

# The Central Christian 411

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## Mark 1:29-39

<sup>29</sup> As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup> Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup> He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup> That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed by demons. <sup>33</sup> And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup> And he cured many who were sick with various diseases and cast out many demons, and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup> In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup> And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup> When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup> He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so I may proclaim the message there also, for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup> And he went throughout all Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

What do you believe it would take to motivate you or anyone else to serve God? If you ARE serving God, what motivated you? If you're hesitant, what WOULD motivate you? And, if you are in no way inclined to serve God, what, if anything, would motivate you?

In the passage above all it took was Jesus taking the hand of Simon's mother-in-law to motivate her. Her fever left her, and she began to serve them. Some of us have a fever, a fever from a lack of motivation, to serve God. Perhaps we need to consider what it will take for us to be motivated. Has Jesus got you by the hand or are you running a fever?

May the God of motivation and love be with you always,

Wes



**African American History Month is an annual observance originating in the United States, where it is also known as African-American History Month.**

**It has received official recognition from governments in the United States and Canada, and more recently has been observed in Ireland, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom. *It began as a way of remembering important people and events in the history of the African diaspora.***

**It is celebrated in February in the United States and Canada.**

TRAINING



## Officer & Committee Chair Training

will occur on

**Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>,**

**10:00 a.m.**

**in the Community Room**

**Current AND New Officers & Chairs  
are required to attend.**

*If leaving an Officer post or Chair, you will need to pass  
your binder & key to the Church to your successor.*

This is *required training*  
**whether you have Chaired  
a committee in 2023 or will be in the upcoming year.**



**The Beginning of our  
Lenten**

**Soup & Scripture**

**is**

**Sunday**

**February 11<sup>th</sup>**

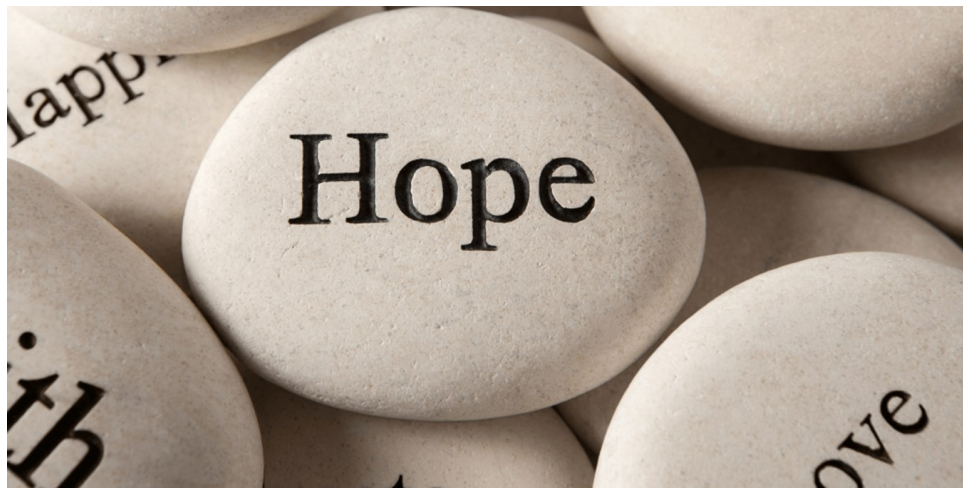
**in HeBrews**

**at 5:00 p.m.**

**This is our first Sunday  
in a four Sunday Study**

**Please read Chapters 1 & 2**

**In the Book of Acts**



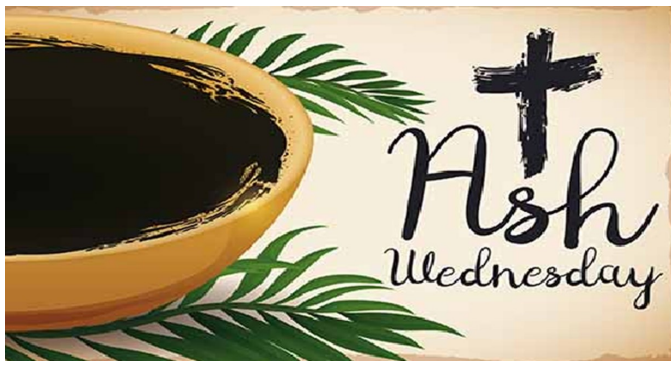
## HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>, IN HeBREWS

