



February & March 2026: Dreaming of Spring Edition

From the Desk of The Very Rev'd Joe Pierjok, cmj

As this newsletter reaches you, we are standing on the threshold of Lent — a season the Church returns to year after year, not because we enjoy solemnity for its own sake, but because we need the gift Lent offers. Lent does not ask us to become someone else. Instead, it invites us to become more honest about who we already are. It is a season of clarity rather than perfection, of attentiveness rather than achievement. In a culture that constantly urges us to add more — more commitments, more noise, more certainty — Lent gently invites us to pause, to simplify, and to listen again for the voice of God. At Grace, our life together is shaped by ordinary, faithful rhythms: gathering for worship, praying for one another, serving our neighbors, and showing up even when life is complicated or heavy. Lent does not interrupt these rhythms; it deepens them. It helps us notice what is already true — that God meets us not only in moments of celebration, but also in silence, repentance, and trust.

One of the quiet gifts of parish life is how often God is present in places we might otherwise overlook. Most days at Grace are not marked by dramatic moments. They are marked by unlocking doors, setting the altar, making coffee, visiting the sick, planning meals, answering emails, and sharing conversation in the parish hall. And yet, it is precisely in these ordinary acts that faith takes shape. The Church exists so that ordinary life might be caught up in God's grace. We gather week after week not because everything is resolved, but because we trust that Christ meets us here — in Scripture proclaimed, in bread broken and wine shared, and in the community we form together. Lent sharpens that trust. It reminds us that faith is not about having all the answers, but about returning, again and again, to God with open hands.

Traditionally, Lent invites us to prayer, fasting, and acts of mercy. These are not meant to be spiritual hurdles or private accomplishments. They are tools that help us make room — room for God's mercy, room for honesty, room for love. Whether that looks like setting aside intentional time for prayer, letting go of habits that distract us, or leaning more fully into care for others, the goal is the same: to be shaped more deeply by the life of Christ. Our worship during Lent stands at the heart of this work. At the altar, we bring the fullness of who we are — gratitude and grief, hope and weariness — and offer it to God. We are marked by ashes, fed at the table, and sent back into the world not as perfected people, but as people learning how to live with humility, patience, and compassion.

As we walk through this season together, my prayer is that we notice God's presence in the small things: in quiet prayer, in conversations over coffee, in hands extended to neighbors in need, and in the courage to keep showing up even when life feels uncertain. These moments may not draw attention to themselves, but they are holy ground.

Thank you for the many ways you contribute to the life of Grace — through prayer, service, generosity, and faithful presence. You are not simply attending a church; you are participating in a shared life that God is continually shaping and renewing.

May this Lent be a season of honesty, gentleness, and grace for each of us. And may we enter it together, trusting that even in the wilderness, God is already at work.

-The Very Rev'd Joe Pierjok, cmj

Coffee Hosts— *February:* Blair Family
March: 01-Hess Family; 08-29th Kester Family



SPirit of GRACE

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La Oración.

He sido una persona de oración por mucho tiempo en mi vida. ¿Ha funcionado? ¿Me ha **resuelto** todo enteramente? Aparentemente no, pero aun tengo mucho por crecer.

Sin duda, ha orado por algunas cosas, esperando que la oración lo solucione, ¿verdad?

Cuando estamos enfermos, oramos a Dios para que nos sane. Cuando tenemos escasez, oramos a Dios por provisión. Cuando nos han agraviado, oramos para que Dios lo corrija. Todas esas oraciones son buenas oraciones. Dios nos llama a confiar en él en esos momentos para movernos, trabajar y actuar en nuestro nombre.

Pero aún así, la oración no «arregla» todas las situaciones que encontramos.

