

# **FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER**

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

# **Lent: The Time for New Spiritual Practices**



Do you desire to deepen a relationship with God? Do you want to experience God more vividly by communicating with God through your prayers? Would you like to know Jesus and God more clearly? If so, Lent is the best season for you to try to do something new to grow spiritually. Lent is a solemn Christian observance of forty days till Easter, not counting Sundays. This Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th and ends on March 30th (Saturday) this year. In this season, Christians remember Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, where Jesus prepared for his public ministry by fasting, praying, reflecting, and being tempted by the devil. As Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit for his three-year public

ministry through various spiritual practices throughout these forty days, all Christians are invited to build an intimate relationship with Jesus and prepare for God's great missions through different spiritual practices. One of the common things our spiritual forefathers do for their spirituality is give up some bad habits and try new holy habits. How about trying the same thing this coming Lent for our spiritual journey?

The bad habits could be anything distracting you from a loving relationship with God and others. If you have difficulty finding them, try to find any addiction in your life. Anything you are addicted to usually hinders you from deepening your relationship with God, even though your addictions look good or banal. This is because you could love them or depend on them more than God. If you are successful in giving up your addictions or bad habits for forty days, you can easily overcome them. I recommend you share your decision with your family, friends, and church members for more effectiveness. These people will help you to stay on track.

However, I think paying attention to something you need to give up is not always the best strategy for your spiritual growth. Your focus on this task may continually remind you about what you are giving up and makes you keep thinking about it instead of God. As many of you already know, my apparent addiction is coffee. I once gave up my coffee to think about God more during Lent. However, during that Lent, I kept thinking about coffee wherever I went and whatever I did. At the same time, I was unconsciously looking for a substitute for coffee, which was Coke. When the Lenten season was over, I found myself addicted to not only coffee but also Coke. The better way for our spiritual growth is to try a new spiritual practice as a holy habit during Lent. If so, what kind of spiritual practices would be good to try? I would say the basics but, at the same time, essential ones: prayer and reading the Bible. I have prepared several things to help our church members try these fundamental spiritual practices.

# **February Sermon and Worship**

# 1. Lenten Sermon Series: How to Pray

The first one is the new sermon series: How to Pray.



Almost all Christians know the importance of prayer. Also, many church communities have emphasized it. However, many Christians, at least in our denomination, haven't heard about how to pray in a practical sense. We do not talk about the ways we pray or our experiences of praying with other church members, although chatting and sharing about prayers is one of the most effective ways to learn about prayers. I have encountered several Christians who firmly believe prayer is natural and does not need to be learned. We should remember Jesus taught the disciples how to pray by words and deeds throughout his three year ministry. The Lord's Prayer that we recite every Sunday was a part of Jesus' teaching when the disciples asked Jesus how to pray. Yes, we need to learn prayer, and we can train ourselves to be prayer warriors. If so, what are the ways to pray? How can we

effectively communicate with God through our prayers? What do we need to pray about, and do we learn how to listen to God through our prayers? This sermon series will answer these questions based on the Bible, church tradition, history, theology, and my personal experiences. How about trying to communicate with God through your prayers during this Lent with the help of this sermon series? Below is the tentative February sermon schedule.

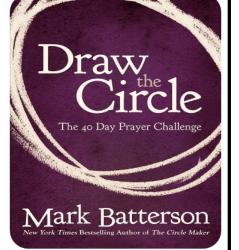
DATE	CALENDAR	SERMON	WORSHIP
2/4		-Thinking Christian 4: "How could we love our enemies?" - Bible: Matthew 5:38-48	<ul><li>Communion</li><li>Nursery</li><li>New Member Ceremony</li></ul>
2/11		-Thinking Christian 5: "How should we live in a divisive world?" - Bible: Job 38:1-11	- Choir
2/14	Ash Wednesday	- Bible: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21: "New Spiritual Practices"	- Imposition of Ash
2/18	1 <sup>St</sup> Sunday in Lent	- <b>How to Pray 1:</b> "The Most Important Action is Prayer" - Bible: Exodus 17:8-16	- Bell Choir
2/25	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	<ul><li>- How to Pray 2: "Ask, Seek, and Knock"</li><li>- Bible: Matthew 7:7-11</li></ul>	- Choir

# 2. Lenten Bible (Book) Study: "Draw the Circle"

There needs to be more than just listening to the new sermon series to learn how to pray. Preaching is a traditional and primary way to bring God's message, but it has some limitations because it is a one-way communication. Thus, I have prepared a five-week Lenten Bible Study, about paying attention to prayer.