It has been said, “We never truly get over a loss, but we can move forward and evolve from it.” While this is true, it is a process many of us never fully move through, especially if we experience the loss of a child. So often, we get “stuck” in a stage of grief and remain there. This is the reason groups that deal with grief are so important; they help us move through the stages so we can move forward and evolve. Sadly, such groups are often not advertised, promoted, or supported by local organizations.

Here at Central Christian Church, we are very blessed to have such a group and we want to promote this organizations work. The ***Hope Remains*** Chapter of Texarkana meets in the Community Room on the ***2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m.*** The focus is for parents and grandparents grieving the loss of a child or grandchild.

The mission of Hope Remains is to offer a safe place where any and all emotions may be freely expressed. There may be tears shed at the meetings. There may be laughter and smiles shared as precious memories of a child, grandchild, or sibling is recalled. And there will always be acceptance, friendship and hope offered at the meetings.

If you have suffered the loss of a child or grandchild and wish to join this greatly needed organization, please contact Cindy Sanford at (903) 280-4130.



**February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**OUR**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**SERVICE**

**WILL BE HELD**

**AT**

**6:00 P.M.**

**IN THE SANCTUARY**

**LET US BEGIN *LENT* BY BRINGING**

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

**TO**

**THIS VERY SPECIAL *LENTEN* SERVICE**



**DON'T FORGET THOSE YOU LOVE**

ON

**VALENTINES DAY**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

**WE WILL HAVE A**

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

**ON SUNDAY, FEB. 11<sup>TH</sup>**

SO, BRING YOUR VALENTINE(S)

**AND JOIN US FOR THIS**

TIME HONORED TRADITION.



THE

***CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP***  
***(CMF)***

WILL BE MEETING

**Friday, FEB. 16<sup>TH</sup>**

**at 7:30 A.M. at**

***Old Tyme Burger Shoppe***

**Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.**

**Come join us!**





SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>

THROUGH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>

IS

WEEK OF COMPASSION

We will be taking our Week of Compassion Special Offering  
on these two Sundays.

As the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the  
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ),

Week of Compassion

works with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the  
world.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

# POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H Meat

I-Z Vegetable or salad

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



**We will continue our**

**Lenten**

**Soup & Scripture**

**Sunday**

**February 18th**

**In HeBrews**

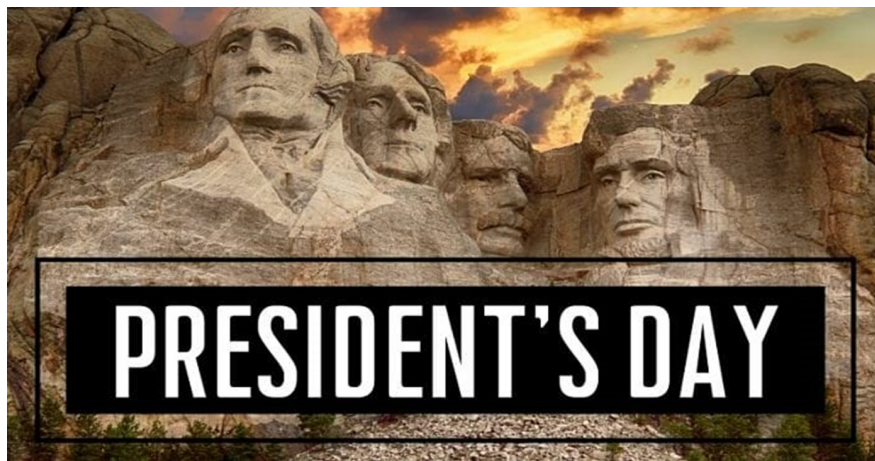
**At 5:00 p.m.**

**This is our second Sunday**

**In a four Sunday Study**

**Please read Chapters 3 & 4**

**In the Book of Acts**



This year, Presidents' Day is Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>! Which presidents do we celebrate on Presidents' Day? And why do we commonly call it "Presidents' Day" when the observed federal holiday is officially called "Washington's Birthday"?

