



ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH MESSENGER

APRIL 2019



Sunday Worship Services – 8:15am and 9:30am
Sunday School – 9:30am

Calendar of Events:

Sun. April 7 LENT 3	Worship & First Communion Coffee Hour College care packages		9:30am 10:30am 10:30am
Mon. April 8	Yoga		7:00pm
Wed. April 10	Annual SW Nassau Conference meeting		7:30pm
Thurs. April 11	Bread, Bowl & Bible (<i>Holden Evening Prayer – 7:00pm</i>) Choir rehearsal		6:00pm
Sun. April 14	PALM SUNDAY Sunday School		8:15 & 9:30am 9:30am
Mon. April 15	Yoga		7:00pm
Wed. April 17	NO Confirmation class		
Thurs. April 18	Maundy Thursday		7:30pm
Fri. April 19	Good Friday		7:30pm
Sun. April 21	EASTER SUNDAY		8:15 & 9:30am
Mon. April 22	Yoga		7:00pm
Wed. April 24	NO Confirmation class		
Sun. April 28	Worship services		8:15 & 9:30am
Mon. April 8	Yoga		7:00pm

LOOKING AHEAD TO MAY:

Sun. May 5	Worship services Yoga Anniversary celebration		8:15 & 9:30am 10:45am
Tue. May 7	Knitting Ministry		7:30pm
Sun. May 12	Mother's Day		
Tue. May 14	Evangelism Meeting Council Meeting		6:30pm 7:30pm
May 16 – 18	Metro NY Synod Assembly – Tarrytown, NY		

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ALEX:

It's always nice when Easter falls in April instead of March (and as the lady who prepares my tax returns told me, it's even better when Easter comes after April 15th! She also happens to be a church organist so I think we can all appreciate her point!) I know I much prefer a later Easter. The days are longer, the weather is warmer, the egg hunts are better, and most of the flowers are in full bloom. Signs of new and abundant life abound as we come to worship and celebrate the good news of the empty tomb!

And yet, as Holy Week poignantly reminds us, before there can be resurrection and shouts of "Alleluia", there must first be death and the cross. The season of Lent is a time for many matters under heaven as Ecclesiastes would put it, and these 40 days have certainly provided us with a roadmap for the journey. We know *who* we are following and *where* we are going. The destination is inevitable. Calvary is just ahead.

We will begin on Palm Sunday with a procession and palms as we give all glory, laud, and honor to our Redeemer King and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The ringing of our sweet "Hosannas" will quickly cease when we read the Passion of our Lord according to Luke, which will prepare us for the week ahead.

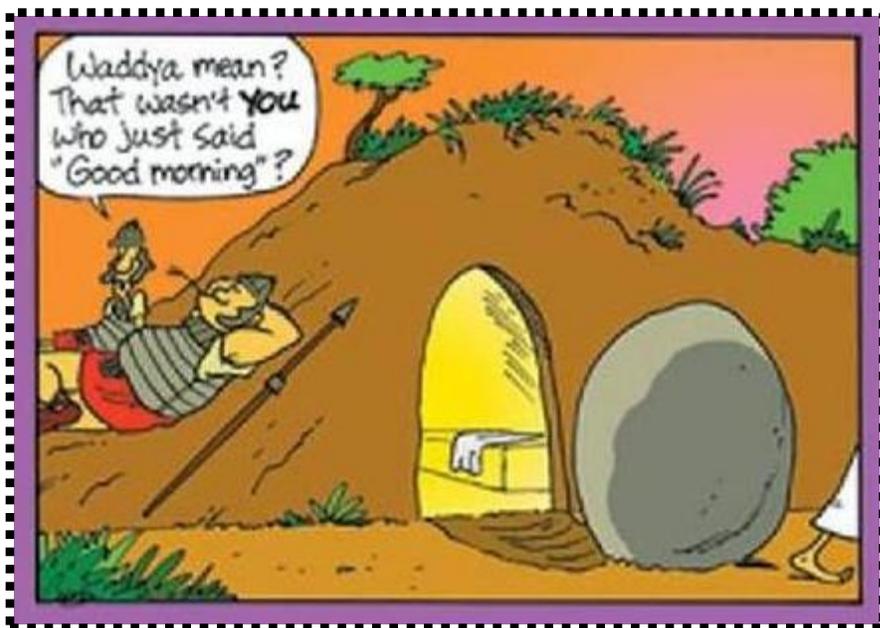
Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will both begin at 7:30pm. Our Maundy Thursday worship will include a time for handwashing and Holy Communion before we strip the altar and listen to the words of Psalm 22. On Good Friday, we will hear the story of our Lord's Passion according to St. John as together we behold the savior of the world and reflect on the glory of the cross.

