

News Update for September 29, 2022

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This Week at Trinity

Friday (September 30th)

- Office Closed

Sunday (October 2nd)

- Donuts before worship
- Lunch potluck after worship
- Indoor, In-Person Church and Video Worship on Facebook Page at 10:10a (<https://www.facebook.com/TUMCIF/>)
- Seventeenth Pentecost Sunday

Monday (October 3rd)

- NA Just4Today2 7:00 pm

Tuesday (October 4th)

- Cub Scouts Pack Meeting 7:00 pm
- NA Book Study 7:00

Wednesday (October 5th)

- Upper Room via Zoom 10:00 am
- Scouts meeting 7:00 pm

Sunday Worship

Fellowship Time: Donuts breakfast-9:30 – 10:00 a.m. before worship and potluck lunch after worship. Child Care is available in the nursery every Sunday.

Children's Church -- during the Sermon time each Sunday- We hope to soon provide the activity with **volunteer support help each week.**

Worship on 9/25

Lesson from the Hebrew Scripture:



Psalm 137

By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept
when we remembered Zion.

There on the poplars we hung our harps,
for there our captors asked us for songs,
our tormentors demanded songs of joy;
they said, "Sing us one of the songs of
Zion!"

How can we sing the songs of the Lord
while in a foreign land?

If I forget you, Jerusalem,
may my right hand forget its skill.

May my tongue cling to the roof of my
mouth

if I do not remember you,
if I do not consider Jerusalem
my highest joy.

Remember, Lord, what the Edomites did
On the day Jerusalem fell.

"Tear it down," they cried,

"Tear it down to its foundations!"

Daughter Babylon, doomed to destruction,

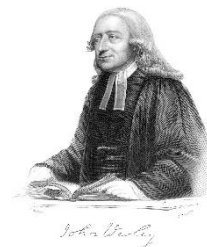
Happy is the one who repays you

according to what you have done to us.

Happy is the one who seizes your infants
and dashes them against the rocks. (NIV)

John Wesley Quote

Never was there a time
when it was more
necessary for all that fear
God, both in England and
in America, to stir up the
gift of God that is in them and wrestle with
God in mighty prayer.



TO THOMAS RANKIN, 1775

UWF News

Fall is here!
Leaves are
beginning to
turn, and



United
Women
in Faith

temperatures are dropping. Hooray! We
celebrated apples at our meeting this past
week with apple pie, apple pudding, apples
with dip, and caramel apple suckers. Mary
Nagle gave us an overview of the Mission
U program called "Pushout". Thanks to
everyone for your attendance, delicious
food, and presentation. Joni Pace will
present "Becoming a Witness in Kin-dom"
at our next meeting on October 13. Mark it
on your calendar.

UPCOMING EVENT:

On October 22 the Oregon/Idaho
Conference will be meeting in Boise. The
guest speaker will be the national
president. Be thinking about attending.
We may also have Zoom available at the
church.

Big shout out to our visiting grace ladies. I
know the time you spend with people is
greatly appreciated. My mom always
enjoyed your visits. Thanks so much!

Thanks, also, to Sherry and Don for setting up ZOOM so we could attend meetings and conferences virtually.

Enjoy our beautiful fall in Idaho!
You know what comes next

Have you “checked out” the great selection of books in the church parlor for UWFaith? Kay Pottorff has reviewed several good books these past months. Time to check out a book from the UWFaith library

Last Week's Sermon: 9/25

What's in a Name?"

Based on Luke 16:19-31 & Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16"

Name your price.
What's his name again?
If the baby's a girl, what will you name her?
When you get married will you change your last name? Hyphenate it? Will he take yours? Have you ever noticed that parents only use your full name when you're in trouble?



“Tis but thy name that is my enemy; Thou art thyself, though not a Montague. What's Montague? It is nor hand, nor foot, nor arm, nor face, nor any other part belonging to a man. O, be some other name! What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet; So Romeo would, were he not Romeo called, retain that dear perfection which he owes without that title. Romeo, doff thy name, And for that name which is no part of thee take all myself...”

