

TIMOTHY'S EPISTLE

February 2023



DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday Feb 11	9 am—11:30 am —Planning Forum 3—6 pm—Craft Day
Sunday Feb 12	SOUPER BOWL Sunday 12 Noon—POT LUCK LUNCH
Feb 20—24	Winter Break
Feb. 28	Ladies Lunch Bunch

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday's	8:30, 11 am— SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES
Sunday's	9:45 am—Adult Bible Classes /Sunday School
Wednesday's	10 am—Word on Wednesday Bible Study / Pastor 5:30 pm—Confirmation Class
Friday's	12 Noon—4 pm—Card Playing

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Pastor's Corner

February Newsletter 2023

Can you believe that it's already February? We just got through Advent and Christmas! This means Lent is just around the corner. Ash Wednesday is February 22.

The theme for this year's Lenten series is very simple, "Repentance." Lent is THE penitential season that focuses our attention on the "WHY?" of Jesus' life, suffering and death. Jesus came to be the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" John 1:29. He died for the sins of the world. Most importantly he suffered and died to take away YOUR sins (and mine). It's when we contemplate the enormous love of God that motivated him to give his only son for us, that we come to lament and mourn our sins and shortcomings. Our salvation was costly, not for us, but for Jesus. Yet Jesus was willing to pay the price to bring us back to God, to conquer death itself so that we can have eternal life with him.

The following is a synopsis of the scripture readings and themes for each Wednesday in Lent.

Ash Wednesday, February 22

Readings: Jonah 3:1-10, Romans 5:6-11, Luke 5:27-32

Preaching Theme:

The pharisees were upset with Jesus for calling Matthew the tax collector as his disciple and going to eat at his house. Jesus came to call and draw "sinners" to himself so that he could forgive them. This is why he said, "I have not come to call the righteous to repentance, but sinners" (Luke 5:32) The problem we face is not recognizing our sin and the need for repentance and forgiveness. Through God's Word we are brought to hear the call to come back to the Lord and in humble repentance receive his forgiveness.

Wednesday, March 1

Readings: 2 Kings 20:1-6, 1 Corinthians 15:51-57, Luke 13:1-9

Preaching Theme:

In the parable of the Barren Fig Tree Jesus demonstrates God's patience with us sinners. The Fig tree is

Given time and tended to by the gardener. In the same way sinners on earth are given time to repent. Even though we are given time to repent we should not use that time for complacency, thinking the end will never come.

Wednesday, March 8

Readings: Ezekiel 34:7-16, Revelation 7:9-17, Luke 15:1-10

Preaching Theme:

The parables of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin demonstrate that repentance doesn't so much depend on human effort, but on God's effort to "bring back his sheep" to return his lost sheep to the sheepfold. We shouldn't think we are saved because "we" repented. We should see our repentance as being drawn away from sin and to God, by God through the love of the Son.

Wednesday, March 15

Readings: 2 Samuel 12:1-15, Acts 9:1-19, Luke 15:11-32

Preaching Theme:

The parable of the Prodigal shows how God receives back his wayward children, no matter how far they may have strayed. The example of the older son is a warning to us not to see ourselves as deserving anything. As we shall find out in the example of Jonah, we dare not think we are better than others and that they deserve punishment for their sins, but we don't.

Wednesday, March 22

Readings: Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 16:19-31

Preaching Theme:

The story of the Rich Man and Lazarus highlights the necessity of "being in God's Word." The rich man paid no attention to God's Word during his lifetime and subsequently had no faith and went to the place of torment. He begs Abraham to send (Cont. Page 8)



*Kristin Freeman,
Preschool
Director*

**ECE Mission and
Ministry State-
ment**

At Timothy Lutheran Preschool, we believe that “children are a gift from God; they are His reward.” (Psalm 127:3)

Timothy Lutheran Preschool is a ministry of Timothy Lutheran Church. Its mission is to serve children and families by sharing Jesus’ love with them through an academically excellent Christian Education in a safe, loving environment.