Finally, join us on Easter Sunday at 9:30am when we celebrate the paramount event of our Christian faith: the Resurrection of Christ. An Easter egg hunt will immediately follow the service outside in the Memorial Garden (hopefully we are blessed with a beautiful sunny morning!), and then we will be sent out to share the good news of the day: "Christ is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!"

These are holy days ahead of us,
and yes, we're almost there.
Will you accompany
me on the journey?
I hope to see you in worship!

Peace +

Pastor Alex





ST. JOHN-INCARNATION HYMN TOURNAMENT



Our 3rd annual hymn tournament concluded on Sunday, April 7 with a surprising championship matchup between two rather unexpected hymns: “We Are Called” vs. “This Little Light of Mine.” The competition picked up in the final round and the donations increased significantly, but when it was all said and done, the winning hymn for 2019 was the #16 seeded, “We Are Called.”

As our new champion, “We Are Called” (ELW #720) will be sung once a month in worship for the next year. Our runner-up, “This Little Light of Mine” will be sung quarterly (4x) and the other two hymns of the Final 4 – “I Love to Tell the Story” and “How Great Thou Art” – will be sung three extra times over the next year.

Total donations received for the tournament was \$507.64! Many thanks to all who donated!

Round 1 – “The Sweet 16”

- 1. A Mighty Fortress is Our God - \$1.67
- 16. **We Are Called - \$6.50**
- 8. **Jesus Loves Me - \$5.05**
- 9. Precious Lord, Take My Hand - \$3.00
- 5. **How Great Thou Art - \$5.00**
- 12. Beautiful Savior - \$1.25
- 4. On Eagle's Wings - \$3.39
- 13. **Guide Me Ever... Redeemer - \$5.00**



- 2. Christ, Be Our Light - \$0.57
- 15. **O Master, Let Me Walk w/ You - \$2.00**
- 7. You Are Mine - \$1.46
- 10. **This Little Light of Mine - \$2.70**
- 6. Lift High the Cross - \$1.96
- 11. **I love to Tell the Story - \$2.94**
- 3. **Here I am, Lord - \$7.50**
- 14. Gather Us In - \$1.09

Round 2 – “The Elite 8”

- 16. **We Are Called - \$10.00**
- 8. Jesus Loves Me - \$8.00
- 5. **How Great Thou Art - \$13.50**
- 13. Guide Me Ever... Redeemer - \$10.00

- 15. O Master, Let Me Walk w/ You - \$4.00
- 10. **This Little Light of Mine - \$9.40**
- 11. **I love to Tell the Story - \$8.50**
- 3. Here I am, Lord - \$1.00

Round 3 – “The Final 4”

- 16. **We Are Called - \$37.25**
- 5. **How Great Thou Art - \$17.78**

- 10. **This Little Light of Mine - \$73.74**
- 11. **I love to Tell the Story - \$39.30**

Final Round – Championship

- 16. **We Are Called - \$138.07**
- 10. **This Little Light of Mine - \$86.02**



Bread, Bowl & Bible!