En el libro de los Hechos, capítulo 4 leemos la historia de Pedro y Juan arrestados por predicar acerca de Jesús. Más tarde, son liberados después de un fuerte sermón de la policía del templo sobre no continuar difundiendo el evangelio. La iglesia, en respuesta, comienza a orar. Y aquí está la revelación ... **el problema de la persecución en realidad empeora**. La oración no lo arregló. El problema persistió. Pero la oración sí **cambió** la situación. Aquí está lo que la iglesia oró... «Y ahora, Señor, mira sus amenazas, y concede a tus siervos que con todo denuedo hablen tu palabra. Mientras extiendes tu mano para que se hagan sanidades y señales y prodigios mediante el nombre de tu santo Hijo Jesús.» (Hechos 4:29-30) ¿Qué pidió la iglesia ante la persecución? Mayor audacia. Mayor poder. Un mayor testimonio. Y Dios respondió a la oración, no para resolver el problema de la persecución sino para cambiar las variables... «Cuando hubieron orado, el lugar en que estaban congregados tembló; y todos fueron llenos del Espíritu Santo. Y hablaban con denuedo la palabra de Dios. Y la multitud de los que habían creído era de un corazón y un alma. Y ninguno decía ser suyo propio nada de lo que poseía, sino que tenían todas las cosas en común» (Hechos 4:31-32 RVR60) A veces ponemos una carga en la oración que la oración nunca tuvo la intención de manejar. Vemos la oración como una formula mágica. *Si yo digo estas palabras el problema instantaneamente desaparecerá...* Lo que basicamente le decimos a Dios es: «Dios, tengo este problema y te pido que me lo arregles ...» Y cuando el problema no se resuelve o desaparece rápidamente, nos sentimos decepcionados con Dios, desanimados por nuestras circunstancias y disgustados por nuestra propia falta de fe. ¿Qué pasa si, en lugar de esperar que la oración “arregle” todas nuestras circunstancias negativas, confiáramos en que Dios diseñó la oración para **cambiar las variables**? Podría ser que cuando le pido a Dios que arregle mis problemas financieros, su verdadero deseo es cambiar y hacer crecer mi capacidad para *administrar* mis finanzas Quizás, en lugar de arreglar milagrosamente las áreas de conflicto en mi matrimonio, el verdadero objetivo de Dios es cambiarnos a mí y a mi cónyuge para que seamos *más como Jesús* entre nosotros. Dios a menudo sana y provee en respuesta a la oración de manera dramática y milagrosa. Lo he visto. Y lo creo. Pero más a menudo, se pone a trabajar para cambiarnos a **nosotros** y a las personas que nos rodean de adentro hacia afuera, a veces de manera lenta y progresiva, para poder manejar nuestros desafíos de diferentes maneras.

For the upcoming season of Lent the catechism classes on Wednesday evening will take a short pause. During this season of Lent, Fr. Joe and I will be presenting a series on End of Life planning. Following our 6:00pm Mass on Wednesday evenings we will gather in the parish hall to discuss the church's theology on death and dying, to look at what the Book of Common Prayer offers us for that season of life, what you can expect from your clergy during the period before and after death, ways in which you can remember the church with a lasting legacy in planned giving, choosing a columbarium space at the church if interested, an opportunity to hear what navigating the work of a funeral home looks like and more.

This is an excellent opportunity to commit to a short six week offering that will help you prepare for the season of life that we all hope is farther away than it really is, and to ensure that those who remain when we have entered into greater glory can know exactly what to do because you have planned for it appropriately. When we plan ahead, thoughtfully, and with intention, those we love when we die can be left to mourn and grieve without pain or worry of doing all the things correctly, or in the way you would have wanted most, because you will already have that last act of love for them complete.

Even if you think you have already made these plans or have something on file with the church, this is an excellent opportunity to make sure those plans are current and accurately reflect your last wishes.

Beginning February 18th, every Wednesday night in Lent from 7pm-8pm please do consider joining us for this End of Life series.

Of course, you are always welcome to come to mass and join in the community dinner prior to the class beginning. Please note that in Lent, our Wednesday evening community dinners are simple offerings and without meat.

Feb 18th, 25th and March 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th.

Inclement Weather Protocol

Please remember if the Carthage R-IX School District is canceled due to inclement weather, our Grace Church office will also close. Use your own best judgement on being safe when deciding to come to church or stay home.

