

The Central Christian 411

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Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³ All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, doing the will of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else, ⁴ but God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵ even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹ not the result of works, so no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so we may walk in them.

If anyone ever wondered why the Church has so many hymns about grace, this passage is one of many examples. And here is an good illustrations of God's grace:

Watching a trapeze show is breathtaking. We wonder at the dexterity and timing. We gasp at near-misses. In most cases, there is a net underneath. When they fall, they jump up and bounce back to the trapeze. In Christ, we live on the trapeze. The whole world should be able to watch and say, "Look how they live, how they love one another. Look how well the husbands treat their wives. And aren't they the best workers in the factories and offices, the best neighbors, the best students?" That is to live on the trapeze, being a show to the world. What happens when we slip? The net is surely there. The blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, has provided forgiveness for ALL our trespasses. Both the net and the ability to stay on the trapeze are works of God's grace.

May the God of grace, love and hope abide in you always,

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YOUR EYES.

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TEXARKANA, TX



In a world facing multiple crises that are putting immense pressure on communities, achieving **gender equality** is more vital than ever. Ensuring women's and girls' rights across all aspects of life is the only way to secure prosperous and just economies, and a healthy planet for future generations.

One of the key challenges in achieving gender equality by 2030 is an alarming lack of financing with a staggering USD 360 billion annual deficit in spending on **gender-equality** measures.



SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH

WE BEGIN

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR

CLOCKS & WATCHES

FORWARD 1 HOUR

BEFORE YOU GO TO BED

SATURDAY NIGHT, THE 9TH.

Installation of Officers

SUNDAY, MARCH 10th, 2024

WE WILL HAVE

THE

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

AND

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

during our 10:40 service.

If you have accepted one of these positions, please plan to attend on this special day.



This will be our last

Lenten

Soup & Scripture

Sunday

March 10th

In HeBrews

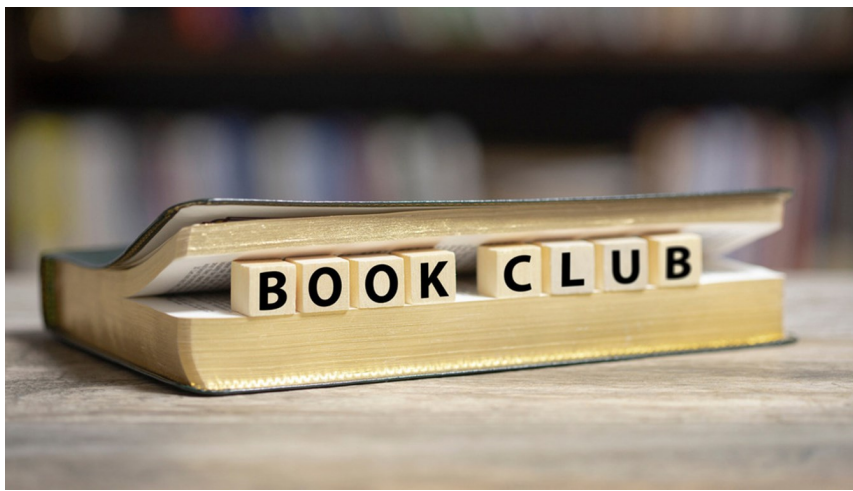
At 5:00 p.m.

This is our fourth Sunday

In a four Sunday Study

Please read Chapters 27 & 28

In the Book of Acts



ON MONDAY, MARCH 11TH
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS

“THE BOYS IN THE BOAT”
BY
DANIEL JAMES BROWN

For readers of *Unbroken*, out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times—the improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant.

It was an unlikely quest from the start. With a team composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the University of Washington’s eight-oar crew team was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain, yet they did, going on to shock the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler. The emotional heart of the tale lies with Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not only to regain his shattered self-regard but also to find a real place for himself in the world. Drawing on the boys’ own journals and vivid memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream, Brown has created an unforgettable portrait of an era, a celebration of a remarkable achievement, and a chronicle of one extraordinary young man’s personal quest.

This Book Club is for Men AND Women, and we hope both will read this book and join the discussion.

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CWF/DWM Blog

CWF will meet on Tuesday,
March 12th at 11:30am.