At the outset it may seem like this message will be all about names which may, in certain ways, turn out to be true. Names are, after all, the bridges upon which we most readily meet; tools of recognition that help us discover and devise the shared meanings that make life together in community possible. But, while that may hold, my real I hope is that as our time together unfolds — you will start to recognize that what we're really talking about is your innate, God given ability to make, create, and proclaim change in your own life; shifts in your own perspective that in turn might impact the lives of others in a life-giving way.

That said, on the surface this “sermon” may also read as another of our somewhat typical attempts to find new ways to attend to our traditional scriptural disquisitions. New ways to name the disparate frames that outline and define our lived experience: parameters often set by this living, sacred text that we call the Bible. And on that count, you would also be correct. So, now that I've named it, we can all relax: “he's up to his old tricks again — finding the most dusty, untouched, rubble

strewn path of approach to this week's scripture dragging us along for the ride. I wonder which song he'll pick as our road map? Well, you've got me there as well. Let's pop in Johnny Cash's biggest hit, which, interestingly enough was penned by last week's creative "co-preacher," the artist, cartoonist, and poet Shel Silverstein.

Legend has it that Johnny and his wife June first heard the the song "A Boy Named Sue" at a guitar pull — a casual get-together where musicians pass a guitar around and play their songs for each other. Well, after hearing Shel's spirited new tune, June convinced Johnny that he should pick it up and try it on for size, which he ultimately did, performing it publicly for the the first time at San Quentin Prison. The crowd there, naturally loved it — many of those men quite likely finding it easy to relate to the tune's protagonist who finds himself in an unfortunate state of living due to a seemingly cruel decision made in times past by his dear old dad; so in the original recording — which you can find on the YouTube — you can hear audience members hootin', laughing and hollerin' as Cash details a boy named Sue's violent quest for vengeance against the father who saddled him with the unquestionably feminine appellation before skipping out in him and his mom. The kid, as circumstances would have it, grows up on his back foot, a target of derision due to his dad's bad decision. Or at least that's how he sees it. So, after growing up "quick and mean" he sets out to find his dad and kill him — and when he finally does stumble up on the old man in "an old saloon on a street of mud," things get ugly real fast:

Well, I knew that snake was my own sweet dad

From a worn-out picture that my mother had

Knew that scar on his cheek and his evil eye

He was big and bent and gray and old

And I looked at him and my blood ran cold

And I said, "My name is Sue, how do you do?

Now you gonna die"

Well, I hit him hard right between the eyes

And he went down, but to my surprise

He come up with a knife and cut off a piece of my ear

Then I busted a chair right across his teeth

And we crashed through the walls and into the street

Kicking and a-gouging in the mud and the blood and the beer.

Well they continue to tussle until Sue gets the upper hand, but just as he pulls his gun and readies it to pull the trigger he sees his dad smile — which gives him pause, and his defeated father a chance to explain his reasoning:

Son, this world is rough

And if a man's gonna make it, he's gotta be tough

And I knew I wouldn't be there to help you along

So I give you that name, and I said goodbye

And I knew you'd have to get tough or die

It's that name that helped to make you strong

Being that we're in the business of looking at things from different perspectives, here we might note that this line of thinking that Sue's dad employs might, in the realm of neuroscience, fall squarely into the school of what's called the "outside-in model": an approach that sees external factors as prime influencers of our inner worlds; a model that holds our process of meaning-making subject to the world around us. According to advocates of this model, our source of consciousness — that is our minds or souls, however you choose to see it — are essentially blank slates when we're born; empty registers that the outside world etches meaning onto via events and experiences. As such, our minds are simply viewed as tools for uncovering and understanding what the "real world" is, it's "true nature." In short, we are relegated to learning to relate to the names and meanings already set and given, passengers traversing courses plotted for or against us ahead of time. The brain's function is then, simply to receive or perceive various "signals" from the outside world, and interpret them.

This world is rough,

And if a man's going to make it, he's got to be tough...

A world of reasoning, we might then find, somewhat removed from poetic approach wistfully threaded through one of Shakespeare's most readily recognizable soliloquies: an inquiry that has asked now for centuries on end, "What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet..." A path, one might suggest, that falls closer in line with the somewhat novel inside-out approach to

brain research now making waves in the world of science: an idea advanced that suggests, as some teams now hold, that there's more to our story of individual and shared understanding. That is, like the approach to which a romantically inclined Juliet might attest: it is not just the impact of the outside world and its established methods of systematizing that lends meaning. We are, in fact, co-creators in the process.