Although the holiday is most often referred to as "Presidents' Day," the observed federal holiday is officially called "**Washington's Birthday.**"

Neither Congress nor the President has ever stipulated that the name of the holiday observed as Washington's Birthday be changed to Presidents' Day. Additionally, Congress has never declared a national holiday that is binding in all states; each state has the freedom to determine its own legal holidays. This is why there are some calendar discrepancies when it comes to this holiday's date.

In a sense, calling the holiday Presidents' Day helps us to reflect on not just the first president, but also the founding of our nation, its values, and what Washington calls in his Farewell Address the "beloved Constitution and union, as received from the Founders." Additionally, Abraham Lincoln's birthday is in February (on the 12th), so by calling the holiday "Presidents' Day," we can include another remarkable president in our celebrations as well.

Today, many calendars list the third Monday of February as Presidents' Day, just as quite a few U.S. states do, too. Of course, all of the 3-day retail store sales are called "Presidents' Day" sales and this vernacular has also been influential in how we reference the holiday.



# **SPAGHETTI DINNER**

**Our Monthly Community Wide**

**Spaghetti Dinner**

**will be**

**Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**in Disciple Hall.**

**Tickets for the dinner are**

**\$15 for adults/\$7.50 for children**

**12 and under.**

**Dinner includes: Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, & Drink**

**(Drink not included with takeout.)**

**If you would like tickets**

**please contact our Admin. Asst.**

**Tonya**

**at**

**903-792-1915**



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25<sup>th</sup>

WE WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL  
RANDY SAM'S SHELTER

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
**HELP** SERVE THE HOMELESS  
PLEASE COME JOIN  
IN.

WE MEET IN DISCIPLE HALL AT 4 PM  
TO PREPARE THE MEAL, THEN SERVE AT  
RANDY SAM'S AT 6 PM.

**Matthew 25:40**

And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, **as you did it to one of the least of these** my brethren, you did it to me.'



**February 29** is a *leap day* (or "leap year day"), an intercalary date added periodically to leap years in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. It is the 60th day of a leap year in both calendars, and 306 days remain until the end of the leap year. It is also the last day of February in leap years with the exception of 1712 in Sweden. It is also the last day of meteorological winter in the Northern Hemisphere and the last day of meteorological summer in the Southern Hemisphere in leap years.

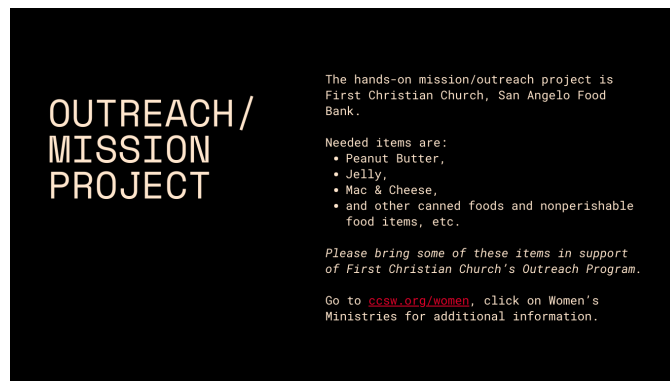
In the Gregorian calendar (the standard civil calendar used in most of the world), February 29 is added in each year that is an integer multiple of four (except for years evenly divisible by 100, but not by 400). The Julian calendar — since 1923 a liturgical calendar — has a February 29 every fourth year without exception.

(Consequently, February 29 in the Julian calendar falls 13 days later than February 29 in the Gregorian, until the year 2100.)