Preschool News

National Lutheran Schools Week January 22-28

National Lutheran Schools Week provides our network of more than 1,800 LCMS preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God’s work among us in Lutheran schools.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus’ amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve. Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God’s love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

“Making Disciples for Life” is the theme for the 2023 National Lutheran Schools Week celebration. The associated scripture verse is Matthew 28:18-20 which says:

“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’”



Making Disciples for Life  NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

We celebrated the kick-off to National Lutheran Schools Week at Timothy on January 22nd at the 11:00 a.m. service. Fourteen students worshipped with us and the children sang three songs led by our music teacher, Ms. Barb. The children were adorable and many were wearing their TLP t-shirts! Many thanks to those of you who welcomed these families!

Our children had a blast with our "Spirit Week" fun in honor of NLS Week as we wore our Timothy t-shirts on Chapel days, dressed wild and wacky on Wednesday, became a "Superhero" on Thursday and wore fun hats on Friday! We are blessed to have over 82 families in our preschool with 87 children that attend throughout the week. We are so very appreciative of this ministry here in Woodstock and are excited to launch year #38 in the 2023-24 school year. Speaking of which.....Registration for the 2023-24 school year is underway and spots are filling fast with only a few remaining. We are so very grateful to continue to serve the community of Woodstock with this ministry for another year. Thank you for all of your love and support and allowing us the opportunity to share God's good news 5-days a week here. If you would like to register your child, grandchild, friend or neighbor, please contact me.

Love truly grows here!

Grace and Peace,

Kristin Freeman
Preschool Director

Preschool Happenings

Jan. 22-28	Spirit Week: National Lutheran Schools Week
Feb. 13 & 14	Valentine's Celebrations
February 20-24	No School: Winter Break

Staff Spotlight

Name: Jen Britton

Class: Assistant in Kindergarten

Years at Timothy: 6 years

Birthday: August 4

Where did you grow up: Connecticut

Who lives in your House: Husband, Jim; two kids, Libby and Josh; a dog, Skittles

Favorite Movie: Napoleon Dynamite

Favorite Place to Visit: Boston

One "Bucket List" item: Skiing in Colorado

Why do you like teaching at Timothy Lutheran Preschool?

I love being a part of such a wonderful ministry and how it feels like a family.







Pastor B (Cont.)

Lazarus to his five brothers because if they saw someone from the dead, they would repent but Abraham responds 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Wednesday, March 29

Readings: Psalm 51, Romans 2:5-16, Matthew 15:15-20

Preaching Theme:

Our final midweek Lenten theme gets to the "heart of the matter" as Jesus says in Matthew 15:19 "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, acts of adultery, other immoral sexual acts, thefts, false testimonies, and slanderous statements." We need to be brought to the realization that repentance includes ALL sins of THOUGHT/DESIRE and not just word and deed.



SAVE THE DATE: LWML is hosting Elizabeth Ratliff, missionary to Zambia, on Saturday, 2/18/23, 10 am, in Fellowship Hall. Make plans to join us for an update on her mission and hear how your tool donations are making a difference in those she serves!

THANK YOU FROM ZAMBIA – there is a short video thanking our congregation for the many, many tools we sent to Zambia last year. Go to the church website, TLCwoodstock.org, and click on the "News" tab to view the video.



The days are getting longer, and the time is getting closer to our Garden Getaway Women's Retreat at Forrest Hills Resort, Dahlonega on **March 10-12**. The retreat will give us the opportunity to have Bible study, fellowship, fun and relaxation with our fellow Christian sisters. Total cost for the retreat will be \$284 per person. All payments must be made by Feb. 19. There is still space available and a couple of scholarships are available – contact Linda Basler for info. The cost of the retreat includes 2 nights lodging with hot tub availability and 4 meals. There will be some free time Saturday afternoon, so shopping in Dahlonega is a great possibility.