So, what's in a name?

Sometimes it's given, sometimes hidden, sometimes it's simple and plain. Take the names we call God as outlined in our Psalm: Lord, refuge, fortress, Most High. You can certainly find or define others stitched in and lifted from the promises made along the way: "Those who love me, I will deliver," we read. "I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them. I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation."

What's in a name?

Well, this we might also ask Lazarus, who you may or may not have realized is the only main character, in all of the parables we've engaged these past weeks, who receives a name. And what does that name mean? Translated from Hebrew, Lazarus means "God helps."



God helps? But how? Poor, covered in sores, and longing to satisfy his hunger with crumbs from another man's table — a man whose gate (if you read a literal translation you will find) he "had been thrown" at. And to add insult to injury, his sores were licked by dogs, animals which, in that day and time were considered to be unclean. These, mind you, weren't like those cute little fluffy family member puppies we let loose to lick our faces and sleep at the foot of our beds today; rather, they were most likely many, neglected strays.

"I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them. I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation." A character like Lazarus would have likely been acquainted with the promises of said or similar Psalms while caught in his unfortunate state of living with the name "God helps."

Well, maybe this says something about his own approach to meaning-making; an internal process that refused to lean too heavily on outside factors to define his experience of the divine, for as each character dies we find that their life on the physical plane is reflected in their station in the afterlife: Lazarus is carried off

by angels to the peace-filled, welcoming bosom of Abraham, while the "outside-in" nameless rich man — who certainly let material matters rule his worldview while living — finds himself, in death, suffering in excess. Now in Hades, tormented and in agony, he looks up, begging for relief from a man he could recognize in sight; a man he could name, yet had refused day-after-day to assist in a meaningful way. And this ultimately shows how much, despite the rich man's newfound state of suffering, he has not learned much: for in an outside-in like approach, Lazarus is still relegated, in his eyes, to an earthly condition and position of service: despite his own torment and suffering, the rich man's internal process of recalibration hasn't quite kicked in so that he might consider the additional suffering he might inflict on Lazarus for his own selfish procurement of a drop of water from the tip of Lazarus' finger. Or, say, the emotional pain that Lazarus might endure in being roused from his rest in Abraham's bosom to return to a place where he experienced so much suffering. A forced remembrance.

We've talked, in weeks past, about the benefits finding ways to relate to the heroes and antiheroes of sacred texts: finding parallels that witness to our own lives in hopes of revealing our own strengths and shortcomings, or exposing our own pitfalls. This text is one that might address the internal adjustments we need to make that expose the connections we need to make, the relationships we should endeavor to remake before we find ourselves faced with the task of traversing an impassable chasm that needn't be death. Maybe there's an experience of suffering you have experienced has kept you from seeing the

silver lining that leads to God's promise of liberation. Maybe an excess focus on the next best thing has kept you from seeing a need you might otherwise have relieved for someone else with a simple offering of water and bread. Maybe, just maybe, this outside-in world has given you a name that burns like a flame each time it falls off of someone's tongue, leaving you, like Sue, kicking and a-gouging in the mud and the blood...

Well maybe it's time to adopt a new point of view — an inside-out perspective that recognizes that in all actually, it starts with you as a co-creator of God's gospel: how you choose to view your neighbors, name your roses, perceive, believe and receive God's promise of protection.

"Those who love me, I will deliver;

I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them. I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With living life I will satisfy them and show them my salvation."

Amen, Amen, Amen.