# CCSW WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP EVENT MARCH 1-2, 2024



Location: First Christian Church, San Angelo, TX, 2999 N Oaks St., San Angelo, TX 76903



## Best Western North Bryant Inn

1418 N. Bryant Blvd.

San Angelo, TX 76903-5248

Phone: 325-617-7990

## Hotel Information?

Make Reservations before February 1, 2024

Call 1-325-617-7990; ask for CCSW Rooming Block March 1-2, 2024

- Rooms with two Queen Beds [2 per room]: \$112 + tax per Night (13%)
- Extras in room may be charged \$10 each

## SILENT AUCTION

A silent auction will be held with the proceeds going to the CCSW Disciples Women's Operation Fund to help pay the IDWM dues and planning of events for women. Please, bring one or more items to donate from the Disciples Women of your congregation.





# ***The Journey Sunday School Class will begin our study of***

## **2 Timothy**

We hope you will join us.

*The Journey class* meets **in the**  
**Library** in the Community  
Center.

The Second Epistle to Timothy is one of the three pastoral epistles traditionally attributed to Paul the Apostle. Addressed to Timothy, a fellow missionary, it is traditionally considered to be the last epistle he wrote before his death. The original language is Koine Greek.

Although the pastorals are written under Paul's name, they are different from his other epistles, and since the early 19th century, scholars have increasingly seen them as the work of an unknown student of Paul's doctrine. They do not address Paul's common themes, such as the believers' unity with Christ, and they reflect a church hierarchy that is more organized and defined than the church was in Paul's time.

Nonetheless, a number of scholars still defend the traditional authorship of 2 Timothy.



The **TNT** Sunday School Class  
is continuing its study of

## **THE GOSPEL OF LUKE**

We study various books of the Bible  
and recently completed the  
**BOOK OF DANIEL.**

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture, we would  
love to have you join us  
**in class** or **on FACEBOOK.**

We meet every Sunday in the Community Room.



WE ANNOUNCED IN OUR SERVICE A  
FEW WEEKS AGO

WE WILL NO LONGER LEAVE THE  
ALLEY DOOR TO THE SANCTUARY  
BUILDING UNLOCKED

DUE TO UNWANTED GUESTS WHO  
MAKE THEIR HOME UPSTAIRS.

IF YOU ARE A KEY HOLDER,  
PLEASE DO NOT  
UNLOCK THE ALLEY DOOR.



**NOW AVAILABLE!!!**

**OUR BEAUTIFUL**

**CCC BALL CAP**

**AND**

**T-SHIRT**

**CAN BE YOURS FOR**

**ONLY \$20 EACH!!!**

**To purchase your**

**CCC Ball Cap**

**and**

**T-Shirt**

**Call or come by the**

**Admin. Office today!!!**



In our Sanctuary/Education building we have three areas where we try to maintain an energy efficient temperature; that can be adjusted as needed. These areas are the sanctuary, the parlor, and HeBrews. Each area has their own controls.

In an attempt to help us control the cost of heating and cooling our Sanctuary/Education building we are asking everyone to help keep doors in these areas shut at all times. When doors are left open, the heat goes up the staircases to the hallway and upper rooms and the A/C goes into rooms we are not using downstairs.

The parlor has two doors we need to keep closed, HeBrews has two doors into hallway we need to keep closed, and the kitchen door to the hallway we need to keep closed. In the area where the water fountain and women's restroom are, the door going up the steps into back of the sanctuary and the door in the hallway leading to HeBrews need to be kept closed.

With everyone's help we can save on the cost of gas and electricity.

Thank You!

Your Property Committee



BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EVERY MONDAY

VIA

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE POSTED **BY 4:00 P.M.**

AND

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW IT

EACH AND EVERY MONDAY ON FACEBOOK.

REMEMBER:

WATCH WORSHIP ON MONDAYS **AT 4:00 P.M.**

ON

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE

**[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CCCTXK/](https://www.facebook.com/ccctxk/)**



# Honorariums/Memorials

JUST A REMINDER

HONORARIUM

&

MEMORIAL

GIFTS ARE WELCOME

ANYTIME.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE AN

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK TO CCC

WITH A NOTE STATING WHO YOUR

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

IS IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF.



# FLOWERS!!!!

Be sure to purchase flowers for  
the sanctuary to honor  
Friends or Family or  
in memory of a loved one.

