

SEARCH Schedule 2026

September 13	Introduction and Expectations / Rally Sunday
September 20	Stories of Creation
September 27	Community (Circles I)
October 4	World Communion Sunday - Worship with Family
October 11	Pastor Dave's Celebration - Worship with Family
October 18	Act of Kindness: Making Bagged Lunches
October 25	Worship with family
November 1	Worship with family
November 8	Gratitude / November Act of Kindness
November 15	Indigenous Wisdom
November 22	Native American Biographies
November 29	Worship with family
December 6	Filling Your Tank (Good Medicine)
December 13	Giving
December 20	Christmas Program
December 27	Christmas Break - Worship with family

Thematic Ideas

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Circles

"We are surrounded by circles in everyday life—the passing of seasons, the migration patterns of animals, the anticipation of holidays and special events each year. These circles remind us that we live in community with all our relatives—human beings, animals, plants, and time itself. When we begin to see ourselves as part of a larger whole, it becomes easier to understand that what we do—and how we do it—matters. Realizing that we sit in a circle with all of creation reminds us to be humble; we all share the same space equally."

Gratitude

"Many of us have been raised to not take without asking and to accept with a simple thank you. These lessons come more easily between humans—but what of our non-human relatives? Taking a moment to acknowledge the glow of a fiery sunset, enjoy the smell of rain, or visit with a dog or cat in your neighborhood should be no less significant than thanking a friend"

Indigenous Wisdom

"At the root of Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults is the understanding that everything on Earth is equal—it is not our job as humans to "manage" anything....When you see yourself as part of a larger system, everything is your teacher—the land, plants, animals—and the knowledge gained is not intended to be collected and stored away but shared for the betterment of community."

Gift Economy

"Among Indigenous peoples, it is commonplace to offer a gift upon visiting another community. Gifts can be anything given with a good heart—songs, stories, skills—and need not be purchased. It isn't the gift that matters, but the intention to build a relationship that does."

Good Medicine

"Think of the last time your heart was full—what made it that way? Those people or that activity was good medicine for you. Embrace those feelings and send them out into the world. We can all agree that we need more love and healing in our communities."