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- ☼ Dr. Alexander D. Goode - Jewish Rabbi
- ☼ Rev. Clark Poling - Reformed Church in America Minister
- ☼ Father John P Washington - Roman Catholic Priest
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<b>Thursday, February 7</b>	Knitting Group, 10 AM Food Truck, 5 PM
<b>Sunday, February 10</b>	Foundations Service, 9:15 AM Youth Group, 9:30 AM Blood Pressure Check, 10:30 AM Fellowship, 10:30 AM IMPACT, 11 AM Dinner Theater Practice, noon Staff Meeting, noon

## Variety Show

Variety show is on March 2 at 2 pm. You can register online (<https://goo.gl/forms/bMh9NkBfnQOuxRMz1>) or at the Information Desk. Contact Cindy Lang (616-531-0862) if you have any questions. Deadline for signing up is Sunday, February 24.

## Family Camp

Family Camp is 8/16/19-8/18/19. Due to a change in the reservation policy. All deposits need to be received by 2/15/19.

Val will be in the Welcome Center to assist with your reservation and to receive your \$30 deposit. Please make checks payable to Wesley Park. We need to have all deposit checks by 2/10/19. If you would need to cancel your reservation; there is no refund of the deposit.

## *The Prayers of Our Hearts*

**Vicky Van Dalsen** - Prayers for Bill. He is still weak and not back to his baseline. Continued prayers for Evie. Surgery went well but she has a long recovery before she is able to come home. This is sugary number 29.

**Val Rienks** - Dr. Gretchen came Monday and she ordered Home Health (thru Mary Free Bed Home Health), physical therapy and a social worker. I am thankful I don't have to take mother-in-law out to have blood work done. They will do everything at the house.

**Nancy Carpenter** - Prayers for our church, our country and our people.

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