Based on the book, "Draw the Circle", I plan to have discussions and open conversations with church members about prayer. It will benefit the church members who desire to deepen their relationships with God through prayer, along with listening to the sermons. I strongly encourage all church members to join this Bible (Book) Study.

There will be two Bible study groups on Wednesdays during Lent. One is at 9:30 AM, and the other is at 6:30 PM. There is no requirement to join



this group except for the willingness to learn and open-mindedness. Do you have no knowledge about the Bible? It doesn't matter. Do you not like reading books? You do not have to read the textbook to join this group because we will watch a video every meeting and talk about it based on it.

Do you have little experience with prayer? That is why I decided to have this group. Come and join us! It would be fun and inspiring.

If you are interested, please sign up on a sign-up sheet for the Lenten Bible Study in the Narthex area. You can also buy the textbook "Draw the Circle" at the church office or from the Narthex area for \$13.00.

### **Wednesday Morning Lenten Book Study**

**Date:** Every Wednesday from February 21<sup>st</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>, **Time and Place:** From 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the Choir Room

### **Wednesday Evening Lenten Book Study**

**Date:** Every Wednesday from February 21<sup>st</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>, **Time and Place:** From 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the Choir Room

# 3. Ash Wednesday Worship Service



Special worship services are another way to deepen a relationship with God. I plan to have several special worship services during the Lenten season, such as Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Good Friday. There will be an Ash Wednesday Worship Service in February at the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday is the first day of the Lenten season. On this first day, we will have an opportunity to remember our human mortality, which leads us to realize the most important thing in our lives beyond our busyness. Then, we will confess our sins to renew our relationship with God. To emphasize these two things, human morality and sinfulness, we will impose ashes on

our foreheads. By receiving ashes on the forehead as a cross, we remember that we came from dust and will return to it. At the same time, we remind ourselves of our sinfulness and confess our sins before God. The imposition of ashes ultimately leads us to realize who we truly are and what we need to pay attention to. That is why we begin the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday. This is the best way to start the Lenten season.

Some church members might feel strange because this coming Ash Wednesday is on February 14<sup>th</sup>, Valentine's Day. However, from a certain perspective, it is the perfect day because God is our Valentine with whom we desire to build a loving relationship. Please mark your calendar and start your Lenten season with this special worship service. The service will be held in the sanctuary on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

# 4. Reading the Book of Mark

Reading the Bible is essential for our spiritual growth as much as praying. If prayer is spiritual breath, the Bible is spiritual food. However, despite the importance of reading the Bible, reading it on a regular basis is not easy. Although I am a pastor who is supposed to be an expert on the Bible, it is not easy to read it regularly. When I miss my devotional time early in the morning, I miss reading the Bible that day, except for the time to prepare a sermon. How about resuming reading the Bible with me this Lenten season? I suggest you read the Book of Mark during this Lent. This will be a great way to reflect on Jesus' teaching, life, and ministry. It is easy to read because you are familiar with many stories in this gospel. Moreover, many biblical scholars believe that the book of Mark is the first gospel, which heavily influenced other gospels. In addition, the gospel of 2024 lectionary is Mark, which means that other denominational churches will pay attention to the book of Mark this year.