Christian Education	
<p>“Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so”</p> <p>Acts 17-11</p>	
<u>Enduring Faith Bible Study</u>	<u>Upcoming Events</u>
<p>Adults, Youth, and Children are invited to join Pastor B in the Sanctuary for an opening</p> <p>Each age group then has a breakout session for 30 minutes then followed by a short closing in the Sanctuary with Pastor B</p> <p><u>Upcoming Lessons</u></p> <p>02/05/2023 Adam and Eve</p> <p>02/12/2023 God's Covenant with Abram</p> <p>02/19/2023 Isaac is Born</p> <p>02/26/2023 Abraham and Isaac</p>	<p><u>Vacation Bible School</u></p> <p>If you would like to help with planning and execution of this year's VBS, please let us know!</p>
<u>Study of the Gospel of John</u>	<u>Sunday School Offering</u>
<p>Studying with Pastor Porter in the Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Need a Lutheran Study Bible? Please let</p>	<p>Special thanks to all Sunday School classes for their generous giving!</p> <p>We will be distributing our offering soon to</p>
<p>“And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.</p> <p>John 1:1</p>	
<p>“The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.”</p> <p>-Isaiah 40:8</p>	



Serving Jesus by serving the least (based on Matthew 25:40)

Our purpose is to address the immediate, one-time hardships of people living in Cherokee County, specifically with essential, necessary expenses. We also work with similar organizations in Cherokee County or the larger community.

Requests for Assistance

22-23 fiscal year-to-date we have had 17 requests for assistance

6 have been approved – 4 for utilities and 2 for rent assistance

Remaining 11 requests – 3 were referred out to other services, 8 have either not responded after receiving the application form, or provided incomplete documentation.

We have fully disbursed our FY22-23 budget of \$2,500, as well as \$928.93 of our '17' account. (The '17' account's beginning balance was \$1,983, the current balance is \$1,054.07, to be used on any additional approved requests for assistance through 6/30/23.)

2022 Angel Tree Recap

Because of you... We were able to adopt 10 seniors for Christmas as well as provide crucial support to the Foster Care Foundation and the Cherokee County Family Violence Center. Thank you for your generosity!

SAVE THE DATE

Souper Bowl Sunday is 2/12/23 – Be sure to pick up cans of soup and boxes of crackers to bring in for the food bank on Super Bowl Sunday – it's not too far away! ***Thank you for your support.***

***No matter who plays the game,
let's make it a win for those we serve
at the food bank.***



***Thank you for supporting
the Angel Tree –***



The Atlanta Community Food Bank Hunger Walk Run event is Sunday, 3/12/23, noon – 4pm. Registration is now open if you are interested in participating. You may also make donations at their website: http://engage.acfb.org/site/TR?fr_id=2124&pg=entry.

Tornado Response

You have heard about the January 12 tornadoes in Griffin and Austell. Pastor Joe Warnke has passed along that thankfully, our sister congregation Christ Our Savior in Griffin experienced no damage, and all the members homes were spared as well. BUT – 2100 homes in the area were damaged by the storms, and 100 were completely destroyed.

The FL-GA District disaster response group is making plans to help in Selma, AL., but as yet no help is planned to provide aid in Griffin/Spalding County.

An EMA Tornado Relief Hotline has been established to receive requests for help and coordinate responses.

Assistance needed at this time:

Debris removal, chainsaw work, tarping roofs

Distribution center workers: receiving/collecting/processing/distributing donations

Call center – answering telephones.

IF you feel called to help, the hotline phone number is 678.453.4503

If you want to work with the District folks, watch for news and announcements from Don Snyder and Jim Taylor. They will be receiving updates on plans and will pass that information along to the congregation.

SIDE NOTE: Pastor Warnke was baptized here at Timothy. His family was active in the late 80s, early 90s. He reports that his parents are well and still living in Georgia.

If you have any questions,
contact

Jim Taylor or Don Snyder

Souper Bowl Sunday
Sunday, 2/12/2023



*Share the warmth & comfort
of hot soup and crackers!*

*Bring cans of soup & boxes of crackers
for the food bank on Super Bowl Sunday*



A Stewardship Prayer:

“This is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more...so that you may be...filled with the fruit of righteousness...” (Philippians 1:9,10)

Stewardship is giving and helping and doing acts of service, but, far beyond that, it is being. Being children of God makes us His stewards. If we never do a single deed, we are still stewards, just not stewards who please God.

