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# Herald of Grace



# *A Message from Pastor Ramey*

## Listening Posts through February . . .

We have been talking about our upcoming “Listening Posts” since the beginning of the year. At the beginning of February, the posts will begin. A “listening post” is a small group gathering of ten (10) or less members meeting with the pastor for 60-90 minutes. The purpose for these posts is for Pr. Ramey to hear the stories of Grace members in order to ascertain (a) the “what was” (history) and (b) determine the “what is” (culture) of the congregation for the sake gaining a “reality check” about the mission and ministry of Grace Lutheran Church. All statements will be recorded, compiled, and significant “theme” will be shared with the congregation sometime in March.

### Prompting Questions

As you think about participating in a “listening post,” you may think to yourself, “What does he want to hear?” To help participants think about what they would like to share, the following “prompting questions” have been posted. They are in no particular order and you may elect to disregard them; they are offered as starting points for you to think through what you desire to say.

- [1] **Do I believe God’s best blessings are *before us* or *behind us*?** Do we have a future or has God moved on?
- [2] **What are my *fond*est memories about Grace? What are my *sad*dest memories?** As I reflect on my time at Grace, what brings a smile to my face or tears to my eyes?
- [3] **How do we view and handle conflict that arises due to the differences we bring to the table?** Are there any *unwritten rules* about how we deal (or, don’t) with differences of opinion or people we disagree with?
- [4] **What needs to *die* in order for us to *live*?** Are there programs or ideas that may have been effective in the past, but now are limiting the health and growth of our congregation?
- [5] **Does our church view the changing culture as a *problem to be solved* or as an *opportunity to be embraced*?** What has changed in Midland over the past ten years? What kind of impact has it had on our community? Congregation?
- [6] **What is the difference between *doing church* or *being church*?** Do I feel that church is something I attend, or is it a lifestyle to be practiced?
- [7] **Do I feel confident inviting my non-churched friends to Grace congregation?** Why would you say “yes”? Why would you say “no”? What are the strengths of our church family that could benefit others? What are things that may hinder our ministry?

The “sign up” book is located outside the COMMUNITY ROOM. Please stop by and sign up for one of the open time slots. Each session is limited to ten (10) people; sign up one person per line. There are “reminder cards” (orange) for you to put down your date and time for the Listening Post you’re attending.

**SIGN UP NOW**



**February Lectors\***  
(\*Readers of the Scriptures)

**February 2**  
Hope Molina

**February 9**  
Bryson Powell

**February 16**  
Gina Zimmerman

**February 23**  
Tim Benton

**WORSHIP**

**February 2, 2025**  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:3  
“When Necessary, Use Words” (Luke 4:31-44)

**February 9, 2025**  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20  
“Let’s Go Fishin’!” (Luke 5:1-11)

**February 16, 2025**  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-8; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 16:12-20  
“Blessings and Woes” (Luke 6:17-26)

**February 23, 2025**  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Genesis 45:3-15; Psalm 103:1-13; 1 Corinthians 15:21-28,30-42  
“Getting Along with Others” (Luke 6:27-38)

# Thoughts from Ms. Carol



Dear Bibleville Families,

Have you ever made these statements?

- I didn't know anything about that!*
- I'm always the last to know!*
- I've never seen that before!*
- I had no idea we were supposed to be doing that!*

I'm talking about Bibleville Homework and its purpose in your family. Bibleville homework began over a year ago to give parents a way to interact with their children and share what they were learning in Bibleville. The homework is part of the Enduring Faith Curriculum we use in Bibleville. Each take-home sheet includes the Bible reference to the story, the Bible Verse for the week, a Scripture Snapshot of the story and a section called, "Taking it Home." This is **YOUR** homework to do with them. There's a question you can talk about "On the Go," one for at "Mealtimes," and one "Before Bed." There's also a simple activity to do sometime during the week if you have time. Building faith begins in the home and this is a great way to show your kids how important that is to you and your family.