You do not have to read a lot. Try to read one chapter a day. It will take you only around 5 to 10 minutes. After 40 days, you can read the whole book at least once, even if you miss a few days. You will read the entire book two times if you diligently follow the reading chart. I made a reading chart for Mark and placed it below for your reading. Please utilize it. To promote your reading, Janet, our new administrative assistant, will make bookmarks on which the reading chart is and distribute them on the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday (February 14<sup>th</sup>). After that, you can pick it up from Narthex. Moreover, I will make a "Mark Reading Progress" board and put it in the narthex area. This will show you how many chapters you need to read in a certain week. If you complete the assigned reading in a specific week, please place a sticker on it. This will encourage other church sisters and brothers to read more. I hope this "Mark Reading Progress" will be filled with stickers!

# MARK READING CHART FOR LENT

Day	Date	Scripture	Day	Date	Scripture
Day 1	2/14	Matthew 6:1-21	Day 21	3/8	Mark 4
Day 2	2/15	Mark 1	Day 22	3/9	Mark 5
Day 3	2/16	Mark 2	Sunday	3/10	Luke 11:1-13
Day 4	2/17	Mark 3	Day 23	3/11	Mark 6
Sunday	2/18	Exodus 17:8-16	Day 24	3/12	Mark 7
Day 5	2/19	Mark 4	Day 25	3/13	Mark 8
Day 6	2/20	Mark 5	Day 26	3/14	Mark 9
Day 7	2/21	Mark 6	Day 27	3/15	Mark 10
Day 8	2/22	Mark 7	Day 28	3/16	Mark 11
Day 9	2/23	Mark 8	Sunday	3/17	Luke 11:1-13
Day 10	2/24	Mark 9	Day 29	3/18	Mark 12
Sunday	2/25	Matthew 7:7-11	Day 30	3/19	Mark 13
Day 11	2/26	Mark 10	Day 31	3/20	Mark 14
Day 12	2/27	Mark 11	Day 32	3/21	Mark 15
Day 13	2/28	Mark 12	Day 33	3/22	Mark 16
Day 14	2/29	Mark 13	Day 34	3/23	Mark 11:1-11
Day 15	3/1	Mark 14	Sunday	3/24	Matthew 6:5-15
Day 16	3/2	Mark 15	Day 35	3/25	John 12:1-11
Sunday	3/3	Luek 18:1-8	Day 36	3/26	John 12:20-36
Day 17	3/4	Mark 16	Day 37	3/27	John 13:21-32
Day 18	3/5	Mark 1	Day 38	3/28	John 13:1-35
Day 19	3/6	Mark 2	Day 39	3/29	John 18:1-19:42
Day 20	3/7	Mark 3	Day 40	3/30	Mark 14:1-15:47

# **Sunday School News**

Sunday school began on January 14<sup>th</sup> in a new way. Mona, Denise, Donna, Ashley, Julie, Kelly, and Miyeon joined as Sunday school teachers. AnnaRose will be a teacher in the nursery. Thank you for all your commitment and dedication to such an important mission. Despite these many people, we still need more Sunday school teachers. Since Sunday school takes place during the worship service, we limit Sunday school teachers' involvement, at best, once a month, taking turns. It would be perfect if we had one or two more teachers. If you are interested, do not hesitate to contact Mona or Pastor Ho Lee.

We do not have Sunday School on the first Sunday of the Month when the church celebrates communion because I believe it is critical for children to join the regular worship as well as participate in the communion. Instead, we will have a nursery for children under five years old. On the same Sunday, there will be Fun Sunday or Sunday School Teachers' meeting after the worship service, taking turns with each other. Fun Sunday is when Sunday School and youth groups go to a certain fun activity, such as tubing, bowling, party, and so on. Please continue to pray for Sunday school ministry to flourish.

# **Sunday School Schedule**

DATE	CALENDAR	SUNDAY SCHOOL	TEACHERS
2/4		<ul><li>No Sunday School</li><li>Fun Sunday:</li><li>Tubing at Sunburst</li><li>Nursery</li></ul>	AnnaRose A.
2/11		-Theme: "Satan Tempts Jesus" - Bible: Luke 4:1-13	Denise S. Ashley B.
2/18	1 <sup>St</sup> Sunday in Lent	-Theme: "Jesus Performs His First Miracle." - Bible: John 2:1-12	Mona A. Miyeon K.
2/25	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	-Theme: "Nicodemus Visits Jesus at Night" - Bible: John 2:1-21	Donna D.