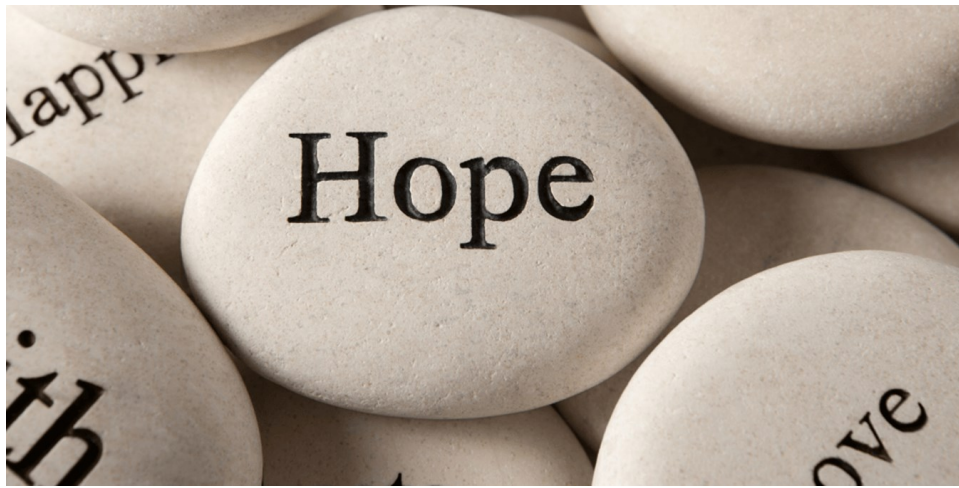
Our monthly service project is
donations for the animal shelter.

Connie will bring our lesson.

We will have a Baked Potato Lunch.

Wear green and bring your CWF
notebooks.

Hope to see you there!



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH, 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 ***2nd 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.



THE

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, MARCH 15TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



ST. PATRICK'S DAY IS SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church.

The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, céilís, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Historically the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol were lifted for the day, which has encouraged and propagated the holiday's tradition of alcohol consumption.

Saint Patrick's Day is a public holiday in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador and the British Overseas Territory of Montserrat.

It is also widely celebrated in the United Kingdom, Canada, United States, Brazil, Argentina, Australia and New Zealand, especially among Irish diaspora.

Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated in more countries than any other national festival. Modern celebrations have been greatly influenced by those of the Irish diaspora, particularly those developed in North America.

March 17th is the traditional death date of Saint Patrick (c. 385 – c. 461), the foremost patron saint of Ireland.



SUNDAY, MARCH 17th

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H Vegetable or Salad

I-Z Meat

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

Please designate the number of plants you wish to order and how you want the Sunday bulletin insert to read. The completed form should be returned to the church office or placed in the offering plate by March 15th with the payment of \$15.00 each attached.

Number of plants: _____ Payment amount enclosed: _____

Please check either in memory or in honor and print the name of the person or people you wish to remember or honor.

_____ In Memory _____ In Honor _____

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Please print the donor's name the way you wish it to appear in the Easter Bulletin.

Please pick up your Easter Lilies after the worship service on March 31st.

ORDER DEADLINE: Friday, March 15, 2024.



***The Journey Sunday School
Class will continue our study of
1st, 2nd, and 3rd John***

We hope you will join us.

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

First John maps out the three main components of saving knowledge of God: faith in Jesus Christ, obedient response to God's commands, and true love for God and others. This letter shows how Jesus expects His followers to honor Him daily wherever they are.

Second John encourages believers to stay the course, responding to one another with love and the truth of the gospel. This letter challenges readers to remain steadfast in their faith and hope in Jesus Christ, eventually receiving a "full reward" from Him.

Third John underscores central Christian convictions and testifies to the God-centeredness of the Christian faith. Jesus and the Holy Spirit are not mentioned specifically, but in the writer's view, both are included when referencing God in this letter.



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.



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CCC BALL CAP

AND

T-SHIRT

CAN BE YOURS FOR

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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.

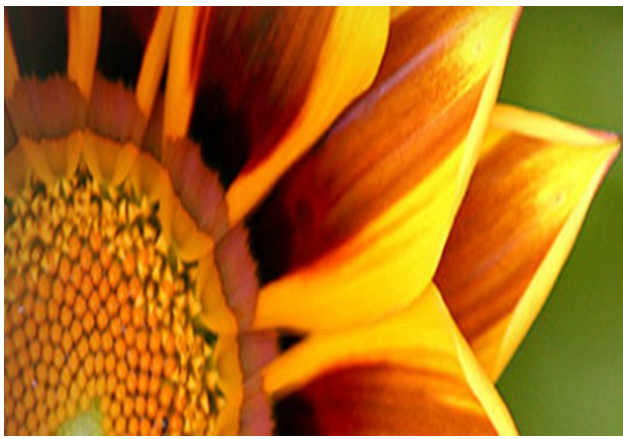
REMEMBER:

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,

Upcoming Events & Services

March 6	5pm	Choir
March 7	2pm	Worship Committee
March 10		Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 10	10:40am	Installation Service
March 10	11:45am	Fellowship Committee
March 10	5pm	Soup & Scripture
March 11	1pm	Book Club
March 12	11:30am	CWF Day Group
March 12	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
March 13	5pm	Choir
March 14	6pm	Deacon Meeting
March 15	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
March 15	4pm	Deadline to order Easter Lilies
March 17	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
March 20	1:30pm	Steering Committee
March 20	5pm	Choir
March 24	all day	Palm Sunday



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

By visiting

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.