The Grace Church Players present: The Pharaoh's Trial

Grace Church Dinner Theater

Show Dates: Feb 20, 21, 27 & 28

\$35/person, All funds raised support youth pilgrimage travel.

6:00 pm Seating, 6:30 pm Dinner served

Dinner Menu:

Garden Salad

Roasted Pork Loin

Loaded Mashed Potatoes

Green Beans

Dinner Roll

Orange Brownie & Ice Cream

Reservations:

Contact Elisa White or visit Spencer Orr in the Grace Church office, phone: 417-358-4631

Year end of 2025 budget:

At the end of 2025, the total YTD income was \$625,875.75 which includes pledge, non-pledge, special offerings, and investment & endowment with total YTD expenses being \$600,084.45 resulting in a surplus of \$25,791.30.

Banns of Marriage, First Asking:

I publish the Banns of Marriage between Julie Anderson & Scott DePew, both of Carthage, MO. If any of you know just cause why they may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are bidden to declare it. This is the first time of asking.

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Diaconal Ordinations

You're Invited to the February 21, 2026

Diaconal Ordinations

Please note that due to extreme caution over expected bitter temperatures,

The Diocese of West Missouri rescheduled the diaconal ordination to February 21 at 10 a.m. at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral downtown Kansas City.

On Saturday, February 21, 2026, at 10 a.m., God willing, Christopher Ryan Dodson, Richard Michael Liantonio, **Jory Mertens**, Anita Ruth Scott-Philbrick, Barbara Janette Platter, and Brandon Mason Smee will be ordained into the Sacred Order of Deacons at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City.

Spam Text Messages & Emails

As a casual reminder- our clergy, our vestry, the bishop, parish staff, or anyone you know will never reach out to you with unsolicited requests to purchase gift cards, ask for an electronic copy of the church directory, or any other seemingly urgent "*text me, no time to talk*" messages; especially from random phone numbers or email addresses you wouldn't recognize.

Stay vigilant- treat unexpected emails, texts, and calls with caution, especially if they demand immediate action or seek personal information from you.

When in doubt, do without - block the number or email from your contacts. If you aren't sure, don't engage with the person contacting you. Call the church office directly instead.

Helpers Requested for Dinner Theater

Please see the sign up table lists seeking volunteers for the Dinner Theater.

Requesting helpers to Stage Tables, Prep Kitchen Helpers, Dish Washers, & Wine Servers. Contact Michelle Theerman for more information or with any questions.

Weekly Calendar At-A-Glance

Mondays

6:30 pm Play Practice (*Thru Feb*)
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesdays

8:00 am Morning Prayer
2:00 pm Caregivers (*Third Tues*)
5:30 pm Vestry* (*Third Tues*)
6:30 pm Play Practice (*Thru Feb*)

**Vestry in February will meet on the 2nd Tuesday, Feb 10, due to Mardi Gras being the 3rd Tues., Feb 17*

Wednesdays

10:00 am Tea & Thee
6:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II.
Youth Group, Dinner & Classes following

Thursdays

8:00 am Morning Prayer
10:00 am Quilters Group
11:00 am Bible Study—Online or onsite
2:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite I.—St. Luke's
Nursing Center
3:00 pm Friends Anonymous
5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
5:30 pm St. Luke's Board (*Fourth Thurs*)
6:00 pm Spanish Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm Play Practice (*Thru Feb*)

Fridays

10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I.

Saturdays

9:00 am Men of Grace (*First & Third Sat*)
2:00 pm Bingo at St. Luke's (*Second Sat*)
5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II.

Sundays

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I.
9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
9:30 am Exploring the Way
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II.
12:00 pm La Santa Misa en Español
1:30 pm Spanish Service Luncheon

Adding to Calendar

If you have a special event or committee meeting you would like to add to the Grace Church Building Use Calendar, please contact Spencer in the church office to add your event or meeting in the rotation. Doing so ensures the event or meeting is included in weekly service bulletins and the *This Week At Grace* email.