# **Youth Winter Retreat Report**



The Youth Group had a wonderful time in the Youth Winter Retreat at Lake Lucerne Camp and Retreat Center from January 19<sup>th</sup> (Friday) to 21<sup>st</sup> (Sunday). We had fun playing games, crafts, singing, and outdoor activities, such as sledding, hiking, snowshoeing, and broomball. More than 50 youth members from other Wisconsin UMC churches joined this winter retreat. If we add all chaperones, the number of participants in this program would be around 70. Seven youth members from our church participated in this retreat with three chaperones. I sincerely appreciate all church members' support for youth. We

can make this camp with our church members' spiritual and financial support. I especially thank Shelli and Jeff for joining this camp as chaperones in this freezing weather. Please continue to love and support the youth and the future of the church.

# **Care Committee Report**

We continue to have our church family facing difficult challenges. What a difference it can make by a simple phone call, card, visit or preparing a meal for them.

If interested in joining this committee please contact Jan Andrews or Dea Hebel.

Thank You To All Of Our Volunteers!

Submitted by Jan Andrews



### Trustees The

We have completed the 2 replacement window/door projects on our educational building on Marr St. and the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor window has been replaced. Installation of the office entrance security device is on hold due to back order. All Church entrance keys have been rekeyed, and ALL key holders will be signing a security 2024 key log sheet. The main women's bathroom has a new lock installed to make it more user friendly for handicap accessibility and the 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathrooms will be open and available at all church functions.

Additional sanctuary microphones have been approved by the Trustees and we are awaiting Church Council approval so they can be installed. This will greatly enhance our worship and live streaming services. We will be writing a request for a non-profit grant for updating our camera security on the premises. We will have LED lighting (purchased in 2023) installed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor hallway and women's bathroom. There are a number of projects that we are considering for 2024. However, your Trustees will be mindful of our financial budget. We all have been challenged in January with snow, ice, slippery areas, and extreme cold. Please be careful when out and coming to Church functions. We have a good, reputable snow removal company but again, please be careful.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact any one of our Trustees.

Be with God as we move forward in 2024.

Submitted by Bill Averbeck, Trustee Chair

# **News From Pacto Community Closet**

We have been officially open for one year. I cannot begin to express my gratitude for our church's support and the FDL community in supporting this mission! Without yor help we wouldn't be able to welcome and serve those that already reside here. On any given day I can be found at Covenant working on donations that I have picked up. I have been blessed by meeting so many caring people and interacting with our Hispanic families that have come to us. I want to thank the volunteers that have helped along the way to sort, clean, and set up for the rummage sale that is open to the public every 2nd Saturday of each month. Also we thank you all for spreading the word of our Community Closet. May God continue to bless you.

In Christ's Love, Dana

### Taxi service to Church



Covenant Church has an agreement with Quality Cab (920-929-8888) to provide a taxi service for anyone needing a ride to a church service or activity. You must call the cab company on Tuesday or Wednesday to schedule your ride. Be sure to tell them to charge it to the Covenant account.

Wheelchair cab service may be available on weekdays ut not on Sunday mornings.



During our January church council meeting we discussed why marketing is a tool to get interested people to come into our doors. Marketing is the basic principle of presenting your offer to your audience that needs it, in a manner that will make sense to them, appeal to them. Human beings are hardwired with common desires such as love, acceptance, hope, purpose, etc. If we identify those as the wants and needs of the world, the church is perfectly positioned to address those desires. Good marketing allows churches to share with its community how it can meet spiritual and other needs of its members.