We do not choose to be stewards, and, on our own, we can do nothing to please God. It is only through faith that our good deeds are acceptable to Him and only when they are done out of love in response to the love He has first shown us.

This is why the Apostle Paul prays that our love may abound more and more, but he is writing about love based on “knowledge and depth of insight.” This is love with strength, love that keeps us faithful, not only to do the tasks God places before us, but also love to discern the best way to accomplish His will. This is God’s love that is ours through His Son Jesus who showed us what love is. This is love that His Holy Spirit matures in us through Word and Sacrament that we might be about our Father’s business. This is love that “fill{s us} with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ.” This is love that redounds “to the glory and praise of God” (Philippians 1:9,10). This is love that bears “fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God” (Colossians 1:10). This is love that enables us to give it all we’ve got “being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might.” (Colossians 1:11).

PRAYER: Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Word for it is the power of salvation for all who believe. Through Your Word we are enabled to love even as You have loved. Through Jesus, Your Son. Amen.



LADIES LUNCH BUNCH will meet on February 28. Watch Timothy Take-Out for details!



TLC Food Bank Ministry Board (Timothy's Cupboard) – February 2023

TLC Food Bank Ministry Board met earlier in January to develop objectives and plans for 2023. We also discussed potential equipment needs (or replacement), improved signage, weather-proof storage shed (to store non-perishable items), and are developing a prioritized list of maintenance items for the food bank building. Timothy's Cupboard continues to evaluate the feasibility to migrate the client hard copy files to digital format by the end of the year.

Christina Herndon (volunteer to track and monitor grants) is actively seeking out opportunities for Timothy's Cupboard to apply for grants.

Take time to checkout Timothy's Cupboard FaceBook social media page and post your comments:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100088586526919>

The table below highlight the 2016 - 2022 food distribution results through the month of December (for the full year). The year (2022) tracked slightly higher than 2021; but still far below the performance of any year between 2018 and 2020. This year's results are about 65% of any of those years.

Timothy's Cupboard							
Food Distribution							
2016 through 2022 Comparisons							
Period	Number of Families Fed	Number of Persons Fed	Number of Children Fed	Number of Seniors Fed	Pounds of Food Distribution	Average Pounds per Family	Average Pounds per Person
2022 YTD (Dec)	1,883	7,325	2,130	1,063	443,798	236	61
2021 YTD (Dec)	1,638	6,952	1,655	779	409,595	250	59
2020 YTD (Dec)	2,434	10,075	3,320	1,210	622,049	256	62
2019 YTD (Dec)	3,079	10,114	3,016	1,671	642,789	209	64
2018 YTD (Dec)	3,052	13,480	3,417	1,878	620,023	203	46
2017 YTD (Dec)	3,005	10,792	3,387	1,154	420,043	133	39
2016 YTD (Dec)	3,140	11,927	3,706	1,277	410,662	131	34
2022 (extrapolated)	1,883	7,325	2,130	1,063	443,798	236	61
2021 (Full Year)	1,638	6,952	1,655	779	409,595	250	59
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We need volunteers Monday through Friday (come every day or just one day a week). We are physically wearing out the few dedicated volunteers that we currently have. Any questions – please contact Vanessa Henning / Steve Knothe to let us know how/when you can help.

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS?

Volunteers are needed for various tasks at Timothy's Cupboard. Can you help out with any of the following???