March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Easter offering will be taken up on March 24th and 31st	Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Vegetable or salad I-Z: Meat Please wear green				1 World Day of Prayer	2 1pm-3pm Bingo
3 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Congregational Meeting 5pm Soup & Scripture	4	5 5:30pm C of F Comm.	6 5pm Choir	7 2pm Worship Comm.	8 International Women's Day	9
10 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/ Installation Service 11:45am Fellowship Comm 5pm Soup & Scripture	11 1pm Book Club	12 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support	13 5pm Choir	14 6pm Deacon Meeting	15 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	16
17 St. Patrick's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	18	19	20 1:30pm Steering Comm. 5pm Choir	21	22	23
24 Palm Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams Drop off	25 6pm General Board Meeting	26	27 5pm Choir	28 6pm Maundy Thursday Service	29 Good Friday 10am-2pm Prayer Vigil	30
31 Easter Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service						

March Birthdays

Tami Hudspeth	03-01
George Carpenter, Jr.	03-06
Joseph Cunningham	03-08
Jim Cox	03-14
Alice Kern	03-14
Pat Taylor	03-14
Steven Howdeshell	03-25
William Dobby	03-26

March Anniversaries

David & Michelle Cherry 03-20

Servers for the Weeks Ahead

March 3, 2024

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow
Worship Leader: John Beeson
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Jack Duncan

March 10, 2024

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

March 17, 2024

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

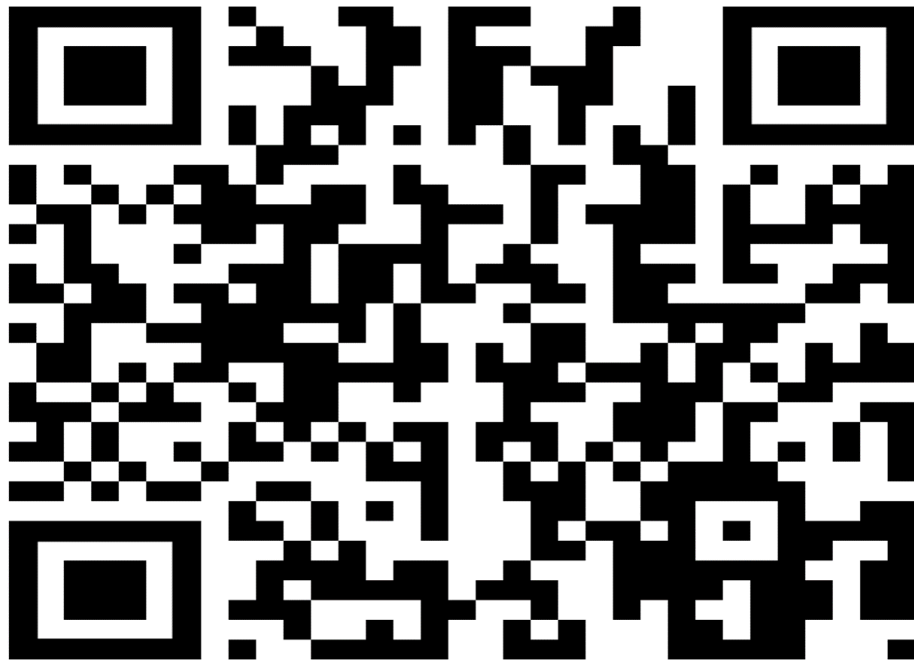
March 24, 2024

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Mike Martin
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Glenda Burkhart & Sheri Thomas

March 31, 2024

Greeters: Ethan Cole & Alice Coleman
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Lois Moore & Judy Shilling





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TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Mary Chittenden
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister
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 Burkhardt's brother
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
Keith Williams, friend of Tom Crow
Elizabeth Lea, friend of Lee Nailling
Kathy Bearden, friend of Julia Carpenter
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhardt's son-in-law
Aubrey Fulcher, Connie Spears' brother-in-law
Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home
Betsy Spencer, The Villa Room 211
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 207
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



Serving this Sunday
March 10, 2024

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

March 3, 2024

Attendance: 35
Offering: \$ 10,239.54

This Sunday:

"Looking for Life in All the Wrong Places"

Scripture:

Numbers 21:4-9

LECTIONARY FOR MARCH 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21