Dear Lord, we come to you today asking for guidance. We sometimes feel lost and overwhelmed, and we need your help in finding our way. Please open our eyes and heart to the direction you want us to take. Help us to make wise decisions that will lead us closer to your path for our lives. Give us the strength and courage to persevere when times are difficult. Lead us with your truth and love, so that we may live a life that brings glory to your name. Thank you for your guidance and protection. Amen

Tom Retzleff, Church Council Chair

# New Member Feature – Eva Doyle



Church Council

We welcomed Eva Doyle (nickname: Eva Diva D) as a new member on January 14. She has lived in Fond du Lac for 28 years and is currently employed part time doing rental and real estate cleaning. Previously you may have seen her as she served you at Subway or Cool Beans and Bagels. Eva originated from Grand Junction Colorado where she attended First UMC. Growing up, she was an active participant in Sunday School and Methodist Youth Fellowship. Her mom was, and still is (at the age of 75) the church organist and pianist. Eva has a son, a daughter and a five year old granddaughter (named Echo).

Eva's hobbies include collecting rocks and collecting antiques (i.e. washboards, medicine bottles, bread boxes, rug beaters, Catholic memorabilia, including crucifixes, and more.) She sings karaoke, especially light rock and blue grass, and

listens to contemporary Christian and country music. She enjoys board games and playing cards, loves community festivals, whether it's related to music, tractor pulling, different cultures or whatever (think: Walleye Weekend). It's all about the camaraderie. Eva loves a variety of TV programs, one of which she likes listening to is Pastor Steven Furtick from South Carolina. She readily turns to her Bible app when she's looking for guidance in any given situation. Eva enjoys thrift store shopping, and believes in reduce, reuse, recycle. She is very creative at repurposing and making things more beautiful. For instance, she has a coffee table with a foosball table inserted under the glass. It's a great conversation piece in her home. She says she gets her creative abilities from both of her parents. Introduce yourself to her and ask about her bucket list which includes a trip to Alaska (in the summer) and a trip to Greece. You'll love her energetic, positive attitude and sense of humor.

# **Covenant Cares About People (C.C.A.P)**



We have kept up our banana project even through the cold. Pick 'n Save had oatmeal on sale for \$1.49 so we bought 100 boxes and delivered them to schools. There was a rumor of more kids not getting a lunch at school which was investigated and taken care of. We are able to do this because of you! If anyone wants to ride along please let me know.

"Missing church is a misdemeanor, the more you miss, de meaner you get."

Anonymous

Submitted by Darrell Jewson, C.C.A.P Chair



# **Sunday/Funday**

On Sunday, February 4th, we are going tubing at Sunburst in Kewaskum with our youth and Sunday school kids. We will have a light lunch for them at church before leaving. There is no cost to our children and youth. Tubers must 42 inches tall or be with a parent. Parents will just pay \$10. Once we arrive we will have 2 hours to tube.

Tickets are less expensive when purchased in advance so please let Diane W. know ASAP if you plan to attend (920) 251-1317.

Submitted by Diane Weider





# The United Methodist Men (U.M.M) Report



The United Methodist Men, UMM, met Saturday Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> at Rolling Meadows, always the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at 8 AM. 5 men present. Plans were set for Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Dinner. The dinner served 6 friends and neighbors. The UMM thank all those who made deserts Melissa & Mark Leifering who donated breadsticks, the Deckers for meat used, Tom for special cupcakes, and an anonymous doner for the remaining expenses, and our young people for helping AJ make two paths throu the snow banks.

### THANK YOU ALL!

"Church should be your excuse for missing everything else." *Anonymous*Submitted by Darrell Jewson, UMM Chair

### **UMF REPORT**

Our January meeting was our annual pledge service. The next meeting will be February 7th with Diane & Suzie as hostesses and Dea as program leader.

### **New Officers**

Two officer positions were filled Donna Miller will be Vice President and Shelli Dekker will be our Secretary of Program Resources. We are so grateful they will fill these positions.

### **Food Pantry Update**

We received a \$1,200 grant from Wisconsin UM Foundation for this calendar year to support our Little Food Pantry project. This will help supplement our local donations.