Monday	Make GNAP ad USDA Bags Sort Fruit / vegetables bags	2 hours 3 hours
Tuesday	Make Sweet boxes Help lift heavy boxes into client's vehicle	2 hours 2 - 3 hours
Wednesday	Make GNAP ad USDA Bags, as/if needed Sort Fruit / vegetables bags	2 hours 3 hours
Thursday	Make Sweet boxes Help lift heavy boxes into client's vehicle	2 hours 2 - 3 hours
Friday	Sort, label and store ACFB delivery items	3 hours as needed

FEBRUARY 2023 FOOD ITEMS NEEDED FOR TIMOTHY'S CUPBOARD

While canned goods and non-perishable food donations to Timothy's Cupboard are always appreciated, there are a few common items that are not readily available on the ACFB inventory for us to purchase:

Canned fruit: (15 to 29 oz preferred)

Canned vegetables: standard can size – green beans corn and peas are mostly needed

Baking goods (flour, sugar) – up to 5# bags

Jelly

Peanut butter

Pancake syrup

Spaghetti sauce

Please place your donations in the food barrel in church.

DONATE FOR LENT

Each week of Lent

Week 1—Feb. 22	Pancake Mix & Syrup
Week 2—March 1	Peanut butter & Jelly
Week 3 March 8	Peas & Carrots
Week 4 March 15	Instant Mashed potatoes and gravy
Week 5—March 22	Green Beans & Corn
Week 6—March 29	Canned Tomatoes &/or tomato sauce.

Habitat Build – 2023

The Lutheran Coalition for Habitat will be working on their 35th house this spring with another one in the fall. Through funds raised this past year the Coalition has given \$35,000 to North Central Georgia Habitat affiliate and we will be building at 5372 Woodstock Rd, Acworth starting March 18 (see schedule below). The work scheduling process has changed this year where we will have opportunities to build every workday but with a limited number of volunteers for each day as shown. You should also bring your own lunch and water will be provided. Tools that are needed will be provided by Habitat. You must register beforehand and the link to register will be provided as soon as it is available. Also below is the family profile that we will be building for.

This fall we will also be building a home with the NW Metro Atlanta Habitat affiliate which the Coalition has also donated \$35,000 to. This home is expected to be in Marietta but is not fully defined yet. We will pass on the information as soon as it is available. Please feel free to contact Don Snyder with any questions at 770-337-5908 - dongsnyder@gmail.com or Mike Lawson 770-776-7367 – mikemijalawson@yahoo.com.

Cherokee Build		
Address: 5372 Woodstock Rd, Acworth, GA 30102		
Date	Task	# Volunteers Needed
3/18/23	First Nail	12
3/25/23	First Floor Walls	10
4/15/23	Siding	8
4/22/23	Siding/Paint	8
4/29/23	Siding/Paint	8
5/6/23	Inside Paint I	8
5/13/23	Inside Paint II	8
5/20/23	Pre-Landscape	6
6/3/23	Landscape	7
6/17/23	Dedication--Everyone invited	

Pierre Family Profile

Five years ago, Sorayah Pierre decided to move to the Atlanta area with hopes of changing her life overall for the better. She was living in Miami away from family with no stable home, limited resources and even less direction. Sorayah knew there was more intended for her life and was determined to explore every possibility God would provide. Upon moving to Atlanta, she was able to find a great job with a wonderful company that has blossomed into a career path for the last four years. She has worked hard to establish her career and to help take on family responsibilities.

Coming from a large household, family has always been a core value for Sorayah. When the situation arose to care for her 69-year-old mother Suzette and younger sister Malaikah, she gladly accepted. Suzette has limited mobility due to damage caused by three strokes. Thank God she was able to recover but she can no longer live on her own and requires assistance. Sorayah is also looking after Malaikah who suffers from a mental disability. She was diagnosed at 16 and it's been an uphill battle for her and the family since then. The two women have had an incredible bond since their childhood which sustains their relationship when things get tough. The hope is for Malaikah to gain stability and return to college soon.



YOUTH GROUP

Join us for Youth Sunday School every Sunday at 9:45. The classes are for the whole family AND they are FUN!



Join us on Saturday, February 11th, 3pm for a craft day. We will be making wooden people sets. \$15 covers all instruction and materials. Snacks will be served. This is sure to be an afternoon of fun!!

Sign up on the church bulletin board before February 5th.

Contact Kim Howe with any questions (kimhowe82@gmail.com)



Fellowship



Second Sunday Potluck – Our noon potluck is changing to the second Sunday of every month. Join us after second service on Sunday, February 12th for fellowship and lunch. Since it is Super Bowl Sunday, bring a soup, side or dessert to share!

