



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS | May 26, 2019

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- Sunday, June 2, after 10:30 service.

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GARDEN GNOMES

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CHILDREN AGES 0 - 7TH GRADE

This Sunday, 5/26:

This week's theme is TRINITY. The Trinity is God the Creator/Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We experience peace beyond our understanding when we make a home for God in our lives.

Attention: High School or College Graduates Information Needed

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Summer Sundays: Sunday, June 16– Sunday, September 1

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BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION

June 30th at 11:45 AM, Room 112

Join our book club as they discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing*, the debut novel by Delia Owens, which spent 12 weeks as #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list.

YOUTH 8TH - 12TH GRADE

Pride in the CLE

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OUTREACH

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