Now that you know what Bibleville Homework is all about, what will you do? Please don't let the dog get it!

Building Faith in Our Kids Together,

Ms. Carol

The collage includes a sample homework sheet titled "A DEACON DELIVERS" with sections for Bible Verse, Scripture Snapshot, and Taking it Home. Next to it is a handwritten note that reads: "Faith COMES FROM hearing AND hearing comes through the Word of Christ ROMANS 10:17". At the bottom right is a cartoon dog with a speech bubble that says "HOMEWORK".

# *Our Baptismal Journey*

## **“Christ’s Life, and Love, and Light”**

Open our eyes Lord to see Your love’s intent,  
To know with minds and hearts its depth and height  
May thankfulness be days in service spent  
Reflection of Christ’s life, and love, and light. (*LSB* 788)

As stewards enter the month of February, it is fitting that we look at the last stanza of the stewardship hymn, “Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness” (*LSB* 788). It is in these words that we see that the heart of stewardship is indeed love. Love has flowed from our Lord to us in the person and work of Jesus Christ. This love is then to flow from us to others. Being a conduit of love is really the central task of what it means to be a steward. The Lord entrusts us with His love that reconciles us to Himself, so that we might be stewards of the Gospel reconciliation that is freely given through us to those around us.

If we don’t see this love from God to us, then through us, to others, our eyes will be closed not just to the needs of those around us. They will also be closed to the very heart of the Gospel itself. This is why the hymnist prays that the Lord would “Open our eyes, Lord, to see Your love’s intent, To know with minds and hearts its depth and height.”

Only when we are immersed in God’s Holy Word, washed in Holy Baptism’s life-giving water and fed on the holy, precious, body and blood of Jesus in the Holy Supper, will the Spirit be able to open our eyes to see the Lord’s loving intent for us, and those we know and love. Sin blinds us. It makes us think that we are the center of our world, and our pleasure is the key.

In the Word, the Lord shows us the depth and height of His love. The depth of that love is what moved Him from His throne in heaven into our world. There He would don our human flesh, walk the dusty roads of Palestine, and set His face toward Jerusalem. Once there we get to see the height of His love, as He is elevated on a Roman cross to die a death that we deserve. But that would not be the end. He would be lowered into a tomb for three days. On that third day we then see the heights of love ascended to in His resurrection. This resurrection is already ours too!

The depth and height of this love poured out on us by the Holy Spirit then is distributed through us to others. Christ’s servant love is shown in our servant love. The hymn utters the prayer of every Christian steward:

May thankfulness be days in service spent  
Reflection of Christ’s life, and love, and light.

This is the task for which stewards were originally created. Bearing the image of creation and redemption, we reflect Christ’s love to those around us. The light of Christ shining through us to others is the true stewardship to which we are called. It takes place in our homes. It is lived out in our workplaces and classrooms. As we bear the life, love and light received in Word and Sacrament, we carry it out in service to our neighbor and for the glory of God!

Forgive us, Lord, when our stewardship of thankfulness is shallow or lacking! Fill us with Your life, love and light! Not just for us, but through us to those we know and love, that they may know Your life, love and light for them!

– LCMS Stewardship Ministry: [lcms.org/stewardship](https://www.lcms.org/stewardship)

*Coming Soon - Don't Forget to Sign Up*

**YOU'RE INVITED  
TO THE**

**FATHER - DAUGHTER  
SOCK HOP  
GRACE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**FEBRUARY 7  
6 00 - 7 30**  
RSVP  
432-638-4153  
OR SIGN THE PINK SHEET

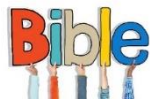


**The ECP continues to GROW in Grace!**

**Upcoming Important Dates:**

- February 5 – 6 Puppet Chapel
- February 16 – 22 – 2025 – 2026 Registration for Grace Church Members
- February 17 – NO SCHOOL – President’s Day**
- February 20 – 21 NO SCHOOL – Early Childhood Conference**
- February 24 -28 – 2025 – 2026 Registration for current ECP Families
- March 3 – 2025 – 2026 Open Registration

**A Special Thank You to Victoria for her help and friendship with the ECP!  
We are thankful for you and everything you do!**



Feb. 3 – 7: Widow’s Mite

God loves a cheerful giver.  
1 Corinthians 9:7  
GROW & GIVE!