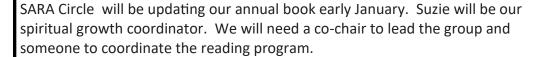
Though the weather has changed, people continue to need help and our little box is being emptied daily. Please consider donating 1 or 2 items if possible. We are not putting canned vegetables in though fruits in heavy syrup will not freeze as easily. All dry goods are very helpful such as granola bars, cereals, pancake mix, dry soups that only need water to make, ramen noodles, and quick mac & cheese products. Hygiene products always are taken, as are Kleenex and toilet tissue.

### **Cookie Walk**

Our Cookie Walk was very successful and from those earnings we voted to give \$300 each to Youth for Crist St. Katherine Drexel Shelter and Northcott in Milwaukee.

Submitted by Dea Hebel

# **SARA Circle Update**





Each year we are required to empty our treasury so we voted to donate another \$400 to food pantry and \$400 to Youth mission trip. We filled bags for 12 shut-ins and members will deliver them. New members are welcome and this is a good time to start. It will be our pledge service for 2024.

Submitted by Dea ...

## **Volunteer Training**

There are many hands at work to create a meaningful worship experience that runs seamlessly. To increase the number of people wo are involved and tat feel at ease with these tasks we will offer brief trainings each month to those who are already volunteering and those who might be curious. It starts with Ushers on Sunday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>. Live stream training will be Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> Sound and PowerPoint training will be Sunday, Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>. They will all be at 10:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. Responsibilities will be outlined and questions answered. If you cannot make it on te planned date, let Pastor o Lee know and there will be individual training conducted. All are welcome! Attending training does not mean you are Committed to participating Please pray about your involvement on the Worship Team.

Submitted by Denise Retzlaff

### **Loaves and Fishes**

On Wednesday evening, January 17<sup>th</sup>, Covenant church members served 88 take out meals to those in need at Church of Peace. The meal consisted of Pump n Pantry chicken, scalloped potatoes, vegetable, banana, bread, cookies, and milk. It is an honor and privilege to serve this meal. If anyone wishes to help out with this in the future, we have a sign up sheet in the Narthex 2 weeks before serving date. Donations



of boxed scalloped potatoes, cookies or a monetary donation to purchase these items are always welcome. We serve 4 times a year and our next time will be April 10. Thanks to all those who help out and/or serve. It is greatly appreciated! Mona Averbeck and Nancy Johnston

It is a pleasure to have our faithful crew work at this important event. Anyone is welcome to help and all help is greatly appreciated.

### **GOD BLESS!**

Submitted by Denise Retzlaff











# What are We Talking about in Bible Study?

\* From Jan. 31-Feb 14 (for three weeks)

We will use the Upper Room devotional guide to focus our conversation topics and/or we'll re-read the scripture from the previous Sunday and discuss the sermon.

\* Starting Feb.21,

Pastor Ho Lee will lead the session using the book, *Draw the Circle*. This will be a five week Lenten series on prayer. You are invited to any or all of these conversations.

We meet on Wednesday at 9:30 am in the choir room. Please feel free to drop in.

Submitted by Denise Retzleff



### **New Administrative Assistant**

We are very fortunate to have Janet Liebich join our staff as our new administrative assistant. Janet is originally from Illinois and spent most of her career in municipal government. Her husband, Rich, of 43 years grew up in Campbellsport. She has two sons and three grandchildren. Since retiring, Janet enjoys biking, reading and fishing, however, she decided she wanted to work part-time and I believe we are very lucky that she did.

Submitted by Diane Weider

### **SOUP TO GO!**

Time to fill your bellies with the warm deliciousness of soup.

Hassel free, let someone else do the cooking for you!

Soup will be available in Quart Size for \$7.00 and Pint Size for \$4.00. See menu and dates below:

**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**, Feb. 11th - Potato

Feb. 18th - Stuffed Pepper

Feb. 25th - Chili with/without macaroni

Mar. 3rd - Cheesy Broccoli/Cauliflower

March 10th - Cheeseburger



# **Attention Cancelled Stamp Savers**

Did you know that by saving your cancelled stamps you can help the Marion Mission send much needed medical supplies, clothes, shoes, bedding and other items to the needy people in Africa.