Pastor Alphaeus

Anniversaries

October

John & Sharen Trickey	5 th
Kevin & Kelly Carney	12 th
Robin & Nancy Stewart	13 th

Birthdays

October

Benson, Shawn	2 nd
Marshall, Wyatt	5 th
Stewart, Robin	6 th
Rodriguez, Sophia	7 th
French, Douglas	8 th
French, Morgan	8 th
Myers, Elia	8 th
Jakovac, Jennifer	10 th
Brown, Virginia	12 th
Hansen, Ryan	14 th
Crites, John	17 th
Davenport, Mike	17 th
Griggs, Vicki	18 th
Lowry, Lee	18 th
Marvin, Trent	18 th
Sene, Brenda	18 th
Croft, Audrey	20 th
Hindman, Beverly	21 st
Croft, Richard	23 rd
Dickson, Julie	23 rd
O'steen, Lola	25 th
Lybeck, Carter	26 th
Thorp, Amanda	27 th
Rigby, Henry	28 th
Esparza, Vince	31 st

Trinity Times - Newsletter

Trinity times is available by email, on the church web site or by paper copies at the church. Sunday Worship live on Trinity Facebook Page every Sunday or available for viewing later.

Go to www.TUMCIF.org - for links to all information or view the large screen inside the door at TRINITY UMC.

Financial Statements

Our church's financial status January 1 - August 31 2022



Income	\$92,283
Expenses	\$125,255
Net Income	<\$32,973>

Thank you for your continued generosity. More than ever, the world needs what our church offers!

Sunday Fellowship -Lunch

Sunday Lunch Potlucks after worship-- Bring a favorite dish or just join us for fun. We received some comments that it would be better to have brunch after church.

It will also help when the scouts start up



the monthly pancake Breakfasts again.

Schedule:

October 2 - Donuts before worship

Potluck Lunch after church

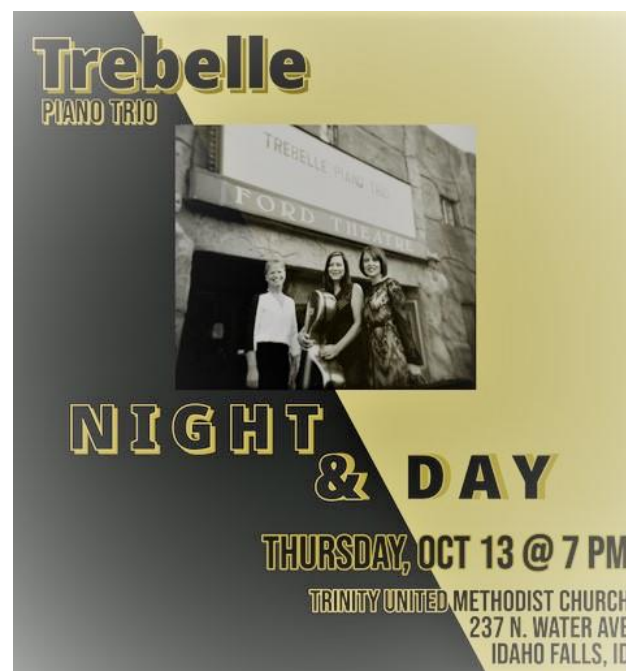
October 9 - Coffee and donuts before worship, Potluck Lunch after worship.

Fall 2022 Upcoming Events

Trunk or Treat

Trinity will be joining Frist Presbyterian church in a joint "Trunk or Treat" on Friday October 28th from 5:30 - 7pm. Decorate the back of your cars for Halloween, Wear a costume, Bring Candy and sit in the parking lot so kids can "Trick or Treat" from Car-To-Car. Last year included Robin (from Batman & Robin), Shepard, Werewolf and Ravenclaw (from Harry Potter)

Trebelle Concert



Trebelle, Idaho's premiere piano trio, will be performing a concert at Trinity United Methodist Church, 237 N. Water Avenue in Idaho Falls on Thursday, October 13 at 7:00pm. They will be presenting a program titled "Night and Day," which depicts the turning of the earth through a 24-hour period. Dawn, dusk, moonrise, and noon are presented in a variety of musical formats and from a wide range of musical styles. The music is diverse and exciting, with composers such as Ernest Bloch,

Edward Elgar, Franz Joseph Haydn, Ottorino Respighi, Lili Boulanger, Cole Porter, and more!