Feb. 10 – 14: Jesus teaches us  
not to worry

Rejoice in the Lord always.  
Philippians 4:4  
GROW while trusting in all things!

Feb. 18 – 19: Jesus stops the storm

Remember the Lord who is great & awesome.  
Nehemiah 4:14  
GROW in awe!

Feb. 24 – 28: Jesus heals the lame  
man through the roof

We have...the forgiveness of sins.  
Colossians 1:14  
GROW in understanding!

# Midweek Ministry

Bible Bunch through K – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sharon Burks, Carol Massie  
 Faith Formation 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Stacy Baker, Lisa Dalager  
 Pre-Confirmation 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Lauren Schwalbach, Jodie Hawkins  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Parlor – Pastor Ramey  
 Youth (Financial Peace), High School – Ryan Hamilton  
 Adult Bible Study, All Ages – Library



## Dinner



## Wednesday Meals for February

Join us for the Wednesday Meals. There's always great food and fellowship. Meals start at **5:00pm and end at 6:00pm**. Show your appreciation with a free-will offering to help cover the expenses. All meals include drinks, salad & desserts.

- Feb. 05**     **Hamburger Steaks**
- Feb. 12**     **Hot Dogs**
- Feb. 19**     **Chicken Enchiladas**
- Feb. 26**     **Lasagna**

Please make sure to sign up for dinner *each week* on the **PINK SHEET** so we can prepare enough food for everyone.

## 2025 FLOWER CHART



Thank you EVERYONE for filling in the **NEW 2025 Flower Chart**. It is located on the Grace bulletin board in the east hallway, across from the Community Room. **The flowers are still \$50/vase**. Please fill out an envelope, place payment inside and turn it in either in the **offering plate** or on **Victoria's desk** no later than Monday preceding your flower date to get the dedication in the Worship Folder on the day your flowers are on the altar.

**Make checks payable to Grace Altar Guild.**

**Please note there is a new place to check on the envelope at the bottom if you would like to pick your flowers up by Tuesday morning.**



# What's Going On At Grace

## Sunday's Divine Service – 10:30 am

If you are not able to be in the Lord's house on Sunday, you may request a CD and DVD copy of the divine service from Victoria in the Church Office. You may also listen to the previous Sunday's divine service via our website, [www.gracelutheranmidland.org](http://www.gracelutheranmidland.org). It is usually uploaded on the following Monday.

## Voters' Assembly

The Voters will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> after the Divine Service. All voting members are reminded of their privilege and responsibility. Lunch will be served.



**The Columbarium** is fully functional and there are several niches available. Engravings are also available. Engravings have been done on the niches occupied. If you would like to purchase a niche in the Columbarium, please see Victoria in the Church office for the forms.

## Pillow Pal Party



**Our FIRST Pillow Pal Party for 2025 will be Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> following the divine service in the Community Room. There is always a need for our pillows, as more diagnoses are happening.**

**No experience is needed. If you can tie a knot, write out one of the prayer cards that are attached to each pillow, or pray over a pillow, you're in!**

**We are blessed to assist the Breast Cancer of Midland.**



## Thank You Merle Raven for serving in February

A teller assists Jim Raven (Grace's Financial Secretary), in counting the tithes collected after Sunday service. It normally takes about one hour.

*No prior training is needed.*

Jim will show you on the spot how to help, and your presence serves as an important "control" in ensuring more than one person is present while tithes are counted.

***Tellers are needed for 2025!***

***Please sign up on the PINK SHEET  
In your weekly worship bulletin.***

Check your calendars & prayerfully consider when you can serve.

