



## 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*

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

## 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 básicamente 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

### 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

### **Wed., March 04**

6:00 pm

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*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:* Mark Sponaugle

*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

### **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

### **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:* Jay Thompson

*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

### **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:* Shirley Gollhofer

*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

### **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 Sponaule

*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 Sprengle,  
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 Peggy 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 Sprengle  
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

## March

### 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