Upcoming Events

Mardi Gras Shrove Tuesday

5:00 pm, Tuesday, February 17

In our Parish House!

Freewill Donation for Pancake & Sausage Dinner. Proceeds support: Hispanic Ministry, Crosslines, Carthage Family Literacy Council & Haiti Mission.

Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, February 18, three planned service opportunities to receive ashes.

Option 1) 7:00 am

Option 2) Noon

Option 3) 6:00 pm

Holy Week 2026: March 29— April 05

Join us for Holy Week Services!

Palm Sunday- 8:00 am & 10:30 am in English, 12:00 pm in Spanish

Services Each Night at 6:00 pm- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (*Tenebrae*)

Maundy Thursday- 6:00 pm in English, 8:00 pm in Spanish

Good Friday- Noon & 6:00 pm in English, 8:00 pm in Spanish

Holy Saturday- 10:30 am Liturgy & 6:00 pm Vigil; Agape Feast to follow Vigil Service

Easter Sunday- 8:00 am & 10:30 am in English, 12:00 pm in Spanish

St. Martha's Guild

Wednesday, March 11, 11:00 am

Ladies of the Parish invited to attend, meeting at Grandma Farmer's Market for lunch
1540 E Fir Rd, Carthage, MO 64836

Ministers of Worship—February

Sun., February 01

8:00 am

Reader & Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

Prayers: Ashley Rouse

Chalice & Server:

10:30 am

OT: Chuck Edds

NT & Chalice: Elaine Wurst

Prayers & Chalice: Austin Rhymer

Cross: Alana Harris

Torches: Vincent Wilkowski & Henry Newport

First Server: Connor Wilkowski

Second Server: Sammy Hess

Acolyte Mentor: Elaine Wurst

Sacristan: Connie Leek

AV: Paige & Jennifer Rhymer

Ushers: Larry & Ruth Hartman

Flower Delivery: Gloria Gubser & Peggy Ralston

Wed., February 04

6:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: AJ Rhymer

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., February 06

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., February 07

9:00 am

Sacristan: Connie Leek

5:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Sacristan: Connie Leek

Sun., February 08

8:00 am

Reader: Jay Thompson

Prayers: Ashley Rouse

Chalice & Server:

Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

10:30 am

OT & Chalice: Andy Lynch

NT: Kathy Laytham

Prayers & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Cross: Kieran Malone

Torches: Elliott Kester & Kennedy Silvers

First Server: Brooklyn Rhymer

Second Server: Owen Hess

Acolyte Mentor: Jennifer Rhymer

Sacristan: Becky Edds

AV: Alana Harris & Elisa White

Ushers: Steve Erwin & Max Hill

Flower Delivery: Zelma Watts & Julie Anderson

Wed., February 11

6:00 pm

Reader: Regina Newport

Chalice: Austin Rhymer

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., February 13

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., February 14

9:00 am

Sacristan: Becky Edds

5:00 pm

Reader: Marcia McGuire

Chalice: Bill Putnam

Sacristan: Becky Edds

Ministers of Worship—February

Sun., February 15

8:00 am

Reader & Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

Prayers: Jay Thompson

Chalice & Server:

10:30 am

OT: Regina Newport

Chalice: Jennifer Rhymer

NT: Leigh Salyer

Prayers & Chalice: Andy Lynch

Cross: Owen Hess

Torches: Kieran Malone & Barrett Cook

First Server: Alana Harris

Second Server: Lincoln Cook

Acolyte Mentor: Elisa White

Sacristan: Elisa White

AV: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Ushers: Spencer & Chris Orr

Flower Delivery: Cathy Thompson

Ash Wednesday, February 18

7:00 am

Reader & Chalice: _____

Sacristan: Beth McDaniel

12:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Sacristan: Connie Leek

6:00 pm

OT: Michelle Theerman

NT: Shirley Gollhofer

Chalice: Jory Mertens & Mark Sponaugle

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., February 20

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., February 21

9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sacristan: Elisa White

5:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Sun., February 22

8:00 am

Reader: Ashley Rouse

Prayers: Mark Sponaugle

Chalice & Server:

Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

10:30 am

OT & Chalice: Ruth Hartman

NT: Michelle Theerman

Prayers & Chalice: Larry Hartman

Cross: Walker Lasley

Torches: Peyton Lynch & Carson Stremke

First Server: Trenton Lynch

Second Server: Barrett Cook

Acolyte Mentor: Elaine Wurst

Sacristan: Beth McDaniel

AV: Brooklyn Rhymer & Mike Robertson

Ushers: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Flower Delivery: Jeanne Goolsby

Wed., February 25

6:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Jon Haffner

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., February 27

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., February 28

9:00 am

Sacristan: All Clean

5:00 pm

Reader: Marcia McGuire

Chalice: Bill Putnam

Sacristan: Beth McDaniel

Ministers of Worship—March

Sun., March 01

8:00 am

Reader & Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

Prayers: Jay Thompson

Chalice:

Server:

10:30 am

OT: Michelle Theerman

NT & Chalice: Elaine Wurst

Prayers & Chalice: Austin Rhymer

Cross: Alana Harris

Torches: Vincent Wilkowski & Henry Newport

First Server: Connor Wilkowski

Second Server: Sammy Hess

Acolyte Mentor: Elisa White

Sacristan: Jennifer Rhymer

AV: Paige & Jennifer Rhymer

Ushers: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Flower Delivery: Gloria Gubser & Peggy Ralston

Wed., March 04

6:00 pm

Reader: AJ Rhymer

Chalice: Austin Rhymer

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., March 06

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., March 07

9:00 am

Sacristan: Jennifer Rhymer

5:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Sacristan: Debby Orr

Sun., March 08~ Daylight Savings Begins

8:00 am

Reader: Jay Thompson

Prayers: Ashley Rouse

Chalice:

Server:

Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

10:30 am

OT: Kathy Laytham

NT & Chalice: Andy Lynch

Prayers & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Cross: Kieran Malone

Torches: Elliott Kester & Kennedy Silvers

First Server: Brooklyn Rhymer

Second Server: Owen Hess

Acolyte Mentor: Jennifer Rhymer

Sacristan: Jennifer Rhymer

AV: Alana Harris & Elisa White

Ushers: Max Hill & Steve Erwin

Flower Delivery: Zelma Watts & Julie Anderson

Wed., March 11

6:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Jennifer Rhymer

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., March 13

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat. March 14

9:00 am

Sacristan: Jeanie Slates

5:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Bill Putnam

Sacristan: Jeanie Slates

Ministers of Worship—March

Sun., March 15—Pilgrimage

8:00 am

Reader & Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

Prayers: Mark Sponaugle

Chalice:

Server:

10:30 am

OT & Chalice: Ruth Hartman

NT: Regina Newport

Prayers & Chalice: Larry Hartman

Cross: Owen Hess

Torches: Kieran Malone & Barrett Cook

First Server: Sammy Hess

Second Server: Lincoln Cook

Acolyte Mentor: Alyssa Hess

Sacristan: Debby Orr

AV: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Ushers: Spencer & Chris Orr

Flower Delivery: Cathy Thompson

Wed., March 18

6:00 pm

Reader: Regina Newport

Chalice: AJ Rhymer

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., March 20

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., March 21

9:00 am

Sacristan: Debby Orr

5:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Michael Goolsby

Sacristan: Jeanie Slates

Sun., March 22—Pilgrimage

8:00 am

Reader: Ashley Rouse

Prayers: Mark Sponaugle

Chalice:

Server:

Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

10:30 am

OT: Kathy Laytham

NT: Chuck Edds

Prayers & Chalice: Larry Hartman

Chalice: Ruth Hartman

Cross: Walker Lasley

Torches: Peyton Lynch & Carson Stremke

First Server: Trenton Lynch

Second Server: Barrett Cook

Acolyte Mentor: Melissa Stremke

Sacristan: Debby Orr

AV: Mike Robertson

Ushers: Dennis Sawyer & Zach Hess

Flower Delivery: Jeanne Goolsby

Wed., March 25

6:00 pm

Reader & Chalice: Jon Haffner

Sacristan: Zelma Watts

Fri., March 27

10:00 am

Reader: Zelma Watts

Server: Mark Jones

Sacristan: Sue Neely

Sat., March 28

9:00 am Palm Cross Folding Party

Sacristan: All Clean & Palm Cross Folding

5:00 pm

Reader: Marcia McGuire

Chalice:

Sacristan: Jeanie Slates

Ministers of Worship—March

Palm Sunday, March 29

8:00 am

Reader: Ashley Rouse

Prayers: Jay Thompson

Chalice:

Server:

Sacristan: Shirley Gollhofer

10:30 am

OT: Leigh Salyer

NT: Michelle Theerman

Prayers & Chalice: Andy Lynch

Chalice: Austin Rhymer

Cross: Larry Hartman

Torches: Ruth Hartman & Elaine Wurst

First Server: Sammy Hess

Second Server: Owen Hess

Acolyte Mentor: Jennifer Rhymer

Sacristan: Debby Orr

AV: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Ushers: Jennifer & Brooklyn Rhymer

Flower Delivery: Jeanne Goolsby

Monday in Holy Week, March 30

6:00 pm

OT: Leigh Salyer

NT & Chalice: Ruth Hartman

Crucifer: Owen Hess

Sacristan: Jennifer Rhymer

AV: Allie Rhymer & Jim Wakefield

Ushers: Spencer & Chris Orr

Tuesday in Holy Week, March 31

6:00 pm

OT: Shirley Gollhofer

NT & Chalice: Mark Sponaugle

Crucifer: Kennedy Silvers

Sacristan: Jeanie Slates

AV: Jennifer & Paige Rhymer

Ushers: Larry & Ruth Hartman

Parish Prayer List

St. Luke's:

Ann Ulmer

Paula Windham

Oak Pointe:

Lida McCulloch

MVH Mt. Vernon:

Tom Huntley

Moberly:

Eric Adams

College View:

Roger Stinnett

Good Shepherd:

Edith Walters

Foxberry Terrace:

Connie Moss

Parishioners:

Tom Flanigan

Marilyn Kelley

Keri Kirby

Jenny Mansfield

Bill Putnam

Amanda Smith

Tracy Wilkowski

Bill Wilson

Current Requests:

Jackie Baskett

Tim Benird

Ann Dickhoff

Larry Ferguson

Mindy Freeman

Carrie Hardaway

Cindy Hoover

Don Hoover

Barbara Johnson

Becky Kendall

Dennis Lane

Russ Leaming

Nathan Martin

Debbie Metcalf

Don Michael

Gracee Misner

Joni Nelson

Steve Nelson

Current Requests:

Celia Osier

Erin Parks

Gary Pieschel

Elder Reyes

Caroline Rootes

Joyce Slater

Andy Smallwood

Doug Studyvin

Donna Underwood

Chet White

Debra

Lisa

Military & First

Responders:

Christian Cook

Knox Dunaway

Will Flanigan

Gary Kalinosky

Tanner Marney

Logan McGinnis

Zander Miska

Chris Orr

Anastasia Painter

Steven Sample

Justin Slates

Nic Smith

Ian Stinnett

Chase Taylor

Pray for our

Traveling Pilgrims

To Egypt & Jordan

March 15-23, 2026

Alana, Allie, Brooklyn,

Alex, Luke, Becky,

Austin, Jennifer,

Fr. Collin, Jay, Elaine,

Madi, Tammy, Marty,

Marilyn, Robin, Jan,

Elisabeth, Elisa.