The cost is only  
\$40.



# OFFICE HOURS



JUST A REMINDER TO OUR CONGREGATION

OUR

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY



If you are looking for a safe way to give to the church, download the “Givelify” app onto your phone.

You can find it at the [App Store](#) or at the [Google Play Store](#) under:

“Givelify Mobile Giving App.”

Our church is listed, and this is a safe and fast way to give. Please

be sure you find

Central Christian Church Texarkana.

**411 REMINDER**

Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit for publication in the 411 must be submitted to the office **no later than noon** on Tuesdays.

After that time, we cannot guarantee your article will be published.

Day & Time may vary during holidays  
**CHURCH BULLETIN**

Any information you will like in the Church Bulletin must be submitted to the office no later than 10am on Fridays

Day & Time may vary during holidays.



**DO YOU PREFER RECEIVING TEXT MESSAGE OR PHONE CALL REMINDERS FOR MEETINGS?**

Central Christian will be sending out text messages and phone calls to remind members of upcoming meetings and inform every one of prayer needs.

If you would like to receive text messages, please text cctxk to 292929, as shown above, to have your number put on our list.

If you do not receive text messages but would like to be added to our call list, please email or call the church office at (903) 792-1915 and let Tonya know.

**Upcoming Events & Services**

<b>January 31</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>February 4</b>	11:45am	Fellowship Committee
<b>February 7</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>February 10</b>	10am	Chair Training
<b>February 11</b>	5pm	Soup & Scripture
<b>February 13</b>	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
<b>February 14</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>February 14</b>	6pm	Ash Wednesday service
<b>February 16</b>	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
<b>February 18</b>	10:40am	Week of Compassion offering
<b>February 18</b>	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
<b>February 18</b>	5pm	Soup & Scripture
<b>February 19</b>	all day	Presidents Day/office closed
<b>February 23</b>	4:30-6:30pm	Spaghetti Dinner
<b>February 25</b>	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
<b>February 25</b>	5pm	Soup & Scripture
<b>February 25</b>	6pm	Randy Sams drop off



Be sure to keep up-to-date  
with Church Activities

By visiting

[www.ccctxk.com](http://www.ccctxk.com)

to see what's new!

Our site is easy to navigate and  
there is a lot of information.



# PRAYER LIST

## IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST

In recent discussions with the Southwest Region, it has come to our attention “The Prayer List” may be cause for litigation if we place people on it that have not given their personal consent to be placed on it.

It is a violation of HIPAA Law to release information about anyone without their personal consent. Therefore, we ask that you not call requesting that a “friend” be placed on the list unless you have their consent.

THANK YOU.

# February 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad	February is African-American History Month			1	2	3
4 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Fellowship Comm.	5	6	7 5pm Choir	8	9	10 10am Chair Training
11 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 5pm Soup & Scripture	12	13 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	14 5pm Choir 6pm Ash Wednesday Service	15	16 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	17
18 Week of Compassion off 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon 5pm Soup & Scripture	19 Presidents Day Office closed	20	21	22	23 4:30pm-6:30pm Spaghetti Dinner	24
25 Week of Compassion off 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off 5pm Soup & Scripture	26 6pm Cabinet Meeting	27	28 5pm Choir	29		

## February Birthdays

Elaine Hamilton	2-2
Joe Frost, Sr.	2-8
Susie Howdeshell	2-8
Cameron Lumpkin	2-9
Connie Spears	2-13
Cara Fowler	2-20
George Carpenter, Sr.	2-24
Troy Kern	2-26
Joe Alves	2-28

## February Anniversaries

Joe & Dorothy Alves 2-10

## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### February 4, 2024

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter  
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman  
Hospital Elder: John Beeson  
Flower Elder: Mike Martin  
Deacons: Glenda Burkhardt & Sheri Thomas

### February 11, 2024

Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore  
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling  
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow  
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow  
Deacons: Lois Moore & Mae Kidd