Lenten Dinners will be held every Wednesday during Lent, starting on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd. Dinner will be served at 6 pm, the evening church service begins 7 pm.

Sign-up sheets are posted on church bulletin board.



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What Is Lent All About, and Why Is It Important?

Have you ever wondered what people are talking about when they say they're giving something up for Lent? Do you want to understand what Lent is and how it relates to Easter?

Lent is the 40 days (not including Sundays) from Ash Wednesday to the Saturday before Easter. Lent is often described as a time of preparation and an opportunity to go deeper with God. This means that it's a time for personal reflection that prepares people's hearts and minds for Good Friday and Easter.

What Are the Key Days During Lent?

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. You may have noticed people with a smudged, black cross on their foreheads. Those are ashes from the Ash Wednesday service. The ashes symbolize our grief for the things we've done wrong and the resulting division of imperfect people from a perfect God.

Maundy Thursday is the day before Good Friday. It commemorates the night before Jesus died, when He shared the Passover meal with His closest friends and followers.

Good Friday is the day Christians remember Jesus' death. The "Good" reflects how Jesus' death was a sacrifice on our behalf so we can receive God's forgiveness for our wrongs, or sins.

Easter Sunday is the joyful celebration of Jesus rising from the dead to give us the opportunity of eternal life. While people still die, Jesus made the way for people to have a relationship with God in this life and to spend eternity with Him in heaven.

What Happens During Lent and Why?

The three main things people focus on during Lent are prayer, [fasting](#) (abstaining from something to reduce distractions and focus more on God) and giving, or charity.

[Prayer](#) during Lent focuses on our need for God's forgiveness. It's also about repenting (turning away from our sins) and receiving God's mercy and love.

[Fasting](#), or giving something up, is a very common practice during Lent. The idea is that giving up something that's a regular part of life, like eating dessert or scrolling through Facebook, can be a reminder of Jesus' sacrifice. That time can also be replaced with more time connecting with God.

Giving money or doing something good for others is a way to respond to [God's grace](#), generosity and love. For example, some people spend time volunteering or donate money they would normally use to buy something, like their morning coffee.

It's important to note that doing these things can never make us earn or deserve Jesus' sacrifice or a relationship with God. People are flawed and will never be good enough for a perfect God. Only Jesus has the power to [rescue us](#) from ourselves.

Jesus sacrificed Himself on Good Friday to bear the punishment for all our wrongdoings and offer us forgiveness. He was raised from the dead on Easter Sunday to give us an opportunity to have a relationship with God for eternity.

Spending time during Lent praying, fasting and giving can make [Jesus' sacrifice on Good Friday and His resurrection on Easter](#) even more meaningful.