February

Birthdays

01 Cara Borland, Chris Kang,
Jeanie Slates
02 Grant Lasley
03 Marty Bennett
04 Tracy Rogers
05 Sandy Swingle, Cambry Erdman
06 Jennifer Rhymer
08 Glenna Broadaway,
Charlotte Willingham
09 Peyton Lynch
12 Sheridan Phelps
13 Dorothy Bay, The Rev'd Ted Estes
16 John Wampler, Karen Newport,
Ben Sawyer, AJ Rhymer
17 Susan Ross, Diann Hays,
Emma Slates
18 Dennis Martin, Elizabeth Cook
19 Ann Ulmer, Sharon Hopper
20 Scott Campbell, Piper Pierce,
Savannah Weber
21 Rick Stuart, Sue Neely
22 Quentin & Veronica Sprenkle,
Jim Wakefield, Jeff Lasley, Faith
Escobar
24 Doug Pugh
25 Max Hill
26 Chip Marsden, Scott Sawyer,
Austin Rhymer

Anniversaries

02 Tom & Anita Flanigan
03 John & Margaret Wampler
11 Tony & Pat Leiker
21 Dale & Idell Looney

Altar Flowers Given By:

01-February

The Rev'd Jeff & Chalaine Bell;
Brett Cameron

08-February

Shirley Gollhofer

15-February

Beth & Chris Kang



March

Birthdays

01 Kirby Newport
02 Carolina Martinez
03 Mikey Robertson
04 Cindy Rogers, Loren Erwin,
The Rev'd Jory Mertens
05 Cheryl Hill
06 Mindy Estes, Paula Windham, Melissa Slates
07 Brianna Mertens
08 Pegg Ralston
09 Jon Haffner
10 Ginnie Wallace, Alyssa Hess, Owen Kester
11 Cindy Thompson
13 Carolyn Cole
16 Connie Leek, Catherine Marsden,
Brooklyn Rhymer
17 Angus Sprenkle
18 Dana Frazier, Jeanne Goolsby
19 Heidi Lazo
20 Jay Thompson
21 Becky Edds, Stephanie Palma
23 Betty Goodman, Eve Morris
25 Mariah Marsden
26 Mary Kirby
27 Keri Kirby, Samantha Slates
29 Anne Maschger
31 Catie Platt

Anniversaries

17 Bill & Melissa Stremke
29 Dennis Sawyer & Ginnie Wallace



Daily Readings in February & March 2026

February

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

01: Micah 6:1-8 | 1 Corinth. 1:18-31 | Matt. 5:1-12
02: Malachi 3:1-4 | Hebrews 2:14-18 | Luke 2:22-40
03: Gen. 21:1-21 | Heb. 11:13-22 | John 6:41-51
04: Gen. 22:1-18 | Heb. 11:23-31 | John 6:52-59
05: Gen. 23:1-20 | Heb. 11:32-12:2 | John 6:60-71
06: Gen. 24:1-27 | Heb. 12:3-11 | John 7:1-13
07: Gen. 24:28-38,49 | Heb. 12:12-29 | John 7:14-36

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

08: Isaiah 58:1-9a | 1 Corinth 2:1-12 | Matt 5:13-20
09: Gen. 25:19-34 | Heb. 13:1-16 | John 7:37-52
10: Gen. 26:1-6,12 | Heb. 13:17-25 | John 7:53-8:11
11: Gen. 27:1-29 | Rom. 12:1-8 | John 8:12-20
12: Gen. 27:30-45 | Rom. 12:9-21 | John 8:21-32
13: Gen. 27:46-28 | Rom. 13:1-14 | John 8:33-47
14: Gen. 29:1-20 | Rom. 14:1-23 | John 8:47-59

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

15: Exodus 24:12-18 | 2 Peter 1:16-21 | Matt. 17:1-9
16: Prov. 27:1-6,10-12 | Phili. 2:1-13 | John 18:15-18
17: Prov. 30:1-4,24-33 | Phili 3:1-11 | John 18:28-38
18: Amos 5:6-15 | Heb. 12:1-14 | Luke 18:9-14
19: Hab. 3:1-10 | Phili. 3:12-21 | John 17:1-8
20: Ezek. 18:1-4,25-32 | Phili. 4:1-9 | John 17:9-19
21: Ezek. 39:21-29 | Phili 4:10-20 | John 17:20-26