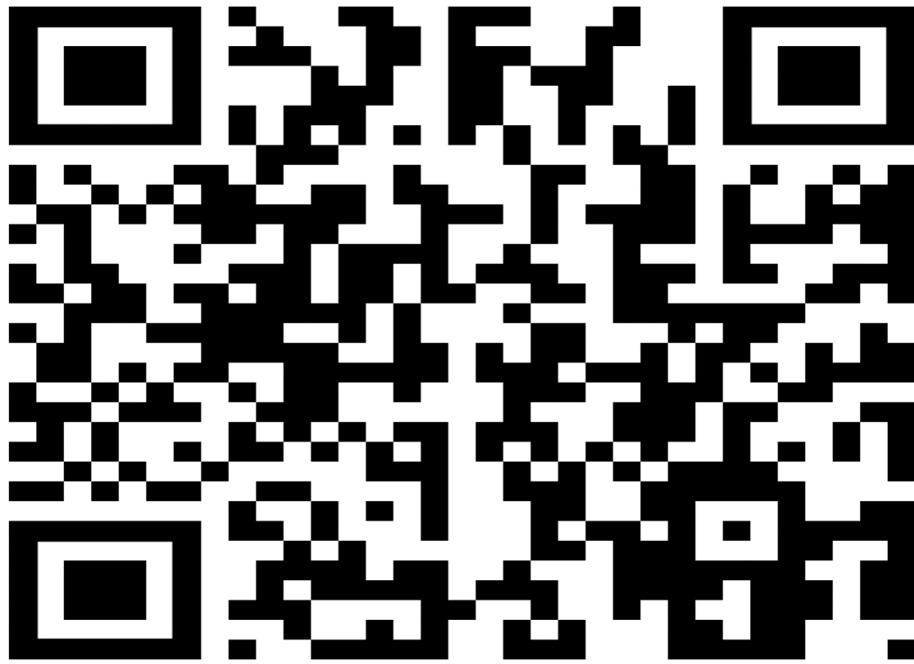
### February 18, 2024

Greeters: Mike & Martha Clinton  
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Ethan Cole

### February 25, 2024

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter  
Worship Leader: Jim Spears  
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
Deacons: Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas





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***OUR***  
***CHURCH VIDEO!***

***SHOW***  
***FRIENDS AND FAMILY.***



# Weekly Info

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## Prayer Need

Our Church  
Wes Byas  
Lee Nailling  
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister  
Betsy Spencer  
Amy Smith  
Kelley Folmar  
Lynn Groening, Julia Carpenter's cousin  
Bill Sellke, Sheri Thomas' brother-in-law  
Blaire Hamilton, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' granddaughter  
Judy Mason, Sheri Thomas' sister  
B.J. Adams, Glenda Burkhart's brother  
Brittney Matthews, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' granddaughter  
Haley Dorn, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' niece  
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter

## Ongoing Concerns

Carolyn Walker  
Anthony Johnson  
Ed Shilling, Judy Van Hooser Shilling's husband  
Roy Plhak, friend of Wes Byas  
Lee Mays, friend of Teresa Crow  
Keith Williams, friend of Tom Crow  
Elizabeth Lea, friend of Lee Nailling  
Kathy Bearden, friend of Julia Carpenter  
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhart's son-in-law  
Aubrey Fulcher, Connie Spears' brother-in-law  
Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt

## Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home  
Elizabeth Cooney, home  
Herb Hamilton, The Oaks room 34  
Elaine Hamilton, son's home  
Jane Watson  
Nancy Bair, home  
James Thompson, home  
Susie Howdeshell, home  
Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 300A  
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



**Serving this Sunday**  
**February 4, 2024**

**Greeters:** George & Julia Carpenter  
**Worship Leader:** Alice Coleman  
**Hospital Elder:** John Beeson  
**Flower Elder:** Mike Martin  
**Deacons:** Glenda Burkhart & Sheri Thomas

**January 21, 2024**

**Attendance:** 43  
**Offering:** \$ 7,943.81

**This Sunday:**

***"Chameleon"***

**Scripture:**

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

**LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

**Psalms 147:1-11, 20c**

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

**Mark 1:29-39**