Please bring your cancelled stamps to and give them to Nina Krueger or Marilyn Stillings on any Sunday or if you see us in between, that will work, also. You can also drop them off in the church office.

Thank you once again for your faithfulness in helping the United Women in Faith with this mission.

(There is no need to save prepaid postage type stamps as they are not accepted)

Sincere thanks for all of your used stamp contributions!

**Submitted by: Marilyn Stillings** 

# Mission Offerings for February

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday (2/4) St. Katherine Drexel Shelter

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (2/11) St. Katherine Drexel Shelter

Ash Wednesday (2/14) Help For The Homeless

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (2/18) Help For The Homeless

4th Sunday (2/25) Help For The Homeless



### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

2-4 - Robert and Jayne Pickart



### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 2-1 Jayne Pickart Rhonda Roehrig
- 2-4 Susan Myers
- 2-7 Marge Miller
- 2-11 Sharon Olson
- 2-12 Susan Bird-Schaefer
- 2-14 Les Nussbaum
- 2-15 Gerald Burns
- 2-17 Diane Weider
- 2-23 Shirley Martin
- 2-25 Ruth Beirne
- 2-27 Wilma Hamilton
- 2-29 Jan Klaske

# **February Worship Volunteers**

DATE	Liturgist	Children's	Children's Ushers		Live-	PPT/Sound
DATE	Lituigist	Time	Oshers	Acolyte	Streaming	PP1/30ullu
2/4	Bill A	Pastor Ho Lee	Jan A.	Charlie A. Memphis A.	Mona A.	Tom R.
2/11	Donna M.	Diane W.	Bill A.	Jin L.		Diane W.
2/14	Mary B. <b>Ash Wednesday</b>				Mona A.	Diane W.
2/18	Tami A.	Donna M.			Denise R.	Sloan A.
2/25	Gary M.				Denise R.	Tom R.



# February 2024

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Saturday		Pastor Day Off		Pastor Day Off 8am Men's Breakfast		Pastor Day Off		Pastor Day Off		
Friday	2	Pastor Sab- bath	6	Pastor Sab- bath	16	toam Clergy Day Apart at Beaver Dam: Trinity	23	Pastor Sab- bath		
Thursday	1	Pastor Vacation	ω	9-11am Visioning Mtg	15	Pastor Sabbath	22		29	
Wednesday			7	9:30am Bible Study 10:45am Sara Circle 1pm Clergy Boundry Training	14	8am Clergy Zoom Meeting 9:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Ash Wednes- day Worship Service	21	9:30am Lenten Bible Study 1 5:30pm Champions Bingo 6:30pm Lenten Bible Study 1	28	8am Women's Breakfast 9:30am Lenten Bible Study 2 6:30pm Lenten Bible Study 2
Tuesday			9	6:30pm Trustee Mtg	13		20		27	
Monday			r	4:30pm Infant Baptism 2 6pm Bell Choir Practice Sunday	12	ship at Lake House 4:30pm Finance Committee 6pm Bell Choir Practice	19	6pm Bell Choir Practice	26	toam Worship Committee 6pm Bell Choir Practice 6:30pm Church Council
			4	9am Worship 9am New Member Ceremony 6pm Choir Practice	11	9:00 a.m. Worship 6pm Choir Practice	18	9:00 a.m. Worship 6pm Choir Practice	25	9:00 a.m. Worship 6pm Choir Practice



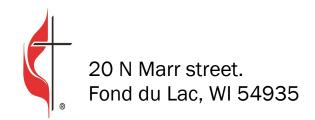
# Easter Flowers Order Form

This year we will have an eclectic mix of budded blooms to adorn the chancel area and the large flower urn outside the west entrance greeting parishioners. We invite you to make a donation for these plants in memory or honor of a loved one. On Easter Sunday, all donor intentions will be recognized in the bulletin.

Checks should be made to Covenant Church with a note in the memo line "Easter flowers". Include the following information with your check (please print).

Given by	
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