday Bible Study -

Beginning on September 15, at 9:30 a.m. in the Upper Room or on zoom, we begin our 6-week study, "A Place Called Heaven – Surprising Truths About Your Eternal Home" by Dr. Robert Jeffress. You will be amazed by what you will learn and by the many friendly women you will meet. If you have questions, please contact Helen Campbell at 248-505-3636 or *hcbell2@ aol.com*. We encourage you to register at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Groups and Classes.** 

**High School Youth** - This year all high school aged students will have the opportunity to connect to one another, the church, and the community in various ways. **Community Nights,** on Sundays from 7:00-8:30 p.m., will consist of worship, games, dinner, and community building and are the perfect nights to invite a friend. **Bible Study**, on Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m., is a night to dig into scripture and grow in your faith. Youth begin meeting after September 11.

**Middle School Youth -** Middle school is the perfect time to begin asking the question, "what does faith mean for me and my life?" Join us for **Bible Study** on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. after Dinner Church worship to dig into your faith in small groups with friends. **Sunday school**, during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service is a time to explore scripture on a deeper level.

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**College Care Packages** - There is only one week left to let the Kirk Deacons know if you would like to receive a college care package. Submit a student at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Resources**  $\rightarrow$ **News & Updates** by September 18.

**Pro Musica Concert -** Please join us for Pro Musica Detroit's presentation of pianist Fei-Fei on Sunday, September 18 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kirk! The program will include music by Beethoven, Debussy, Rachmaninoff, and Chopin. For tickets and details, visit *promusicadetroit.com*.

**New Member Class** - Do you want to learn a little bit more about the Kirk, what the Presbyterian faith entails, and more about all of our ministries? Stop by the Connect Station following worship, or to register for a new member class, visit *kirkinthehills.org* under **New Here**  $\Rightarrow$  **Next Steps**. Our next new member class begins at 12:00 p.m. next week, September 18, in the Upper Room and continues on September 25, and October 2. Admission is October 9, during the 11:00 a.m. service.

**Senior Luncheon -** Please join us for our luncheon on September 20. We are delighted that Coleman Yoakum, the Executive Director of Micah 6 Community has agreed to be our speaker. Come and hear how Micah 6 came about and all that it is doing now. You will be glad you came. We will meet in Heritage Hall.

**Join the Kirk Singers!** - The Kirk Singers rehearse twice a month  $(2^{nd} \text{ and } 4^{th}$  Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.) beginning September  $22^{nd}$ . Contact Anita Pinson at *anifinch27@hotmail.com* for more info.

**Youth Choirs** Through an approach that is both positive and disciplined, young people are taught skills in music reading, and singing, as well as Christian education, churchmanship, teamwork, self-discipline, and leadership. Youth Choirs begin the week of September 19, 2022 (First rehearsals are on 9/21 and 9/25). See rehersal times and register at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Worship**  $\Rightarrow$  **Music**.

**Going Deeper:** an introduction to Contemplative Christian Practice Join us for this 5-week introduction to the contemplative tradition. This class is taught by Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi on Thursdays at 10:30 am. from September 22 – October 20 in A36. Register at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Events**.

**Confirmation • Fall 2022 - Spring 2023 -** Your 9<sup>th</sup> grader will learn basic foundations of the Presbyterian Church's beliefs, experience faith community, dig into hard questions, practice service, and start building an authentic relationship with God. Confirmation begins on September 25 at 9:00 a.m. in the Abbey Lounge. For more info or to register, visit *kirkinthehills.org* under **Ministries**  $\rightarrow$ **Christian Formation**  $\rightarrow$  **Youth**.

Fall Adult Formation Class: From Famine to Flight - Learn about the story of Egypt through a series of lectures, archeological study, Kirk art study, and song. Our guests include an archeologist, a university professor, an art museum director, an expert in the Coptic church, a Jewish Cantor, pastors, singers, and talented lay leaders. If you yearn to dig deeper into the history of our faith, join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Saint Andrew's room. This class begins on September 25. Learn more or register at *kirkinthehills.org* under Featured Events. **Garden Guild -** Volunteers are needed to plant mums on Saturday, September 24 from about 9:00 a.m. until noon (Sunday, September 25 at 1 p.m. rain date). Bring gloves, gardening tools, kneeling pad, and water. For more info or to volunteer, contact Marge Whittemore at (248) 660-4867 or whittemore3333@yahoo.com.

**CROP Hunger Walk** - Join us for the 2022 Birmingham Bloomfield Area Crop Hunger Walk on September 25 to raise funds for both local and global missions. Check-in begins at 1:30 p.m. and the walk starts at 2:00 p.m. To register or donate, visit *kirkinthehills.org* and search **CROP.** Stop by the Crop Walk table at homecoming to learn more!

**Sunday School** - This year we will grow together with a brand new family curriculum! Children in preschool-grade 5 are invited to a time of age-appropriate worship and small group learning that will build a strong foundation for faith moving forward. Sunday School begins on September 25. Learn more at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Ministries**  $\rightarrow$ **Christian Formation**  $\rightarrow$  **Children**.

Dinner Church - Dinner Church will begin on Wednesday, September 28th from 5:30 p.m. through 7:30 p.m. This pilot program will run for six weeks (through November 2<sup>nd</sup>). The evening will begin with an informal dinner for the entire family in Heritage Hall, followed by casual worship. After this, you will be able to attend a Series on Exodus with Dr. McDonald, a class on Faithful Stewardship by Thrivent Financial, a film at Seaside Theater (for older children. The middle school youth meet at 6:30 p.m. and the Youth Choirs rehearse from 5:00-6:30. Childcare is available! Learn more about the optional classes and register online at kirkinthehills.org by searching "Dinner Church".

Will your small group be active?

Many Small groups meet year-round, but Kirk facilitated small groups begin October 30. Let us know if your group plans to be active at *kirkinthehills.org* under **Events**  $\Rightarrow$  **Groups & Classes**. Stay tuned for info about joining a small group.

**Pontiac Collaborators Conference** 

On October 1, from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Pontiac Flagstar Strand, the Kirk is hosting this free conference to bring together those who share a passion for making a difference in Pontiac. Register at *pontiacmissioncollaborators.com*.

**Life Remodeled -** Join us on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. to help clear blight and bring beauty to the community surrounding Cooley High School. To register, visit *kirkinthehills.org* under **Events**.

**Small Group Leader Event** - Small Groups provide a firm foundation of connection based in scripture for our adults. Saturday, October 22, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. we will be offering a training seminar and fellowship event for current, past, and prospective small group leaders in Heritage Hall. This event will kick off our small group ministry for the 2022-23 season, and equip our leaders with skills for facilitating this important aspect of our ministry. Visit *kirkinthehills. org* and search "Leader" to register.

### Long Lake Road Closure -

Bloomfield Township has announced that Long Lake Road will be closed beginning September 12 and is expected to extend through November. The project area is between Groton Road and Pine Tree Trail). We will provide information about the best ways to travel to our church campus as we learn more.