First Sunday in Lent

22: Gen. 2:15-17 | Romans 5:12-19 | Matt. 4:1-11
23: Gen. 37:1-11 | 1 Cor. 1:1-19 | Mark 1:1-13
24: Acts 1:15-26 | Phili. 3:13b-21 | John 15:1,6-16
25: Gen. 37:25-36 | 1 Cor. 2:1-13 | Mark 1:29-45
26: Gen. 39:1-23 | 1 Cor. 2:14-3:15 | Mark 2:1-12
27: Gen. 40:1-23 | 1 Cor. 3:16-23 | Mark 2:13-22
28: Gen. 41:1-13 | 1 Cor. 4:1-7 | Mark 2:23-3:6

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Second Sunday in Lent

01: Gen. 12:1-4a | Romans 4:1-5,13-17 | John 3:1-17
02: Gen. 41:46-57 | 1 Cor. 4:8-20 | Mark 3:7-19a
03: Gen. 42:1-17 | 1 Cor. 5:1-8 | Mark 3:19b-35
04: Gen. 42:18-28 | 1 Cor. 5:9-6:8 | Mark 4:1-20
05: Gen. 42:29-38 | 1 Cor. 6:12-30 | Mark 4:21-34
06: Gen. 43:1-15 | 1 Cor. 7:1-9 | Mark 4:35-41
07: Gen. 43:16-34 | 1 Cor. 7:10-24 | Mark 5:1-20

Third Sunday in Lent

08: Exodus 17:1-7 | Romans 5:1-11 | John 4:5-42
09: Gen. 44:18-34 | 1 Cor. 7:25-31 | Mark 5:21-43
10: Gen. 45:1-15 | 1 Cor. 7:32-40 | Mark 6:1-13
11: Gen. 45:16-28 | 1 Cor. 8:1-13 | Mark 6:13-29
12: Gen. 46:1-7,28-34 | 1 Cor. 9:1-15 | Mark 6:30-46
13: Gen. 47:1-26 | 1 Cor. 9:16-27 | Mark 6:47-56
14: Gen. 47:27-48:7 | 1 Cor. 10:1-13 | Mark 7:1-23

Fourth Sunday in Lent

15: 1 Samuel 16:1-13 | Eph. 5:8-14 | John 9:1-41
16: Gen. 49:1-28 | 1 Cor. 10:14-11:1 | Mark 7:24-37
17: Gen. 49:29-50 | 1 Cor. 11:17-34 | Mark 8:1-10
18: Gen. 50:15-26 | 1 Cor. 12:1-11 | Mark 8:11-26
19: 2 Sam. 7:4,8-16 | Romans 4:13-18 | Luke 2:41-52
20: Exod. 2:1-22 | 1 Cor. 12:27-13:3 | Mark 9:2-13
21: Exod. 2:23-3:15 | 1 Cor. 13:1-13 | Mark 9:14-29

Fifth Sunday in Lent

22: Ezekiel 37:1-14 | Romans 8:6-11 | John 11:1-45
23: Exod. 4:10-31 | 1 Cor. 14:1-19 | Mark 9:30-41
24: Exod. 5:1-6:1 | 1 Cor. 14:20-33a | Mark 9:42-50
25: Isaiah 7:10-14 | Hebrews 10:4-10 | Luke 1:26-38
26: Exod. 7:25-8:19 | 2 Cor. 3:7-18 | Mark 10:17-31
27: Exod. 9:13-35 | 2 Cor. 4:1-12 | Mark 10:32-45
28: Exod. 10:21-11:8 | 2 Cor. 4:13-18 | Mark 10:46-52

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

29: Isaiah 50:4-9a | Phili. 2:5-11 | Matt. 26:14-27:66
30: Isaiah 42:1-9 | Hebrews 9:11-15 | John 12:1-11
31: Isaiah 49:1-7 | 1 Corin. 1:18-31 | John 12:20-36