

Sunday, March 11th

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: Exodus 20; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Prayer List

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

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| Steven Stroupe | Danny Bagley | Frances Bacon |
| Diane Bacon | Kevin Thompson | Phyllis Forbes and family |
| Elizabeth Reese | Tommy Cage | Junior McHenry |
| Martha G. White | Mae Overby | Neil Jones and family |
| Young Jin Cho | The family of Patsy Boswell | Wendy Wright |
| Tom Tanner | Alicia Clary | Edna Bagley |
| Elizabeth Barker | Mary Ann Cundiff | Jeff Hendricks |
| Jerry Davidson | Maude Tudor | Mary Ann Menoche |
| Linda Luff | Edith Tanner | Bertha Arthur |
| Rose Price | Barbara Callis | Virginia Overby |
| Scott Carter | Edith Parham | Stuart Wood |
| Carrie Stostetter | Renee Barnes | Harold Springer |
| Otha Wilkins | Elaine Wright | Tim Morris |
| Betty Thompson | Wayne Grant | Helen Simmons |
| Christie Hales | Bobby Seamster | Jimmy Chumney |
| Louise Ogburn | | |

Others I would like to pray for:

Transformation Journal

March 4, 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, March 4th

Sermon Notes:

Read Romans 4:13-25. How foolish would Abraham’s faith have seemed to an onlooker during the decades he waited for God to allow them to conceive Isaac? Are you willing to look foolish to the world in order to live out your faith?

Prayer focus: Pray that God would work in our church so that our only concern would be faithfulness to God.

Monday, March 5th

Read Mark 8:31-38. Does your life look more like “take up your cross and follow me” or like someone trying “to gain the whole world” at the cost of your soul? How can you set your mind on divine things?

Prayer focus: Pray for Pastor Andrew and his family, that they would have their minds set on divine things and not on human things.

Tuesday, March 6th

Read Genesis 18:1-15. How would you respond if God were to tell you that God was going to do something “impossible” in your life? What “impossible” things do you think God might want to do through you?

Prayer focus: Pray for church plants, Journey UMC and the Stand UMC, that they would be vessels for God to do the impossible.

Wednesday, March 7th

Read James 3:13-18. In which category would you place the “wisdom” that is common in the world today? Do you buy into these kinds of wisdom that are focused on selfish ambition? Why or why not?

Prayer focus: Pray for the communities across the central United States that have been struck by violent weather in the recent weeks.

Thursday, March 8th

Read Hebrews 11:23-28. Moses was willing to give up riches, wealth and power in order to follow God. What are you willing ‘foolishly’ to give up in order to follow God?

Prayer focus: Pray for Charis Storms that she would be filled with the godly wisdom that looks foolish to the world.

Friday, March 9th

Read Mark 10:35-45. The perspective of this world is to seek power, but Jesus invites his followers to serve rather than seek power. Are you willing to follow Jesus’ ‘foolish’ command? How will you do it?

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 10th

Read Luke 12:13-21. Someone this world would consider a wise man, Jesus refers to as a “fool.” Why? How does this passage inform how you handle your finances?

Prayer focus: Pray that the people of Andorra, Austria, Liechtenstein, Monaco, San Marino, and Switzerland, would be fools for Christ.
