SPRING 2025

THIS WEEK – MAY 25, 2025

@ the Kirk

WORSHIP & SERVICE

We invite you to join us each week for our **Sunday Worship** Services: 8:00am, 9:00am & 11:00am.

You're also invited to get involved in our ministries, mission work, events, and activities. Please visit our website, kirkinthehills.org, for more details.

If you're interested in becoming a member, please contact Mercy Adams at madams@kirkinthehills.org.



To keep up-to-date on all the latest Kirk news and events, visit kirkinthehills.org and sign up to receive our weekly email.





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You Can Be Part of the Bill Robinson Memorial Car Show!

Do you have a classic or custom car you'd like to showcase along Long Lake Road? Are you a local business interested in advertising in this year's Bill Robinson Memorial Car Show Program Guide? Or perhaps you'd like to support the event by making a donation to Seeds for Sustainability? There's still time to get involved! Visit billrobinsoncarshow.com for details on registration, advertising, and giving opportunities or contact George Manning at george.manning100@gmail.com.



Baptisms

Interested in having your child or arandchild baptized at the Kirk? For more info, contact Jen Morris via email at imorris@ kirkinthehills.org or via phone at (248) 973 - 8011.



Renew & Resound: The Future of the Kirk's Sanctuary & Organ

A transformational campaign is coming to Kirk in the Hills, *Renew & Resound – Rebuilding for Worship.*Renewing for Community. While the new pipe organ is a centerpiece of the "Renew & Resound" campaign,



this effort is about more than an instrument — it's about restoring our sacred space and strengthening the heart of worship for generations to come.

You may be wondering why the existing organ needs to be replaced when it "sounded okay" at Easter. The truth is, our organists are constantly compensating for over 200 missing pipes and cracked windchests. And if you listened closely, the organ was out of tune with the brass. As our consultant shared, repairing the current instrument would likely cost more than

replacing it. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks—and join us as we prepare to renew our space and resound our faith together. To learn more or to donate, scan the QR code or visit the Kirk website.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES UPDATES

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

- > VBS is just around the corner, and we need your help! We're collecting healthy, nut-free snacks for our VBS participants, and donations can be dropped off in Sarah Ford's office during normal operating hours between now and June 8. Suggested items include raisins, Goldfish crackers, low-sugar nut-free granola bars, individual bags of popcorn, and Pirate's Booty. Thank you for supporting this fun and faith-filled week for our Kirk kids!
- Additinally, VBS is in need of newspaper donations for one of our service projects. Newspapers can be dropped off at Sarah Ford's office as well.
- Lastly, mark your calendars! Sunday, June 1 is Teacher Appreciation Sunday, and we will be recognizing our Sunday School teachers during the 9:00 a.m. service. We warmly invite all Sunday School teachers to attend so we can celebrate and thank you for your faithful service.

Middle School Mission Trip



It's time to SIGN UP for the Middle School Mission trip to support our local partner, Micah 6. The dates of the mission trip are July 12-16, 2025. All details are included on sign up registration page. Please scan the QR code to register or click HERE. For more information, please contact Sarah Ford via email: sford@kirkinthehills.org.

High School Mission Trip



Payment for all High School Mission Trip participants and leaders is due. Please make check payable to "Kirk in the Hills" in the amount of \$650 (includes lodging, food, and transportation for the week). Join us! Scan the QR code below to register.

Sign up to participate in the Youth Mission Trip to Kentucky! June 21-27. All 9th – 12th graders welcome. We are currently registering youth and youth leaders. Please register using the QR code.



Sunday School & Youth Group

There will be **NO** Sunday School classes or Youth Group meetings this week due to the Memorial Weekend holiday. However, Nursery care will still be available this Sunday.



Kirk in the Hills Pre School

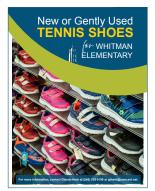
Kirk in the Hills Preschool is now enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year. Please call Sandy Jewell, Preschool Director, at 248-973-8017 for more information.

Prayer Requests

The Prayer Cordon meets at 9:30am every Tuesday in the Upper Room. Prayer cards are located in the pew racks. To receive the prayer list or submit a prayer request, please contact Wendy Beck at: wbeck@kirkinthehills.org.

Trinity Stitchers

Do you sew, stitch, crochet, or knit? This fun and welcoming group meets in Abbey 27 every Wednesday from 1:00 - 4:00pm.



New or Gently Used Tennis Shoes for Whitman Elementary

Ministry With Pontiac is collecting new tennis shoes for children at Whitman Elementary in Pontiac. We're especially in need of girls' and boys' sizes 2–4 and boys' size 9, but all sizes from 2–9 are appreciated. Please drop off donations at the Welcome Center in the bin marked Tennis Shoes. For more info,

contact Glenda Herb at 248-535-5196 or glherb@comcast.net.

The Bill Robinson Bible Study Class

The Bill Robinson Bible class will be discussing the Holy Spirit on Sunday, May 25. We invite you to join us!