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of SJILC please contact the church office at 516-599-0778 or email us at stjohnincarnation@gmail.com



... **from** the New LIFE Center for our donations of \$200.00; 243 lbs of food; and the numerous clothes and baby items collected at the WELCA Baby Shower!

... **from** Cora Sarver to Richard & Arlyne Barschoir, Suzanne Reisert and Donald Sarver who generously donated to the Barbara Semmig Memorial Scholarship Fund in honor of my special birthday.

... **to** everyone who provided the bread, soup, beverages, and desserts for our Bread, Bowl and Bible suppers during Lent!

Give to SJILC using PayPal!

Here's how it works:

Log in to your PayPal account, choose the "send" option to send money, and type in our new email address: **stjohnincarnation@gmail.com**.

Once you have entered the amount you would like to give, please select the "Sending to a friend" option to send your donation for free. (**Otherwise, PayPal will charge you a small transaction fee.**) Confirm payment and you're done!

It's a fast and easy way to support the ministry of St. John-Incarnation!

For those of with toddlers and younger,
Christine Feltkamp has volunteered to staff the
nursery room during our 9:30am worship services.



As you know, SJILC is very welcoming to children in the pews, but this is a nice chance for parents and caregivers to be able to get a little break and take some moments to refresh yourself spiritually.

The Nursery schedule for April is:

Sunday, April 28th

Many thanks in advance to Christine!

NEW EMAIL!

stjohnincarnation@gmail.com

Please pray for...

Larry Lipitz
Anthony Posimato
Donna Valenti
Stephen Suppa
Eleanor Haslett
Scott Masciello
John Fernéz
Inga Chiramonte
Bob Robon
Sherry Powell
The Carver Family
John Michael
Patricia Hollen

Vivian Monaco
Larry Rienecker
Faith
Arlene
Sandy
Bill
Joe
Joanne
Ryan
Grace
Sue
Carmel
Bob T.

Bill Moser
Joshua Emswiler
Bernadette Harten
Brian Harten
Geraldine Christ
Lisa Sell
Karissa Heap
Orlando Castrence
Alisa Queen
Tad Sheppard
Harold Walker
Janet
Norma K.

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request card or call or email the office at 599-0778 or stjohnslynbrook@aol.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks. Feel free to repeat your request at any time, we can all use prayers.

ANNUAL WELCA BABY SHOWER for the New LIFE Center



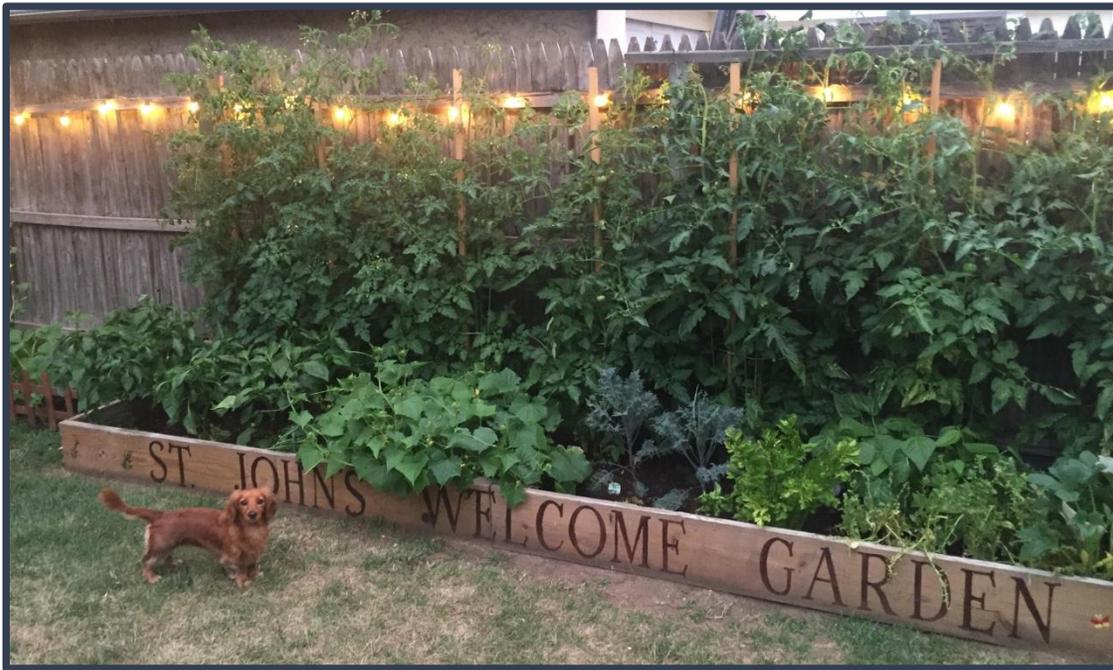
Congratulations to our First Communicants!