FEBRUARY
BIRTHDAYS

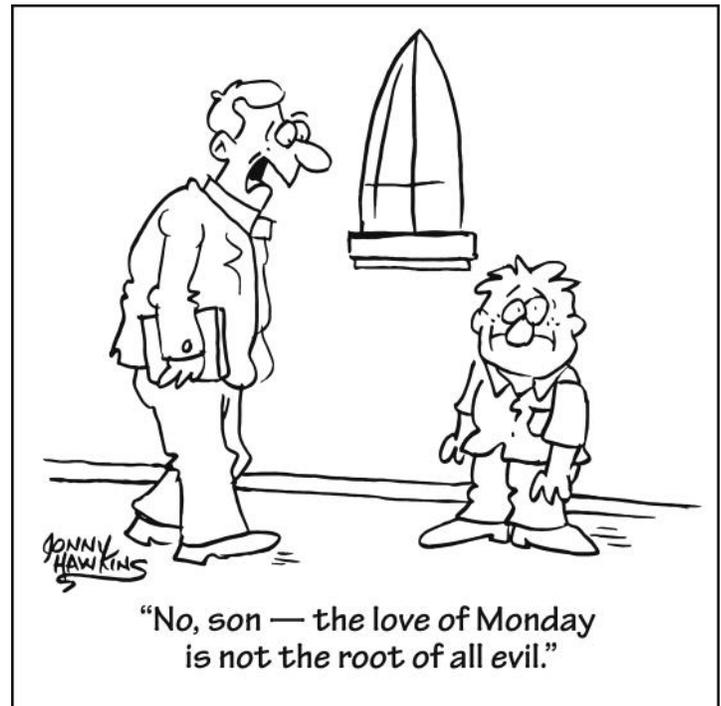


FEBRUARY
ANNIVERSARIES

2/5

2/2 Shirley Burmeister
 2/2 Annie Morrison
 2/2 Markham Peykoff
 2/4 John Turner
 2/5 Hadley Hooks
 2/5 Maureen Dicks
 2/6 A J Lyons
 2/9 Jared Hopewell
 2/9 Leonard Rittenhouse
 2/9 Chris Townsend
 2/10 Cyndy Ganschow
 2/13 Laura Hilyard
 2/15 Holly Walker
 2/18 Lindsey Young
 2/20 Daniel Jenkins
 2/21 Mary Huguenard
 2/22 Susan Plunkett
 2/24 Christine Ericksen
 2/26 Alexis Wemmer

Wallace & Roxanne Kelly
 2/14 Bob & Casey Lovell
 2/14— Paul & Margaret Cehamovich
 2/16 Jennifer & Brian Greenblat
 2.29 Larry & Patti Kastens



Through the centuries [people] have displayed many different symbols to show that they are Christians. They have worn crosses in the lapels of their coats, hung chains about their necks, even had special haircuts. Of course, there is nothing intrinsically wrong with any of this, if one feels it is [one’s] calling. But there is a much better sign, a universal mark that is to last through all the ages of the church until Jesus comes back. ...

Love — and the unity it attests to — is the mark Christ gave Christians to wear before the world. Only with this mark may the world know that Christians are indeed Christians and that Jesus was sent by the Father.

—Francis Schaeffer

February

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

5

Read
Psalm 25:10.
Share the verse you
are memorizing on
social media.

6

Read
Hebrews 10:23.
Discuss what you have
learned from your
memory verse this week.

7

Read
Psalm 33:4.
Pick a verse from this
week to memorize.

8

Read
Galatians 5:5.
Write out the verse you
are memorizing.

9

Read
Psalm 57:10.
Use the verse you are
memorizing as a prayer.

10

Read
Ephesians 2:8-9.
Share the verse you are
memorizing with a friend or
family member.

11

Read
Isaiah 25:1.
Share the verse you
are memorizing on
social media.

12

Read
Romans 10:17.
Discuss what you have
learned from your
memory verse this week.

13

Read
1 John 1:9.
Pick a verse from this
week to memorize.

14

Read
Psalm 86:15.
Write out the verse you
are memorizing.

15

Read
2 Thessalonians 3:3.
Use the verse you are
memorizing as a prayer.

16

Read
1 Peter 1:8-9.
Share the verse you are
memorizing with a friend
or family member.

17

Read
1 Corinthians 16:13-14.
Share the verse you
are memorizing on
social media.

18

Read
Ephesians 6:16.
Discuss what you have
learned from your
memory verse this week.

19

Read
Psalm 100:5.
Pick a verse from this
week to memorize.

20

Read
James 1:2-3.
Write out the verse you
are memorizing.

21

Read
Lamentations 3:22-24.
Use the verse you are
memorizing as a prayer.

22

Read
Deuteronomy 7:9.
Share the verse you are
memorizing with a friend
or family member.

23

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Romans 5:1.
Share the verse you are
memorizing on social
media.

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Read
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24.
Discuss what you have
learned from your
memory verse this week.

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Read
Psalm 40:11.
Pick a verse from the next
week to memorize.

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Read
Galatians 2:20.
Write out the verse you
are memorizing.

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Read
2 Corinthians 5:6-7.
Share the verse you are
memorizing with a friend
or family member.

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Read
Hebrews 11:3.
Discuss what you have
learned from your
memory verse this week.