## Grace Quilters News



Our Quilters do such a fantastic job! We are always looking for new faces to come in and work with us. The best part is that there is no experience needed. The ladies continue their "labor of love" on **Thursdays from 9 am – Noon** in the Community Room. Stop by to see what all the excitement is about. Contact Margaret Cloyd 432-638-3358 or Gina Zimmerman 432-553-2263 if you have any questions.

## The prayer focus for February is the Business Administration Board

*Ryan Hamilton – Chair*

*Sharon Burks, Aaron Hobratchk, & Gina Zimmerman*





**KFC Valentine Service Project**

**February 9th**

**11:30 - 1:30**

**Fellowship Hall**

We will make Valentine Goodie Boxes  
for children in the Pediatric Ward at  
Midland Memorial Hospital

**PIZZA**

**GAMES**

**FEBRUARY  
YOUTH  
EVENTS**



**JR High  
Focal Point**



**GO KARTS  
GREEN ACRES  
FEBRUARY 23  
6:00 - 7:30**

**HS Focal Point**



**LASER TAG  
CINERGY  
FEBRUARY 23  
6:00 - 7:30**





## G.R.A.C.E. Connections

Stay connected to the Word and your family at Grace!

We currently have 2 active Connection Groups at Grace.

**Growing in Grace** Meets Wednesday during Midweek Ministry hour in the Library.

**Men's Breakfast Connection** Leader is Ryan Hamilton. Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at Higher Grounds Coffee on Andrews Highway from 6:45am – 7:30am. Topics will vary.

**G.R.A.C.E. Connections** are the Grace congregation in mission. They are groups of 4 to 12 people who come together and are intentionally led in the mission statement of our congregation:

† **Sharing God's Grace**

† **Living His Word**

† **Making Disciples**

The Core Values of G.R.A.C.E. Connections are:

- **G**rowing...by reaching out, *witnessing*, and forming new groups
  - **R**elating...and *connecting* with each other as the body of Christ
  - **A**cting...in Christian *service* and mission
  - **C**aring...and *praying* for each other and the world
  - **E**nriching...personal growth and spiritual transformation through *Bible study*
- Satan seeks to divide to destroy. Stay **CONNECTED**. Be **CONNECTED**.  
Be a part of a G.R.A.C.E. Connection!

## New Officers Installed



Officers and Board Chairmen for Grace Lutheran were installed in the Divine Service on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

President	Thomas Wolfmueller
Vice President	Josh Jones
Treasurer	Aaron Hobratschk
Secretary	Larissa Keller
At Large	Will Krueger
At Large	Tim Benton

### Board Chairs

Dennis Wehmeyer - Elders
Ryan Hamilton – Business Admin.
Vicki Byars – Congregational Life
CYFLM - Open
Early Childhood – Sandra Parsley
Facilities – Gary Parsley
Outreach - Open



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays

Andrew Hobratschk	02/01
Angel Naila	02/01
James T. Hill	02/01
Sawyer Dalager	02/02
Rachel Schimank	02/03
Megan Mendoza	02/08
Pastor Mike Ramey	02/11
Tiffani Hamilton	02/14
Lenae Beran	02/14
Henry Wolfmueller	02/16
William Wolfmueller	02/16
Dennis Wehmeyer	02/17
Laurie Kober	02/18
Macy Dalager	02/18
Mason Pokky	02/18
Nicol Benton	02/18
Fred Norton	02/19
Tim Benton	02/20
Doris Anderson	02/21
Claire Schimank	02/21
Fred Chaney	02/23
Molly Hawkins	02/27



## Baptismal Birthdays

Dennis Wehmeyer	02/01
Gus Schwalbach	02/09
Madeline Gray	02/14
Sawyer Dalager	02/15
Bill Hartzoge	02/16
Dawn Martin	02/18
Stephanie Mitchell	02/19
Bonnie Traugher	02/19
Bruce Boyles	02/20
Chan Price	02/25
Macy Dalager	02/26



## Anniversaries

Thomas & Michelle Wolfmueller	02/17
18 yrs.	
Mark & Rachel Pelletier	02/20
27 yrs.	
Kevin & Ami Gohr	02/22
33 yrs.	
Steve & Teresa DeShaw	02/26
4 yrs.	