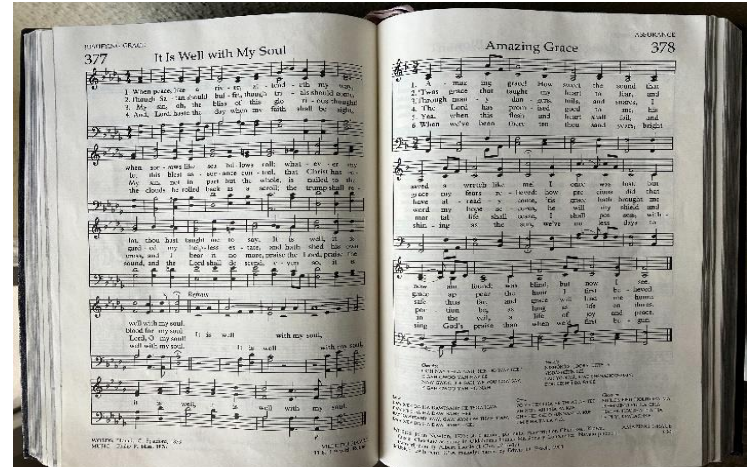
Founded in 2012, Trebelle is celebrating its 10th anniversary, and is made up of violinist Jennifer Dunn, cellist Heidi Nagel, and pianist Robyn Wells.

They have performed throughout the Pacific Northwest, and have been featured artists at the Second City Chamber Series in Tacoma, WA, the College of Southern Idaho & #39;s Piano Celebration concert series, and the McCall Second Sunday Sounds at Six recital series. Trebelle performed Beethoven& #39;s Triple Concerto with the Serenata Orchestra in Boise in 2019, and celebrated Women & #39;s Suffrage in 2020 with a program of all-female composers in Wyoming.

Thursday's concert is open to everyone.

Suggested donation is: \$15/adult

, \$10/students/seniors.



Florence Avery Funeral



Obituary

Florence Virginia Avery passed away on September 22, 2022, at the age of 99, in her home at Lincoln Court Assisted Living in Idaho Falls.

She was born to John and Wilma Gillogly in Orange, California, on August 25, 1923.

Soon afterward, her family moved to Vista, California, where she attended school and met her future husband, William (Bill)

Avery. After graduating from Vista High School, Florence continued her education at

Request a song is back

We are doing "Favorite Song" again. The rules are simple:

- At song time you can request your favorite song.

- It must be from the blue hymnal

- You must sing along

- We will sing 2 verses.

If you don't get a chance to request a song you can write your request on the bottom of the Volunteer sheet at the back of the sanctuary

Oceanside-Carlsbad Junior College where she earned an Associate Degree.

Florence and Bill were married on June 17, 1944, in Vista, California, while Bill was home on leave from the Navy during WWII. After the war, they made their home in San Marcos, California, where they began their family, later moving to Valley Center, California, where they raised their three sons.

In her capacity as secretary, Florence worked for an attorney at the Valley Center Water Department, on a construction site for the Dravo Corp., and as secretary for the principal at Yucca Valley High School in California.

After retiring, Florence and Bill moved to a cabin on the Salmon River in Elk Bend, Idaho. They loved their time together in the Salmon River country camping and rock hunting in the local mountains. Shortly after Bill passed away, Florence moved to Idaho Falls in order to be closer to family.

Florence has been a life-long member of the Methodist Church. Each time she moved to a new town, she found and joined the local church. At the time of her passing, she was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church of Idaho Falls. She made many friends there and was very active in church programs. Knitting sweaters for children in need was one of her favorite activities. During her years in Idaho Falls, she volunteered her time to several organizations including the Eastern Idaho RSVP volunteer organization and repairing books at the Idaho Falls Library.

Florence has one surviving brother, Gilbert Gillogly and his wife, Cathy of Idlewild, California. Her children are William R.

Avery of Oceanside, California, Vernon D. Avery and his wife, Donna of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Kenneth M. Avery and his wife, Carol of Ammon, Idaho. She has seven grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff at Lincoln Court for their years of kind and caring support for our mother. Thank you, also, to Enhabit Home Health and Hospice.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, October 17, 2022, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 237 N Water Avenue. The family will visit with friends from 1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. prior to the service. Burial will be in the Salmon City Cemetery.