Samuel Barry, Isabella Lebron, Jacob Lebron,
Charles Sheppard & Thaddeus Sheppard



GARDEN PLANTING!

Pastor Alex would like to invite everyone (especially youth!) to help plant the SJILC Welcome Garden on Saturday, May 4th at 1:00pm. As we've done before, we will be planting vegetables, herbs, and hopefully some pumpkins for our annual Harvest Festival in October. If there is inclement weather, we will postpone and reschedule for another date. Please contact the church office at 516-599-0778 or stjohnincarnation@gmail.com if you have any questions.



AUGUST 19–23, 2019

Make sure to mark your calendar! The theme will be announced soon!

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church
Roof Fund Appeal
UPDATE

The Stewardship and Finance committee is pleased to let you know the work on the roof above the old church which is above the knotty pine room, church office, council room and nursery is done.

Unfortunately, we have not reached our goal of \$20,000.00 which was needed to cover the cost of the roof. We are **\$4,430.00 short of our goal** which doesn't even cover the extra expense incurred with the unforeseen water damage to the roof that had to be addressed. We are still collecting funds to cover the cost of the roof.

A big thank you to all who have so generously contributed to this appeal!

With the additional work that was needed to be done, it is our hope and prayer that more donations to this new roof will be made.

Donations can be made in “Memory of” or in “Honor of” anyone you wish to be remembered or honored. Donations will be shared each month in our Messenger and displayed on our bulletin board in the Narthex.

Enclosed is a form that may be used for your donations.

Please look for regular updates from our Finance Committee.

Thank you!

Joan Pirrone
Stewardship and Finance Committee
Financial Recording Secretary



Check out the bulletin board across from the coat rack and see how our worker climbs the ladder to our goal!



Help Us Reach Our Goal!

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund

Name _____

Amount _____

Envelope # _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

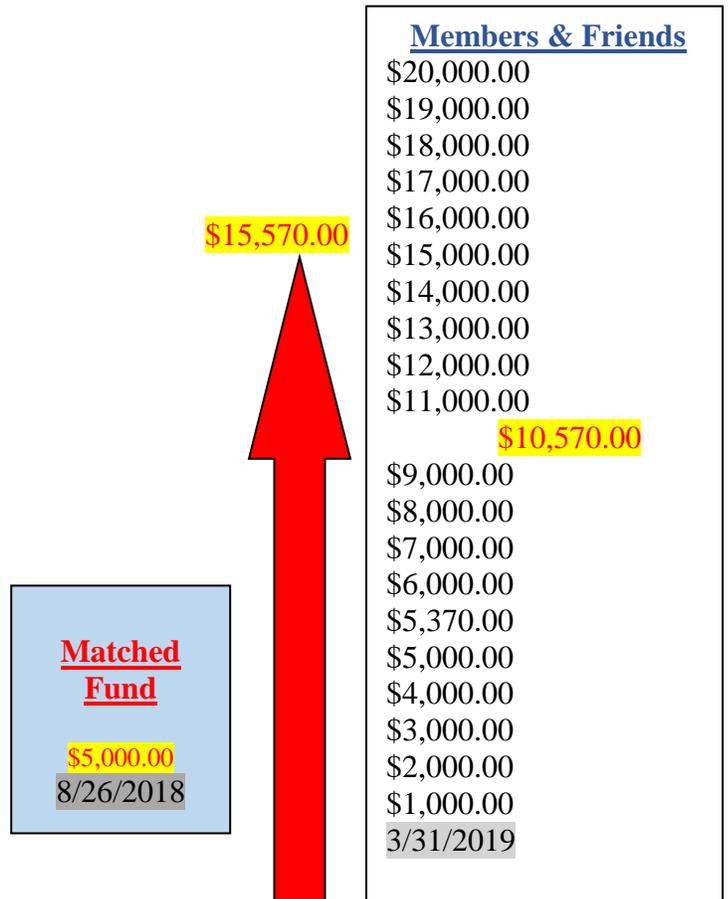
Please mail your contribution to:

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund
13 Blake Ave.
Lynbrook, NY 11563

Or, please drop it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Thank you

**St. John-Incarnation
Roof Appeal 2018-19
With Matching Funds**



**We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have already contributed to the
Roof Fund of St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church!**

IN HONOR OF...

Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th birthday

Karen & Anthony Posimato

Dot & Vito Richetti 50th Wedding Anniversary

Loved Ones

Pauline, Bruce (my godson) & Karen Feltkamp

An Offering

St. John-incarnation

Our grandchildren

Paula Williams

Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th Birthday

The 50th Anniversary of Dot & Vito Richetti

Raquel, Robert Sr., Robert Jr. & Lucas Clark

Cuffia B. Reitler

*My children Allison & Joseph &
Grandchildren Giovanni & Gabriella*

Joyce, Gregory & Andrew

Gerda Weber

An Offering

St. John-Incarnation

BY:

*Carol Clemente, Allison Koehler,
Joan Pirrone, Cora Sarver, &
Judy and Dave Opatow*

Judy and Anthony Posimato

Dot & Vito Richetti

The Lipitz Family

Grace West

Anonymous

Anna & Dan Lenz

Chris & Blanche Shelton

Heidi Scalza

Joann Leone

Dorothy Ciscuolo

Virginia & Arthur Clark

Edward G. Reitler

Joan Pirrone

Edward G. Reitler

Parker Sloan & Jane Sloan

Anonymous

Edward Reitler

IN MEMORY OF...

Loved ones

Loved one

Herbert Lynn

Anthony Masciello

My siblings Joan, Al & Bill

Robert Weber

Sam & Alice Bachelor

Glenn Heap

Loved ones

Ralph F. Williams

Loved ones

Loved ones

Frank Feltkamp

Cappy & Jack Sheppard

Loved ones

Our mothers-Dorothy Jackson & June Conklin

*Dorothy & Julius Roll, Sal Criscuolo,
& Nelma McMenamin*

Loved Ones

Kimberly Ann Paolillo

Susan K. Reckhart & Kimberly Ann Paolillo

Merle Williams

BY:

The Lipitz Family

Don Roth

Elfriede Lynn

Susan & Vinnie Masciello

Carol Clemente

Gerda Weber

Gabrielle Barry

Claire & Hank Lenz

Chris & Blanche Shelton

Florence Williams

Doris Hild

Paul & Christel Hild

Pauline Feltkamp

Anne & Tad Sheppard

Arlene & Ed Muglia

Ken Jackson & Kathy O'Mara

Dorothy Criscuolo

Charlene Comastri

John Paolillo

Robert Reckhart

Paula Williams

Louis Clemente

Louis Clement

Irma & Bob Kaempf

Louis Clemente

My wife Ruth Wakuluk

Allen & Dorothy Jimmerson

Loved ones

Bob & Irma Kaempf

Bill Davison

William J. Telesky

Loved ones

Gerda Weber

Harry Obst

Irma and Bob Kaempf

Doris Oelschlager

Judy & Dave Opatow

Dorothy Criscuolo

Bob & Diane Kaempf

Carol Clemente

William Wakuluk

Joan Pirrone

Cora Sarver

Karen & Norm Irving

Sue Ellen Coyle

Mary Ann Dodd

Eleanor Haslett

Carol Clemente, Dorothy Criscuolo, Sue & Vinnie Masciello, Joan Pirrone, Cora & Don Sarver, Catherine Ruzika, Jerry Esposito Christel & Paul Hild, Marilyn Sobel, Don Roth, The Tripodi Family, Kerry & Glenn Kaplan Louise Sasso, Sharon & Steve Sarelson, The Stegman Family, Lisa Crowley, Pauline Feltkamp Muriel Roth, Debra Roth

Dorothy Criscuolo, Joan Pirrone Carol Clemente

Brian, Christine, Joanne & Noah

Dot and Vito Richetti, Cora Sarver, Dorothy Criscuolo Carol Clemente, Joan Pirrone, Vinnie and Susan Masciello

YOGA ANNIVERSARY FIESTA!!

On Cinco de Mayo (Sunday, May 5th) we will be throwing a Fiesta to celebrate our first year of Yoga classes here at St. John-Incarnation!

Join in the fun as we welcome Michael and Susan for a DRUM CIRCLE!

Together they create their own intuitive music to celebrate life, love, oneness and community! They have some instruments to share, but if you have a drum or any kind of percussion instrument please bring it! All are welcome to play, dance or just listen!

We will also welcome back our amazing meditation instructor, Nicole, as we join together for an opening meditation and I will be offering a fun family yoga class accessible to everyone!

Afterwards, we'll enjoy a fiesta style luncheon with a taco bar and all the toppings. Then it's time for even more fun for the kids with a piñata!

Join the fiesta for great fun, great food, great friends & fellowship!



SERVERS FOR APRIL 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
April 7	8:15		No	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Lent 5	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Crucifer	Kim Carlstrom	Anna Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
April 14	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
Palm Sun.	9:30	Victoria Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Chris Shelton	
	Gospel B.	Kaylee Palmer				Alexandra Dunn &
	Torch B.	Victoria Ramirez	& Dylan Hovell			Christopher Dun
April 18 Maundy Thurs	7:30pm	Parker Sloan	No crucifer	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
April 19 Good Friday	7:30pm	Ashley Gavin	No crucifer	Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Janet Powell & Kristen DeStefano
April 21	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Easter Sunday	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Dylan Hovell	Dorothy Criscuolo	Chris Shelton	
	Gospel B.	Kaylee Palmer				Richard Dietrich & Lynda Hovell
	Torch B.	Kaitlyn Gavin	Christopher Palmer			Lynda Hovell
April 28	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
Easter 2	9:30	Sam Barry	Parker Sloan	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Doug & Kristina Palmer

SERVERS FOR MAY 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
May 5	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Parker Sloan	Katharine Forte	Katharine Forte	Carol Clemente & Suzanna Thomas
May 12	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Dylan Hovell	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
May 19	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Christopher Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Kim Carlstrom	Chris Shelton	Andrew & Alexandra Dunn
May 26	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Janet Powell &
	9:30	Sam Barry	Victoria Ramirez	Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Janet Pescatore
May 30	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Doug & Kristina Palmer

SERVERS FOR JUNE 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
June 2	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Dylan Hovell	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Dorothy Criscuolo & Carol Clemente
June 9	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Katharine Forte	Chris Shelton	Janet Pescatore & Suzanna Thomas
June 16	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Parker Sloan	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
June 23	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Christopher Dunn	Ashley Gavin	Andrew Dunn	Anna Lenz	Victoria & Alexandra Dunn
June 30	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Christopher Palmer	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Doug & Kristina Palmer