# Rowan wins Comfort Dog Bank



The Bibleville kids spent the last year collecting Comfort Dog “tags.” Each week they would bring their offerings which went to the LCC Comfort Dog Ministry. They would receive one dog tag for each dollar they brought. The kids also received coins to put in the interactive dog bank when they brought offering. Mrs. Sharon kept track of who had which dog tags and what dog tags they still needed. Rowan collected all 50 dogs plus some duplicates! Congratulations for always remembering your offering and dog tag ring! Rowan took home the interactive dog bank as her prize!

# Sunday School Offering - 2024



The 2024 Sunday School Offering was designated for the Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dog Ministry. A check was sent to them in January for \$3,290.98



**Our 2025 Sunday School Offering will go to Rays of Hope.**  
 Check the display in the Social Hall by the Coffee Machine to see how we're doing throughout the year and don't forget your Sunday School Offering each Sunday!



**HopeWorks**



HopeWorks is a peer support group whose aim is to guide children through the various stages of grief. This program meets weekly for ten consecutive weeks. Participants are placed in groups of similar ages and circumstance.

**Tools of Expression (TOE)**



Through the use of the creative arts, these classes focus on peer support, expression of feelings and acquiring new coping skills. TOE classes are held April through August of each year and the artistic theme rotates monthly.

**Creative Wednesdays**



Creative Wednesdays are a great way for the family to spend time together in a relaxed setting and explore the creative offerings at Rays of Hope. Every Wednesday from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. our building is open for making crafts, playing music and other fun activities. This is an open house time and no pre-registration is required.

**Family Workshop**



Special events for families to come together and enjoy Back-to-School festivities, Holiday celebrations, Summer Fun Nights and other special occasions.

**Fostering Hope**



Fostering Hope is a peer support group specifically for children who are currently in or have previously been involved in the foster care system. This program meets for six consecutive weeks.

**MAD (Music Art & Drama) Camp**



MAD Camp utilizes the expressive arts of Music, Art and Drama as tools of exploration and coping. Each day of camp includes opening and closing activities, discussion time and snacks.

**Journey Camp**



Journey Camp is exclusively for children and teens who have previously attended the Hope Works course. This camp is designed as the next level in their grief work. This week of exploration introduces campers to the Forest of Fear, Challenge Mountain, the Ocean of Emotion, the City of Change, the Jungle of Anger and the Island of Hope.

**Teen Camp**



Teen Camp is a special time, just for our teens. Adolescents who are rising 7th through 12th graders are invited to attend. We have designed this camp to navigate the work of grief as the participants are also navigating puberty and the rituals of growing up.

**Learn more - Watch the Video**



Volunteers are vital to the success of Rays of Hope. We always welcome those who have a love and a heart for children. If you wish to make a tremendous difference in the lives of children of the Permian Basin, then make the decision to join us. Please call (432) 684-KIDS today to learn about volunteer opportunities.



# Racing to the Pool of Bethesda

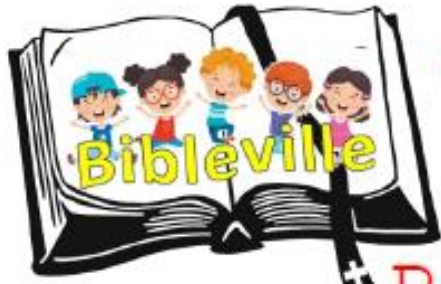


## Adventure Zone

### Games







# Jesus Heals at the Pool of Bethesda



The sick and the lame wait for the pool to bubble.



The pool begins to bubble!



Jesus asks a lame man lying by the pool if he wants to walk.