Alzheimer's Support Group

The Alzheimer's Support Group meets Tuesday, June 10, 2025 in Abbey 27 at 10:00am. For more information, please contact Wendy Beck at wbeck@kirkinthehills.org.

Sojourners!

Sojourners! meet the Second Friday of each month at 1:00pm in Abbey 27. Sojourners are people on a journey through life's seasons of grief. This is a support group for widows and widowers of all ages that provides a forum in which participants can share strategies for dealing with grief with others who understand.



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Join us for a Healing & Wholeness Service

You are invited to a Service of Healing and Wholeness on Wednesday, June 4 at 7pm. Similar to the service of Comfort and Hope each December, our community is full of those in need of prayers of support and healing all year long, so we hope you join us to pray for yourself or someone you love. Whether physical, mental, or spiritual distress, let us bring all our concerns to God. This will be co-led by Stephen Ministers.

Welcome Center Volunteer(s) needed!

Kay Block, our faithful and beloved Tuesday morning volunteer, fell over the weekend and broke her hip. She will likely be unable to volunteer for an extended period of time, so the hope is to line up some long-term substitutes. The "shift" is from 10:00am – 1:00pm, but the most important time slot is from 11:30am-12:30pm because we have a staff meeting so there is no one available to greet people of answer the phone. If you would like more information or are able to help out, please email eginter@kirkinthehills.org or call Erica at (248) 973-8007.

Garden Guild Volunteers Needed

Spring is here and the Kirk gardens are beckoning! We are looking for volunteers to plant begonias on Saturday, June 7, starting at 9:00 a.m. Our rain date will be Sunday, June 8, starting at 1:30 p.m. The Kirk will provide the begonias. You should bring your own gloves, tools, and water. We always have a great time in the gardens! To volunteer or for more information, contact Marge Whittemore at 248-660-4867 or whittemore3333@yahoo.com.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

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Join Us! Get Involved!

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8:00am Communion Service Cedarholm Chapel 8:30am Nursery Care - Abbey 24 Worship Service - Sanctuary 9:00am

Sunday School 9:00am

10:00am Stephen Minister Private Prayer - Melrose Chapel

10:00am Bill Robinson Bible Study

- Upper Room

10:00am Coffee Hour

10:10am St. Cecilia and Cantumus Choirs Rehearsal -

Abbey 33

10:15am Joyful Noise Choir

Rehearsal - Abbey 26 11:00am Worship Service -

Sanctuary

12:00pm Stephen Minister Private Prayer - Sanctuary

12:00pm MOK Tour

MONDAY, MAY 26

Memorial Day (Church Closed)

TUESDAY, MAY 27

8:00am Kirk Preschool

9:00am Kirk Walking Group -Refectory Prayer Cordon - Upper 9:30am Room Sandwich Ministry 9:30am Meeting - Welcome Center Outreach & Mission Executive 4:30pm Board Meeting - Abbey 28 CONC Meeting - Abbey 36 5:30pm **Adult Christian Education** 6:00pm (ACE) - Abbey 36

Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

6:30pm

8:00am Kirk Preschool 9:30am Spiritual Studies (Zoom Only) 10:00am Pastor's Bible Study -Upper Room

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

1:00pm Trinity Stitchers - Abbey 27 4:30pm Outreach & Mission **Executive Board Meeting -**

Abbey 28

THURSDAY, MAY 29

8:00am Kirk Preschool 9:30am Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study -Upper Room **VBS** Meeting 5:00pm

7:15pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal -

Sanctuary

FRIDAY, MAY 30

Men of the Kirk (MOK) 7:00am

Bible Study

Books & Bibles - Upper 9:30am

Room

SATURDAY, MAY 31

7:30am Saturday Morning Bible

Study (Zoom Only)

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

8:00am Communion Service Cedarholm Chapel Nursery Care - Abbey 24 8:30am 9:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary Sunday School 9:00am

10:00am Stephen Minister Private Prayer - Melrose Chapel

10:00am Daily News, Good News

- Upper Room

10:00am Coffee Hour

10:00am Youth Car Wash - West

Parking Lot

Outreach & Mission Executive 10:10am St. Cecilia and Cantumus

Choirs Rehearsal -

Abbey 33

10:15am Joyful Noise Choir

Rehearsal - Abbey 26

11:00am Worship Service -

Sanctuary

12:00pm Stephen Minister Private

Prayer - Sanctuary

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

12:00pm Youth Car Wash - West

Parking Lot

12:00pm Mini Outreach & Mission

Retreat/Lunch & Learn -

St. Andrew's Room

12:00pm MOK Tour

5:30pm Middle School Youth Group

- Heritage Hall

Youth Group Dinner 6:30pm

KIRK SUMMER OFFICE HOURS ARE IN EFFECT!

Mon - Thurs: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Fri: 9:00am - 3:00pm Sat & Sun: Closed



Join us for a joyful day at the Kirk as we celebrate the close of the 75th Anniversary Campaign, the culmination of Vacation Bible School, and the exciting launch of the Sanctuary Renewal & Pipe Organ Project, Renew & Resound. It's a momentous occasion— and we hope everyone will be part of it!