

Sunday, March 4th

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**

Readings: Genesis 17; Psalm 22; Romans 4; Mark 8:31-38

Prayer List

Please note the names of people needing prayer who were named in church last Sunday:

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| Steven Stroupe | Claude | Sterling Bullock |
| Diane Bacon | Billy Hawthorne | Bertha Arthur |
| Elizabeth Reese | Virginia and Vernon Gee | the unemployed |
| Martha G. White | David Jones and family | Elaine Wright |
| Louise Ogburn | Allen Alcock and family | Bobby Seamster |
| James White | Don Accord and family | Doug Poole |
| Frances Bell | Brad and Laurie Morris | Phyllis Forbes |
| Kathy Ashworth | David Cook and family | Junior McHenry |
| Phyllis Forbes | Tom Tanner | W. T. Reams |
| Kevin Thompson | Elizabeth Barker | Steve Wagner |
| Gunay Smith | Jerry Davidson | Emmett Williams |
| The family of Betty Quinn | Linda and Jerry Luff | Karen Krotzer |
| Tad Book | Betty Thompson | Virginia Overby |
| Layton Powell | Scott Carter | Judy Sites |
| Frances Seamans | Otha Wilkins | Joni, Kendall, and Anthony Newcomb |
| Kathy McReynolds | Carrie Stostetter | Buddy Clark |
| Dale | Hilda Ozlin | Wayne Grant |
| Drew | Michelle Honeycutt | Cynthia Peebles |
| Susan Murray | Grace Marshall | Lynn Riley |
| Frank Large and family | Jo Ann Vansickle | Wendy Burnette |
| Sheila Cage | Edith Hite | Edith Tanner |
| Tommy Cage | Danny Bagley | Barbara Callis |
| Edith Umberger | Judi Keehan | Charlie Pearce |
| Frances Hawthorne | The family of Mary | Alma Wallace |
| Elizabeth Crowder | Leigh Boisseau | Leslie Walter |
| | Edna Bagley | |
| | Wayne Hendricks | |

Others I would like to pray for:

Transformation Journal

February 26, 2012



Inviting you to daily time with God.

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

Sunday, February 26th

Sermon Notes:

Read Deuteronomy 8. After forty years of relying on God for all their needs, why do you think the Israelites needed this reminder? Have you been transformed by the times in your life when you had to rely on God? Do you remember God when you feel self-sufficient?
Prayer focus: Pray that God would work in our church that we might look to God and rely on God’s presence with us.

Monday, February 27th

Read Mark 1:9-15. Jesus' wilderness time prepared him to enter into the ministry that God had for him. How have the hard times of your life especially equipped you to reach out?

Prayer focus: Pray for Pastor Andrew and his family, that they would be equipped by God in whatever ways are necessary.

Tuesday, February 28th

Read Matthew 4:1-11. Satan's attacks often come when we are at our weakest (physically, emotionally or mentally). When are you most vulnerable to Satan's temptations? How can you best be prepared?

Prayer focus: Pray for church plants, Journey UMC and the Stand UMC, that they would resist the temptation to compromise the Gospel.

Wednesday, February 29th

Read Hebrews 3:7-19. The Israelites were in the wilderness forty years where God was with them, yet they still hardened their hearts. How can you ensure that you grow from your wilderness times?

Prayer focus: Pray for a peaceful resolution to the nuclear situation with Iran. Pray for the people of Iran to encounter Christ.

Thursday, March 1st

Read Mark 8:31-33. Satan likes to tempt us to believe that we can avoid the cross and still attain all that God wants for us. How have you been tempted to take the easy road?

Prayer focus: Pray for Charis Storms that she would stand firm against the temptations of the Evil One.

Friday, March 2nd

Read 1 Kings 19:1-18. After fasting forty days, Elijah encountered God in a way he had not expected. Are you interested in encountering God in new ways? Are you willing to fast if it will help you encounter God?

Prayer focus: Pray for the people of Syria as the country continues in a time of unrest and the government arrests and kills protestors.

Saturday, March 3rd

Read Matthew 6:1-21. Are you tempted to parade your Lenten disciplines before others? Why? How can you live out your disciplines in a way that they can be between you and God?

Prayer focus: Pray that the people of France and Germany, that they would seek and find God during this season of Lent.