## Drama in Bibleville



Jesus tells the lame man to stand up, pick up his mat and go.



The Jewish Leaders do not like Jesus healing on the Sabbath.



I can walk!



# JR. HIGH FOCAL POINT



THE JUNIOR HIGH FOCAL POINT YOUTH GROUP SPENT THEIR SUNDAY NIGHT STAYING OUT OF THE GUTTERS (BECAUSE WE RAISED THE BUMPERS) AND INTO SOME PIZZA AND DEVOTION! OUR DEVOTION WAS FROM LUKE 5 WHERE WE DISCUSSED, "WHAT IS A FOLLOWER?" THANK YOU ALL FOR JOINING US AND WE'LL SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

# CHATTER

TEXAS DISTRICT CEF NEWSLETTER

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January 2025

*Congratulations*



## Loan Payoff Celebration at Faith in Georgetown

On Sunday, December 22, Texas District Church Extension Fund joined Pastor Walt Pohland and Pastor John Selle in celebrating the paying off of their loan for \$3.9 million!

*This accomplishment is a testament to the unwavering commitment and generosity of each of you who faithfully contributed through prayer, tithes and special offerings. Steadfast support has allowed Faith to not only eliminate a financial burden but also to open new doors for future ministry initiatives.*

*We are deeply thankful for the spirit of unity and shared vision between Faith Lutheran Church and CEF. As we move forward, let's continue to nurture this strong bond of faith, love, and support, walking together through life's joys and opportunities.*

~ Becca Jones, Texas CEF Executive Director



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*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. ~ Proverbs 3:5-6*



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

# Pray For Us Calendar

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES — FEBRUARY 1-29

"Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God," Jesus says in Luke 18:16. God wants all His children to have faith in Him, yet sin and brokenness permeate the lives of His people. Children are orphaned, and families are ripped apart. Over the years, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has reached out to care for God's precious children through the mercy ministries of congregations, missionaries and Recognized Service Organizations (RSOs).

*Remember God's love and will for children and families as you pray:*

- 1.** for all Christians, that they would help and defend the orphan and widow, the poor and lonely, the helpless and oppressed.
- 2.** The purification of Mary and the Presentation of Our Lord: for mothers, that they might rejoice in their vocation and raise their children in the Lord.
- 3.** for adoption and foster-care agency workers, that they would make good and right decisions concerning what is best for all involved — enabling them to find proper families and resources to

proper funding, food, resources and godly caregivers so that they can provide the best care possible to the children entrusted to them.

- 8.** for orphanage workers, that they might be refreshed by Your Word and be good role models and teachers as they provide loving care to those in their charge.
- 9.** for all orphans, that they might find Christian families who will nurture them with the love and knowledge of Christ.
- 10.** Silas, Fellow Worker of St. Peter and St. Paul, thank God for Silas, lesser known, but essential to the work of the Kingdom: for all church workers, that all might work as God calls them to serve Him.
- 11.** for all foster children, that they might find peace among the chaos as they wait for a proper family to be established.

**12.** for all who suffer from domestic violence, that the Lord would deliver them from danger and comfort them with His peace and forgiveness.

- 13.** Aquila, Priscilla, Apollos, thank God for these examples of earnest learning and meditation in the Word of God.
- 14.** Valentine, Martyr, pray that the love of Christ might be the love celebrated above all loves.
- 15.** Philemon and Onesimus: for all Christian workers and those in authority, that all might serve God in their vocations.
- 16.** Philipp Melancthon (birth), Confessor: thank God for the Augsburg Confession and the other writings of Melancthon that proclaim the truth of the Gospel.
- 17.** for all caregivers, that they might raise children in the truth faith.

## FEBRUARY Pray For Us Calendar

**18.** Martin Luther, Doctor and Confessor: thank God for Luther's proclamation of salvation by grace through faith for Christ's sake.

**19.** *for children and parents who are deaf*, that they might know Jesus's voice and be filled with His peace.

**20.** *for widows*, that they might know Christ as their faithful bridegroom who will supply for their needs as they live their lives in prayer and purity.