Stained Glass Restoration Project



Dick Masterson took up Stained Glasswork as a hobby in 1975 to make gifts for family members and friends. He started making plant terrariums, Christmas ornaments and figurines. He soon started making custom

lamps, home entryway windows and church stained glass windows. Dick was praised for his design and perfect lead work. He quickly became very



proficient in stained glasswork just like he did when he took up boat building, leatherwork and building a 4-room basement in the family home in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

He designed and donated stained glass windows to a church in California in March of 1985. Dick, wife Mary and family joined Trinity in 1955 and were very active in the MYF and other church events.

Dick designed, created and donated the Trinity Methodist Church's stained-glass panels between the alter and the choir loft in 1987.

He located similar glass to the windows locally and in California.

The Trinity Church stained-glass project represented one of his most favorite, rewarding and memorable works.



Volunteer Signup Sheet is Back

It has been so much fun to have members of the congregation participate in leading the worship. Because of the COVID restrictions for two years we had David doing all the liturgy work during worship because he could safely share the stage with Ruth. We can now all safely participate in the leading of the worship. To facilitate this, we have brought back the volunteer sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary.

Church Service Participation Volunteer Sheet		
Date:	9/4	9/11
Coffee Setup	Tommy & Sherry	
Greeter/Door	Sherry	
Ushers (2)	Sherry	
Song Leaders	Scott	
Call to Worship	Dan	
Acolyte	Betty Sherry	
Collecting Prayers	Tommy	
Liturgy Old Testament	Tommy	
Kids Time		
Liturgy New Testament	Dan	
Communion		
Benediction	Richard	
Song Request 1		
Song Request 2		

Please look ahead and sign up for where you would like to assist, (Coffee Setup, Greeter/Door, Ushers (2), Song Leaders, Call to Worship, Acolyte, Collecting Prayers, Liturgy Old Testament, Kids Time, Liturgy New Testament, Communion, Benediction)

Staying Connected

Each Sunday Worship videos will be posted on Trinity's Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/TUMCIF/>).

If you go to Trinity's web page (www.TUMCIF.org) you can find a link to the Facebook page. Be sure to "like" and "follow" Trinity's Facebook page if you want our content to show up in your personal Facebook feed. Please call Ruth at 208-419-7870 if you have difficulties finding the videos.

Check Trinity's YouTube channel for videos of weekly worship at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZz1YGrdRCH6HIND2LpVCgg>

Trinity Leadership

Below are the names and contacts for the leadership positions for the next year. Please let the appropriate leader know how you are willing to serve.

- Bev Kemp - Chair of Staff/Parish Relations
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bevmkemp@gmail.com
- Don Rohde - Chair of Trustees
(860)810-3227
donrohde@aol.com
- Robin Stewart - Chair of Administrative Council
(208)521-6358
robin.s.stewart@gmail.com
- Scott Taylor, Chair of Finance
(208)201-5593

Where's Ruth on 9/17/2022

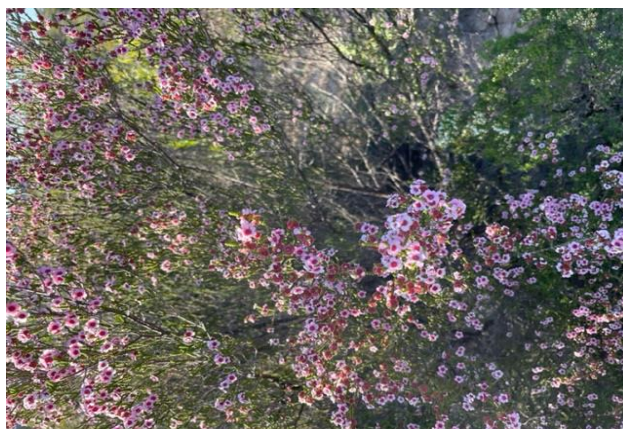
Where in the world is Reverend Ruth? -

Dear Ones

I'm on my way from Perth to Broome. It's the beginning of wildflower season in Western Australia.

Wish you were here! My next update will be about getting to the Bungle Bungles.

Reverend Ruth



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
<div>September</div>			14 10:00 Upper Room by Zoom 6:30 Finance Meeting via Zoom 7:00 Troop 6 (MDH)	15	16 Office Closed	17-
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