**21.** *for the homeless*, that they might find a warm and safe place to lay their head, food for their bellies, hope for the future and rest in the love of Christ.

**22.** *for the unemployed*, that they might find suitable and fulfilling employment, fair wages and encouraging support.

**23.** Polycarp of Smyrna, Pastor and Martyr: thank God for those who continued the teachings of Jesus and gave their lives for the Gospel.

**24.** St. Matthias, Apostle: thank God for his quiet witness and those who gave their lives for the Gospel without any recognition.

**25.** *for the poor*, that they might find true riches in the Word of God and be blessed by the generosity of others.

**26.** *for children who are missing*, that the Lord would keep them from danger, restore them to their families and give them His peace and protection.

**27.** *for peace among siblings*, that the Lord would help them love and support each other throughout their lives, instead of being divided by bickering and jealousy.

**28.** *for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities*, that they might be treated with respect and love as beloved children of God.


**29.** *for families*, that they might attend worship to hear the Word and receive the Sacraments.



Congregations and individuals are invited to copy these pages for newsletters or other distribution. Download at [lcms.org/prayforus](http://lcms.org/prayforus) or call 888-843-6267 to request a copy.



# February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Elders</b> Josh Jones Brent Keezee Ushers Todd Byars Mac Hall Steve DeShaw Pete Lutholm	<b>Altar Guild</b> Michelle Wolfmuller  <b>Teller</b> Merie Raven				<b>Pastor Ramey's Listening Posts begin tomorrow.</b>  <b>LP = Listening Posts</b>	<b>10:00 LP #1</b>
2 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service w/Communion 11:45 Voters' Assembly <b>2:00 LP #2</b> <b>Deadline for Life Center Donations</b>	3 <b>6:30 LP #3</b>	4 <b>10:00 LP #4</b> 2:30 Mission Agape	5 10:00 Puppet Chapel 5:00 Meal – Hamburger Steak 6:00 Joyful Chorus 6:00 Midweek Ministry	6 10:00 Puppet Chapel 1:00 Quilters	7 6:00 Father/Daughter Sock Hop	8 <b>10:00 LP #4</b>
9 8:00 Elder's Meeting 9:15: Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service 11:30 KFC Valentine Service Project <b>12:00 LP #5</b>	10 <b>6:30 LP #6</b>	11 <b>1:00 LP #7</b>	12 6:45 Men's Breakfast Conn. 5:00 Meal – Hot Dogs 6:00 Joyful Chorus 6:00 Midweek Ministry	13 <b>10:00 LP #8</b> 1:00 Quilters	14 <b>2:00 pm</b> 	15 <b>10:00 LP #9</b>
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# Grace Prays~~~~~2025

We continue to pray for the following:

- Wisdom for our nation’s leaders.
- Strength and commitment in tending our baptismal journey.
- For the ministry of our ECP and the families it blesses.
- For our congregation’s leaders, the Spirit would guide their work.
- For our congregation, each member would see that he/she is a vital element for our mission and ministry as a church.
- For the victims of the wildfires in Southern California and the safety of all the emergency responders serving and protecting them.

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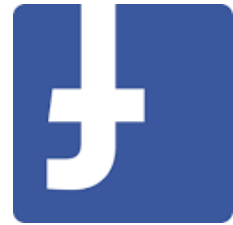
## **OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

- ❖ Mike Barbian, Cimarron Place
- ❖ Charles Colgan, Ashton Medical Lodge
- ❖ Jerry Damm, Legacy Ranch
- ❖ Eleanor Dillenburg
- ❖ Georgi Rushing

## **ILL OR RECOVERING**

- ❖ Susan Johnson (Virginia DeBerry’s mom) went home on 1/22 after removing her left kidney from cancer.
- ❖ Chuck Wolfmueller (Thomas’ father) is at MD Anderson. He had surgery to stop the bleeding on 1/17.

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